



May 13, 2024

Dear Lourdes Families,

Good morning! I hope everyone enjoyed the beautiful weekend. I'm excited to start our week with the hopes we can keep our students engaged during these final 13 days of school.

May is a busy month with a lot of celebrating. A huge thank you to Home and School for sponsoring Mornings with Mom and also a week of treats to celebrate the teachers with Teacher Appreciation. Thank you to all of our families for the time you took to join in these celebrations or to provide treats to celebrate.

Last week the Stopulous boys were Principals for the Day and we had a great time! We even drove out to check on the construction site for our new school. Father Jason joined us. Here's a picture:



8th Grade Graduation

Date: Wednesday, May 29th at 6:00 PM

Location: Church

Student Arrival Time: The students need to be in the cafeteria at 5:45 PM

Attire: Students should be in Sunday Best. The boys should wear dress pants and a dress shirt or polo shirt. The girls should wear either dress pants/nice shirt or a dress.

Events: Mass @ 6:00 PM, the graduation portion with diplomas and awards will immediately follow Mass.

Reception: There will be a reception in the gym following the graduation ceremony.

[Pennies for Peru](#)

Our sister parish in Peru is in need of our support! They are working hard to complete a much-needed sidewalk project. Their goal to complete this project is \$1700. This is a very impoverished parish, yet these brothers and sisters of ours always find a way to donate to even less fortunate people in the area. Let's bless them by helping to complete the sidewalk project and provide aid to the poor. Our annual "Pennies For Peru" collection will be the week of May 13-17. Jars will be placed in each classroom for the children to fill up! Please consider donating what you can to this ministry. Thank you and God bless you.

[Drinks at drop-off](#)

I'd like to ask that students finish breakfast and drinks before they are dropped off to school. Please do not send your child with a special Starbucks or Atomic drink to school at drop off.

[Groundbreaking](#)

All K-8 students, teachers, staff will attend this field trip. We will attend mass at Lourdes, take a restroom break and load buses to get to the construction site in time for the event to begin. A permission slip was sent home last week. I'll share more details in next week's Principal's Post.

[7th grade families: Help needed!](#)

Hello, 7th grade families-

It is a tradition at LCS for the 7th grade families/students to help plan, set-up, serve, and clean-up after the 8th grade graduation reception in the LCS gym. Andrea Reilly and I will be coordinating efforts for this year's reception.

GRADUATION DATE: Wednesday, May 29th

SET-UP: 2:30 PM-3:30 PM - LCS Gym

SERVE: 6:30-8 PM - LCS Gym (Graduation is at 6PM and the reception will immediately follow in the gym around 7PM).

CLEAN-UP: 7:45 PM - end time is dependent upon when people leave the reception that evening.

Please view the sign-up - if you are able to donate an item and/or your time, that would be great. Thank you for your support! I can't believe we almost have 8th graders!

[LCS 8th Grade Graduation Reception | Volunteer/Donate](#)

Please reach out with any questions.

Thanks!

Jenny Grobstich & Andrea Reilly

[Mornings with Moms](#)

Thank you to Home and School for sponsoring the event, for the dads who served breakfast and for the moms who attended to share the special morning. A big thank you to Fareway in LeClaire for the enormous donation made of the delicious bakery items.

[Box Tops for Education](#)

Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way to support Lourdes Catholic School. Here's how you can help: (1) **Download the Box Tops for Education app** and sign up using referral code E8LR2FTD for our school to earn Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt. (2) **Scan your receipts** with the Box Tops app within 14 days of purchase. You'll earn for LCS with every Box Tops product you buy. (3) **Refer your friends**, family and other parents in the school to download the app. You can invite them through the app and you'll get Bonus Box Tops for our school with each referral that successfully scans their first receipt!

['24-'25 School Supplies](#)

We have had a big response to this already! The BEST (and most convenient) way to buy school supplies for next year is with our partner, 1st Day School Supplies. *You buy the supplies and get school shopping done, the school gets a portion of the proceeds!* The supplies get shipped to the school prior to next year and they get distributed to your child's classroom so you don't even need to carry them in to Unpack the Backpack. Click [here](#) to order.

[Vacation Bible School!!!!](#)



Get ready to plunge into a thrilling undersea adventure at Scuba VBS! Discover the never-ending love of God in an ocean of faith, friendship, and fun. Kids will explore exciting Bible stories that come to life beneath the waves and they'll find out what it truly means to be refreshed by the living water of God's love. Join us for a splashing good time!

