



ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Lion's Roar: February 6, 2023

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Our school is participating in the Diocese of Baton Rouge District Accreditation Process. Cognia District Accreditation provides nationally recognized accreditation for the district and all its schools. To renew Cognia District Accreditation, the district must: 1) meet the Cognia accreditation standards; 2) implement a continuous process of improvement; and 3) host an external review team once every five years.

District accreditation is a rigorous process that demonstrates to our students, parents, and community that we are focused on raising student achievement, providing safe and enriching learning environments, and maintaining efficient and effective operations staffed by highly qualified educators. As a Catholic School, we utilize the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools protocol. As a system of Catholic Schools, we employ the Cognia Performance Standards for K-12 and Postsecondary Institutions protocol.

Your input is important to your school and to the district during the self-study process. Please take the time to complete the brief online survey between January 30 and February 10. To take the survey, simply click the survey link. It takes less than 5 minutes!

<https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/214827/28197>

All responses are confidential, and only the group statistics will be reviewed and included in the data reports. Thank you for your help with this important endeavor.

“Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!”

Important Dates:

Tuesday, February 7

Wednesday, February 8

Thursday, February 9

Friday, February 10

Friday, February 10

Monday, February 13

February 20-24

Friday, February 24

Friday, March 10

Monday, March 13

8th Grade Pictures

2nd Grade Class Mass

New Student Acceptance Letters Sent

3rd Grade Retreat

Sports shirts/ jerseys may be worn

Parent Education Night Speaker; 6:30 pm

No School- Mardi Gras Holiday

Scholarship Applications Due

PreK-2 No School- Parent Conferences

No School for All Students- Teacher Inservice

CARPOOL: This is a reminder that morning carpool takes place from **7:15-7:40**. All cars should be in their respective carpool lines by 7:40 so that students and teachers can be in their correct locations on campus by the start of school at 7:45. Students should always be dropped off within the view of a carpool duty teacher. Please report to the front office to check your child in if you arrive at school after carpool has ended.

EIGHTH GRADE PORTRAITS: Eighth grade portraits are scheduled for **Tuesday, February 7**. Boys are asked to wear a long sleeve white button down collar shirt to school and bring a uniform shirt to change into once portraits are taken. Long sleeve shirts will be provided if needed. Girls will wear their regular school uniform. Gowns will be provided by Barberito Photographers for all students.

BREAKFAST CEREAL AND MILK PRODUCT COLLECTION: Beginning this Wednesday, Feb. 8 and extending through Tuesday, Feb. 14 (Valentine's Day) all students are asked to bring boxes of cereal and non-refrigerated milk products for the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank. Boxes of cereal and non-refrigerated milk products will be collected in the Food Bank barrels on the stage of the gym.

On the afternoon of Tuesday, February 14, the 7th graders will make a chain of boxes connecting all of our classroom buildings. We will then take a short break for all of the students to watch the boxes fall. If every student brings at least one box, that will give us almost 1200 boxes, enough to reach our goal.

Thank you in advance for your contributions! We will post a video of the event on our facebook page.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES (Grades PK-2): Conferences for students in grades PK-2 will be held on **Friday, March 10**. Students in grades PK-2 will not have school on this day. The online sign-up for conference times will open on **Tuesday, February 28, at 8:00 p.m. and will close on Monday, March 6, at 8:00 p.m.** Further information with a sign up link will be sent soon.

RELIGION UPDATES:

2nd Grade Communion Service on Wednesday- Second grade will have a Communion Service on Wednesday, February 8. Mrs. LeBlanc's class will facilitate. Parents, grandparents and other special guests are invited to attend.

First Reconciliation- Congratulations to our 2nd Graders who have celebrated First Reconciliation on Friday, February 3, Saturday, February 4 and privately with their families. We look forward to our celebration with the remaining 2nd graders on Friday, March 3.

3rd Grade Retreat- The 3rd graders are having their annual retreat on Friday, February 10. The theme of the retreat is "Prayer". During the retreat, the small groups of students will actually be creating their own prayer service. This will be celebrated at approximately 12:20 pm.

Parents are invited to attend. **We ask that parents do not check their children out early.** Following the prayer service, students will have a special guest speaker.

Circle of Grace- The Circle of Grace training is mandated by the Bishop's office of Child and Youth Protection. It will be taught during Religion classes this week. Any missed classes will have to be made up. Please do your best to assure that your child will be present for Religion class.

2023-2024 SAS Scholarship/Financial Aid Applications Period:

Wednesday, February 1, 2023, until Friday, February 24, 2023

This year, SAS has contracted with FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment Services to securely collect families' financial data and review it in an accurate and equitable way. There is an online application for families to apply and upload tax documents and a one-time non-refundable application fee of \$40.00 per household to apply. The same application can be applied to multiple schools provided they use FACTS. For example, SJA & CHS both use FACTS.

