

November 14 – November 20, 2022

Dear Lourdes Families,

Please read the letter at the end of this document regarding TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT. Although you should have received an email and hard copies, we want to make sure everyone has the opportunity to apply for these funds.



Construction and Steering Committee Update

[Visions For Our Future
Planning Study Executive Summary](#)

[Receptionist and Administrative Assistant for Immigration Position](#)

Mass is held each Wednesday at 9:00 AM.

Parents in Prayer- Meets Wednesdays before Mass (8:30-9:00) in the Mary Chapel to pray the rosary and lift up the intentions of our Lourdes school, church community and families. Please join us weekly or drop in when you can! Prayer warriors of all ages are welcome, including kids! Any questions: Call or text, Andrea Reilly 704-975-5130.

Please take a few minutes as a family to reflect upon this week's scripture verse for November 20, 2022:

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." ~Luke 23:42-43

Have a faith-filled week!



Season's greetings everyone!!

I can't tell you how much I love this time of year! Good food, great music, and a sense of joy that we get from celebrating the birth of our Savior- it's my favorite!

The students have been HARD at work for their Christmas programs, and I wanted to communicate the dates to you! Our programs will look a little different than they have in years past, and I hope you enjoy them!

December 6th - The Littlest Angel Choir- A Christmas Musical! 🙌

Christmas Day is almost here! The choir has been practicing, the drama team has been learning their lines, the musicians have been rehearsing - all in preparation for the big Christmas Pageant. But the littlest voices in the congregation are feeling a bit left out. They aren't quite sure where they are supposed to fit in.

Sometimes, though, no matter how well you've planned for something, life can throw you a few curves. As it turns out, the music director is stuck at an airport because of bad weather. The sets and costumes for the Christmas play are back-ordered and won't arrive in time. And to top it all off, the pastor has come down with laryngitis! What else could possibly go wrong?!

It's up to the congregation's youngest members to figure out a way to save the day. Along the way, they learn that Christmas is about one thing and one thing only - the birth of Jesus. Watch as The Littlest Angel Choir delivers the message of Christ's birth in the most humble and innocent of ways.

* K-5 General Music students required- 6-8th grade students are highly encouraged to participate as well this year!

*Auditions went SPLENDIDLY this week, and I am so proud of the students' efforts! Scripts will go home next week.

*Costumes- Christmas best for all students except Angel Choir and Nativity Scene members- Special instructions will be sent home for them.

***Practices are occurring during their music classes- no outside time will be needed!**

**December 20th- Beginning Band, Middle School Band, and 5-8 Choir Concert
Please join our music department as they present their Christmas concert on December 20th.**

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, and I'm wishing you all the Merriest of Christmases! 🎄

Mrs. Freemyer

WEEKLY CALENDAR November 14 - 18

Monday, Nov. 14th

Toys for Tots Drive this week! Please bring in new toys to donate

Tuesday, Nov. 15th

SCRIP for sale

10:30-2:15 PM 8th grade Shadow at AHS

3:30 PM Employee Benefit Open Enrollment Meeting

3:30 PM St. Nick's wrapping party, Gathering Space

3:30 PM Lego Robotics – Blue

6:00 PM Board of Education Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 16th

9:00 AM All School Mass

2:30 PM K-8 Early Dismissal

6:30-8:00 PM 1st Reconciliation Workshop

Thursday, Nov. 17th

3:30 PM Lego Robotics - Red

Friday, Nov. 18th

SCRIP for sale

Mock Trial Competition @ St. Ambrose all day

Looking further ahead...

November 21 & 22 Preschool/PreK No School ~ Conferences

November 23, 24, and 25 - Thanksgiving Vacation - NO SCHOOL

December 21 - Christmas Vacation Starts

Hello **K-8** Parents,

If your child is a car rider, and your family lives within an Iowa school district's boundaries, you are eligible for transportation reimbursement. Students who reside within BCSD **are now** eligible for transportation reimbursement because BCSD no longer provides bussing to Lourdes students. If you live over 2 miles from Lourdes in the Bettendorf School District you are eligible through BCSD.

[Bettendorf \(BCSD\)](#), [Pleasant Valley \(PV\)](#), [Davenport \(DCSD\)](#), and [North Scott](#) forms are provided at each of the links above. You may print the form out for the school district within whose boundaries you live, and send it in to the address at the bottom of your form as soon as you can. You can also email a copy to the appropriate school district. The contact information can be found at the bottom of each form.

December 1 is the hard deadline for the first semester, and we know from experience that the school districts do not make any exceptions.

Typically, a check for around \$400 per child will arrive over the summer, if you have filed the form **twice**. The second semester due date is **May 1**.

Please do not mail or send your form to Lourdes. They must be sent to the appropriate school district.

Respectfully,

Mr. Michael Hughes



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Any questions? Email Kate at katie.greg@gmail.com or Ryan at LourdesWermesFamily@gmail.com

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Hello to all our Lourdes Families,

I am writing this letter to seek out new volunteers. We need volunteers!!! A small private school like ours is successful because people are willing to give of their time and talents. This can be a once a year involvement, a monthly or a weekly one. We have so many ways people can help make our community great!! Anytime anyone is entering the school or helping with youth events they need to be virtue certified. Please reach out to Katherine Wermes if you need this or are unsure about your status (it needs to be refreshed from time to time).

katherine.wermes@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us

I'm sure you have seen the emails or posting about helping at recess or lunch. That is one area that is an ongoing need, but you can choose to do it just once or maybe once a month, whatever works for you! It can also be a very rewarding way to volunteer!

Another need is to help organize or assist with the many "fun" events we have for our community, such as book fairs, trunk or treat, trivia, St Nick's shop, Catholic Schools Week, middle school events, end of the year picnic, and a big one being Starry Night.

Starry Night is our one main big fundraiser for the school held once a year in the spring where we raise money for the following year. This allows us to buy new computers, items to enrich curriculum and things students need to make their learning a success. Yes things are in the works for a new school, however, the need is still present to raise funds for items we can use now and take with us to a new physical location. There have been several people who have worked on this event for many years. I am one, along with many many others. We are needing more people to help with this event. We want input and help in many different areas. If you feel like this is something you could help with please reach out or attend a brainstorming idea meeting Monday November 21st 6PM in the Lourdes art room.

I'm writing this to be one point of contact for questions or ideas. Three other people are our Home & School volunteer coordinators: Linda Mosher dolphinlinda@hotmail.com Karen Moldt pkmoldt@msn.com and Erin Emerle erindunn78@gmail.com

Thank you for helping to make our community a strong one!

Brooke Heckinger

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