



October 14, 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,
Good morning,

A reminder that there is NO SCHOOL today, preschool thru grades 8. Today is a professional development day—a day of learning for our teachers. We will continue our work with standards-evidenced reporting and LETRS.

Nearly 40 parents attended last week's School Advisory Board of Education meeting to gain more insight into the parish fee that will take effect next school year. Father Jason addressed the gathering and mentioned that a communication packet will be shared in the coming weeks with further details. In the meantime, if you have any questions, I encourage you to reach out to me directly.

Please also begin preparing for the next phase of our campaign to raise funds for the new St. Joan of Arc Catholic School. Your support is critical to ensuring the success of this important project.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Catholic education and for being a part of the Lourdes Catholic School community. May Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc intercede for us as we move forward together.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Katie Selden
Principal

[Flu Shots](#)

A note from Ms. Huiskamp: Genesis has informed me that they are no longer providing a free flu shot clinic. I wanted to pass it along so your family can make other arrangements to get your flu shots.

Thank you.

Lorrie Huiskamp

Health Aide / Office Staff

[Trunk of Treat](#)



[Registration and Information](#)

[Trunk or Treat Note to Middle School Parents](#)

A note from Mrs. Heck: Hello Parents, It's time to sign up to help with Trunk-or-Treat. 8th grade is working on the haunted house, and the 7th grade is planning the gym games. We need help at the event to make the night run smoothly. The event is this Friday, October 18th. Help is needed before, during, and most definitely after the event. Check times and jobs on the [SignUp Genius](#), and please make sure to stick around for clean up. The students are required to help clean up and parents make it go even faster. Let me know if you have any questions. Thank you!

[Girl Scouts](#)

Girl Scouts is [this Friday, October 18](#) in the library [from 3:30-4:15](#). We are ending early for Trunk or Treat. Parents are always welcome to join and help the girls with the badges. Interested or have questions? Please contact Emily Bintz at emilyjbintz@gmail.com

[Mark your calendars: Trivia Night!](#)

[November 15th](#)

Sponsored by Home and School. More information to come!

[K-8 Parent Teacher Conferences](#)

Parent-Teacher Conferences for grades K-8 will be held next week, Oct. 22 and 24. Sign-ups will be shared later today. Please note the schedule for Conferences includes early-release. The [school calendar](#) can assist with your planning for next week with the early outs.

[Donuts with Dads](#)

[Mark your calendars!](#)



Mark your calendars for November 8th! Donuts with Dads will be held before school that morning. More details to come!

[RaiseRight—EASY fundraising!!](#)

Fundraising with RaiseRight is easy! Buy gift cards from your favorite brands to earn on your daily purchases. Groceries, gas, clothing, home goods, home improvement, or whatever you're spending money on, funnel those dollars through a gift card to raise money for Lourdes. No extra money spent! Download the RaiseRight [app](#) on your phone or go to <https://www.raiseright.com/enroll> to get started. Use enrollment code B35FE9FB1543 when signing up. Contact our program coordinators with questions: Megan Wilkinson at Megan.M.Wilkinson@gmail.com or Ryan Wermes at Ryan.Wermes@gmail.com

[Box Tops](#)

Join us in earning money for Lourdes by using the Box Tops app. It's an easy way to make a difference. Download the app, scan your grocery receipts with your phone's camera, and earn money for our school! Plus, use the referral code E8LR2FTD when you sign up and you'll get 25 Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt now through 05/31/2025, while supplies last. Use the link below to download the Box Tops app:

https://btfe.smart.link/c2jdfkw?referral_code=E8LR2FTD

[Para needed—very part-time](#)

We are looking for an aide to assist a 3rd grade student during ELA for 70 minutes/day. Times are: 10:20-11:30 M,T,Th,F and 1:25-2:30 Wed.

[VOLLEYBALL volunteers](#)

A note from our Athletic Director, Joe Smith: We have a few new [volunteer spots](#) that need to be filled during the volleyball season. The league has added additional locations to the tournament to ease the burden of the tournament schedule. We are hosting 8th grade tournament games this Thursday, Oct. 17. We will need volunteers for the concession stand that evening. Also, I will be out of town during our games Tuesday evening, so I will need volunteers to run the scoreboard. Please sign up if you are available.

[Library Volunteers](#)

A note from Mrs. Emerle: Thank you for your patience with me getting the October sign-up done. You will notice I have added 2 spots to most of the younger classes, they are quite large this

year and we are happy to have ALL the help during those times. Thank you for signing up:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48AAAC2BA02-51815215-library#/>
Happy Reading! ~Mrs. Emerle: erindunn78@gmail.com

Lunchroom, Recess Volunteers

To view our other volunteer needs and sign-up options for recess, lunch, morning greeters, and library [here!](#)

Middle School Youth Group (MSYG)

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

Notes from Mrs. Freemyer

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

Birthdays this week

Happy Birthday to Serepha C (grade 2) and Grant R (grade 3)

School Directory

The 24-25 school directory is attached!

2024-2025 Lourdes Catholic School Available positions

Current job postings below

- ELA Para (70 minutes/day): 10:20-11:30 M,T,Th,F and 1:25-2:30 Wed
- 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–UPDATED courses!! Online and convenient!

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

Parish Bulletins

[Our Lady of Lourdes](#) and [St. John Vianney](#)

Assumption Sports and Activities

- [Weekly update](#) from **Assumption High School**

School Calendar

- [School Calendar 24-25](#)