



September 9, 2024

*St. Joan of Arc, help us to be fearless and strong in our faith. May we listen to the will of God. Help us to be courageous in our mission to defend the teachings of our Lord and King, Jesus Christ, just like you.
Amen.*

Dear Lourdes Catholic School Families,

What a beautiful weekend we had with the cooler weather. A brief reprieve before heating back to the heat this week.

Today and tomorrow we will welcome our Preschool students (3 year olds) to school. We pray for the youngest children in our building and their families as they start this new adventure.

Tonight I invite the Middle School Parents to Open House. Please enter through the PCA/Gym doors. We will gather in the gym at 6pm. After a welcome message and brief presentation, we will rotate to visit with classroom teachers. Tomorrow (Tuesday) evening I invite the K-5 Parents to an Open House. We will follow a similar schedule of gathering in the gym for a presentation and then moving to 3 open house presentations given by the homeroom teachers. This allows families with more than 1 child in grades K-5 the chance to hear from each teacher. As the primary educators of your children, your choice to partner with Lourdes is a commitment we take very seriously. The relationship between home and school is strengthened with time together and I appreciate you making time in your busy schedule to attend. This is a "parents only" event and there is no daycare available.

Last week the beams were placed in what will be the "Commons Space" at St. Joan of Arc Catholic School. These will be exposed when you are on the learning stairs in this open space. Please continue to pray for those involved in the design and construction of our new school.





Thank you for choosing Catholic education. Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc, pray for us.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Katie Selden
Principal

[Grade 1 Aide NEEDED!](#)

We are looking for an aide to join Miss VanLandschoot's classroom. Interested persons please contact Mrs. Selden in the front office.

[Library Volunteers NEEDED!](#)

A note from Mrs. Emerle: I have created a Sign-Up Genius for the month of September and will create a Sign-Up Genius for every month as the year progresses.

I can sign you up on the form ([September sign-up](#)) as I make it, if you have a regular class and time you would like to volunteer. You will still get reminders from Sign-Up if I add you to the form. Email Mrs. Emerle: erindunn78@gmail.com

[St. Ambrose Spirit Program](#)

For grades K-8. Participants will spend the day with the SAU Spirit program. Each participant will be split by age. During the camp, they will rotate through stations where they will learn a cheer, jumps, and stunts. This will all be performed in the first half of our home football game. They will also learn a short routine to be performed at the halftime of the St. Ambrose University football game that same day!! This clinic is great for all levels of experience! All participants will receive an SAU Spirit t-shirt!

When: Saturday, September 21st

Clinic: 8-11a.m. (SAU Wellness & Recreation Center)

Performance: Cheer first half of the game and perform halftime of the 1p.m. Home Football Game (NEW STADIUM Jack and Pat Stadium)

Cost: \$40 (includes T-shirt and entrance to football game for dancer and 1 adult)

Sign up Here: [FALL SPIRIT CAMP REGISTRATION](#)

ProCare Note to parents

Please see the attached letter from SCCS regarding ProCare.

Middle School Youth Group (MSYG)

All 6th, 7th, 8th graders are welcome! Starts THIS WEEK!

Wednesdays 6:16-7:45 in the LCS Gym

Sept. 11, 25; Oct. 9, 23; Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 11; Jan. 8, 22; Feb. 5, 10; March 12, 26; April 9

Room Parents NEEDED!

Parents, we need your help! We secured 3 Room Parents since last week's note, but we are still looking for Room Parents for the following classes: Mrs. Holmes, Mr. Goldsberry, Ms. Richards. Mrs. Heck, Mr. Hintze, Mrs. Ewing

This is a fun way to get involved. Don't worry if you are not the most creative person or if you don't have a lot of time to give. A new trend is for 2 Room Parents to work together in a classroom and this is a great way to share the fun. Please email Mrs. Berneking if you are interested or if you have questions: cassandraberneking@gmail.com

School Lunch

We continue to plan school lunch week-to-week while we wait patiently for the freezer part to arrive. This week's lunch menu was sent home last week, but is also attached to this note.

Fall Festival

A note from Mrs. Wilkinson: Below are the links for all of the OLOL fall festival signups. Any proceeds this year go to the Outreach Committee which supports LCS families through Backpacks with Snacks and Meal Baskets.

Middle school volunteers are welcome for alumni tours and general volunteers. Service hours sheets can be signed by Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs. Stopulos, or Mrs. Carolyn McFate. If the middle schoolers can't find one of us during the fall festival, I will come in on Monday and sign any that are in the office. Please sign-up for the [Bake Sale](#), [Dessert and Basket Help](#), [Alumni Tours](#), [Setup/Cleanup and Games](#).

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[Notes from Mrs. Freemeyer](#)

Choir rehearsal dates: Sept 4, 18; Oct. 2, 16; Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 4 (if Mrs. Freemeyer's new baby isn't here yet)

[Volunteers NEEDED](#)

Please help us by filling out the [Lourdes Volunteer Form](#) to help turn an ordinary school day into an unforgettable adventure. A complete list of [Volunteer Opportunities](#) can help you see the many ways to get involved. If you have questions about volunteering please contact Kristina Katherman (kristina.katherman@gmail.com).

[Birthdays this week](#)

Happy Birthday to Jack C (gr. 8), Ta'laja W (gr. 3), Harper W (gr. K), Easton K (gr. K), Max H (gr. 1), Jordan S (gr. K), Declan H. (gr. 1), Graycen B (gr. 2)

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

Current job postings below

- [Grade 1 Classroom Aide](#)
- [Long-term Music Teacher Substitute: December-April](#)
Must have Iowa or Illinois Teaching License or Substitute Authorization. K-8 Music Endorsement preferred.
- [Substitute \(Guest\) Classroom Teacher](#)
 - [Guest teacher](#)
 - [Substitute Authorization](#) information

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

[Parish Updates](#)

[Our Lady of Lourdes](#)

[St. John Vianney](#)

[Assumption Sports and Activities](#)

- Weekly [update](#) from **Assumption High School**
- **Knights Basketball Association (see attached note)**

Registration: August 19th, August 21st, August 28th, and August 29th at the Assumption gym lobby between 6-9pm. Saturday August 24th and Saturday August 31st, 7-10am at the Assumption gym lobby. We will take registration and answer any questions you may have about KBA.

*Fees will be collected at registration. *

When you go to register, please know your current KBA jersey number

- **2024 Fall AHS Cheerleading Clinic**

What: 2024 Fall AHS Cheerleading Clinic

Who: Girls and Boys Grades PreK-8 (Fall '24)

Where: Assumption High School Small Gym When: Wednesday, September 18th, 2024 Time: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Performance: Friday, Sept. 20th at halftime of the Assumption Varsity Boys Football game vs. Wahlert.

* Arrive by 7:00 pm at the football field entrance – performance at approx. 8 pm

Cost: \$40 (Includes AHS Cheerleading T-shirt and Cheer Bow)

Deadline: Sept. 12th to guarantee T-shirt and bow (not guaranteed for late sign ups) Walk-ins welcome on Sept. 18th

Payment: Due on or before Sept. 12th – Cash or checks payable to: Assumption Cheerleading

RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY! Contact: Heather Letherman

heatherletherman@gmail.com