Save these dates: July 8-11th from 8:30-11:30am

Open to all Pre-k 3 year olds - 4th graders (2023-24 school year)

Registration will open soon!

[Outreach Opportunity](#)

Once again the Outreach Committee is providing hungry families in our community with a basket full of nutritious meals. Help is needed with food donations, packing, and delivering the baskets. Please use this link to sign up to help in any way:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054FA4AD28A1F85-49298473-may2024>

Food may be left in the Gathering Space beginning Saturday, May 11th. **All food is needed by 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 18th for sorting and delivery.** If you prefer, drop off a check (please write "Outreach" in the memo) in the Parish Office. Scrip will be purchased and the shopping will be done for you—this also benefits Lourdes Catholic School! Another option is to purchase Scrip after Mass and place the gift cards in the 'Neighbors in Need' box in the Gathering Space. Of course, monetary donations are always welcome and may be placed in the box any time. Questions? Please call Angie Joers (563-505-5629) or Kelly Rashid (563-340-5619). Thank you for your generosity!

[Summer Care](#)

[2024 Lourdes Summer Registration](#)

Enrollment is open for Lourdes Summer child care program. Our summer program is open from Monday - Friday, 7am-5:30pm, unless noted otherwise. During the summer the children will enjoy plenty of outdoor activities, sprinkler days, as well as field trips. Please forward your completed registration forms to [Beth Giese](#) or the school office.

[Classroom Request](#)

Classroom Request forms are available in the school office. They must be turned in to the school office by May 24, 2024. Emails, personal conversations, and phone messages will not serve as a formal request and will not be considered.

[Assumption Sports and Activities](#)

[Boys Basketball Camp](#)

[Registration Information](#)

Rising Knights Football Camp

[Registration Information](#)

[8th Grade Lifting for Current 8th Graders](#)

My name is Nate Gilbraith, I am the new Head Football Coach at Assumption High School. Starting in April and going through May, I am offering 8th Grade Lifting for the current 8th Graders, for both boys and girls. This will take place Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM. More information is attached to this note.

[ESA](#)

Iowa's Students First Education Savings Account (ESA) application for the 2024-25 school year is open and available NOW in your [Odyssey Portal!](#) **Applications are REQUIRED to be completed ANNUALLY to verify student eligibility through confirmation of Iowa residency.** If you are Iowa residents please complete this ASAP! Don't lose out on funds for this next school year! If you are a parent of a Kindergarten or 1st grade student who resides in Iowa, your child automatically qualifies for the ESA funds, regardless of income.

Make sure if you have been approved, you follow up and choose Lourdes Catholic School so we have the ability to bill your account for next year's tuition.

Please review additional information [here](#).

['24-'25 Registration](#)

If you still need to pay registration fees for the 2024-2025 school year, please click on this link:
<https://bngn.blackbaud.school/?id=c00dxz45rwk>

[St. Joan of Arc Catholic School Groundbreaking](#)
[May 29th](#)



You're Invited!
GROUNDBREAKING

Join us as we celebrate the groundbreaking
of St. Joan of Arc Catholic School!

WEDNESDAY MAY 29, 2024
AT 10:30 AM



ST. JOAN OF ARC
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

6900 HOPEWELL AVE. BETTENDORF, IA 52722

[2024-2025 Lourdes Catholic School Available positions](#)

Current job postings below:

[Spanish Teacher, K-8](#)

Must have Iowa certification and K-8 Spanish endorsement.

Elementary Classroom Teacher, grade 4

Must have Iowa certification and K-6 Teacher Elementary Classroom endorsement.

Middle School/Grade 6 Classroom Teacher for ELA and Math

Must have Iowa certification and either K-6 Teacher Elementary Classroom endorsement or K-8 English/Language Arts Endorsement

Teacher's Aide

BA, BS, AA or AAS degree or 60 hours of post-secondary credit leading to a degree required; Paraeducator Certification preferred

Librarian

BA or BS in education-related fields preferred. Prior library experience and education-related experience preferred.

Applicants should email resume and letter of interest to Mrs. Katie Selden, Principal (katie.selden@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us)

[Volunteer Opportunities and Sign-ups](#)

- ★ Middle School Service Learning Opportunities [sign-up](#)
- ★ Morning Greeter Volunteer [sign-up](#)
- ★ Lunch Recess Volunteer [sign-up](#)
- ★ May Library Volunteer [sign-up](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[Link to school calendar\(s\)](#)

Thank you for choosing and supporting Catholic education.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Selden