Scholarships/Financial Aid is awarded annually. All submitted information remains confidential. A scholarship selection committee will meet to determine recipients. To be considered, a student must be a currently enrolled PreK through the seventh grade student for the 2022-2023 school year.

Need is always the prime determinant for selection. Other criteria considered in the selection are good character, satisfactory achievement, and activities. Four scholarships are designated for minority students.

The school currently has 58 scholarships that award the following amounts:

40 scholarships award \$500.00
5 scholarships award \$1,000.00
6 scholarships award \$1,500.00
3 scholarships award \$2,000.00
1 scholarship awards \$2,500.00
1 scholarship awards \$3,500.00
1 scholarship awards \$4,500.00
1 scholarship awards full tuition

The application deadline is **Friday, February 24, 2023**. Notifications will be sent out to applicants in March.

[Click here to access the scholarship application link.](#)

The link to apply will be available on the school website under the Parents' tab and Important Links beginning Wednesday, February 1, 2023. If you have questions or if paying the application fee is a financial hardship, please contact Chris Porche in the Business Manager at cporche@alloysius.org

PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT: Save the Date! We are excited to announce speaker and SAS Alum Elaine Williamson, LPC, as she discusses the topic of 'Rude, Mean, & Bullying' on February 13th in the Parish Hall. Please join us at 6:00 for a Wine/App Social, with the speaker to follow from 6:30-7:30 pm. [RSVP Here](#)

GIRLS ON THE RUN: Registration is OPEN for Girls on the Run (3rd-5th GRADE)

Girls on the Run provides a place for girls to grow, connect, and shine together! It uses fun, evidence-based lessons to inspire girl empowerment by building confidence, kindness and decision making skills. The team will meet twice per week for 10 weeks, at BREC Perkins Rd. Park from 4:30-6:00. The first meeting will be held on February 14th.

Take a look at the below flier for more information or if you have any questions contact Cate Willis at cate@girlsontherungbr.org

To register today visit: www.girlsontherunsola.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Calling all adult volunteers for a Stellar Adventure!

St. Jude and St. Aloysius will partner for a joint Vacation Bible School program this summer June 12-16, 2023 9am - 12pm on St. Jude's campus. There are many opportunities to share your time and talents, and Adult Volunteer registration is open now at <https://tinyurl.com/sasjvbs2023av>.

Anticipated registration dates are Feb 15th for youth volunteers and Mar 6th for child participants. Please note that facilities capacity is limited, and adult volunteers will receive preference for child registration.

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LIONS IN ACTION:

Boys' Basketball:

****ALL JV AND DEV LEAGUE NIGHT GAMES 5:45, 6:30, AND 7:15--VARSITY AT 5:45, 6:30, AND 7:30**
****WHEN ONLY TWO GAMES ARE PLAYED, GAMES ARE AT 6:00 AND 7:00 (6:45 FOR DEV LEAGUE)**
****SATURDAY GAMES ARE AT 9:00 AM, 9:45 AM, 10:30 AM, AND 11:15 AM**
****SUNDAY GAMES ARE AT 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, AND 3:15**

Mon, Feb 6th				
GEO	GEO(G) VS ALOY(R) (6)	GEO(W) VS OLOM(J) (7)	GEO(G) VS MBS (8)	
ALOY	ALOY VS OLOM (6)	ALOY VS OLOM (7)	ALOY VS OLOM (8)	
Tues, Feb 7th				
ALOY	ALPH(W) VS MBS(W) (3) NS	ALOY(W) VS MBS(W) (4)	ALOY(R) VS MBS(M) (4)	
JUDE	JUDE VS SJV (7)	GEO(D) VS SFX (7) NS	JUDE VS ALOY (8)	
Wed, Feb 8th				
ALOY	ALOY(L) VS OLOM(J) (3) (6:00)	ALOY(R) VS OLOM(G) (4) (6:45)	XX	
STM	STM(GD) VS ALOY(L) (4)	STM(GD) VS ALOY(BK) (5)	STM(N) VS MBS(M) (5)	
Thurs, Feb 9th				
ALOY	ALOY(R) VS OLOM (6)	ALOY(R) VS SFX (7)	ALOY(W) VS GEO(W) (7)	
Fri, Feb 10th				
ALOY	ALOY(W) VS AC (6)	ALOY(W) VS MBS (7)	ALOY VS MBS (8)	
Sat, Feb 11th				
GEO	GEO(F) VS MBS(M) (4)	GEO(W) VS ALOY(R) (5)	GEO(D) VS ALOY(L) (5)	GEO(F) VS ALOY(W) (5)

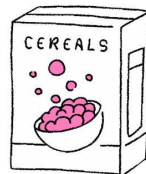
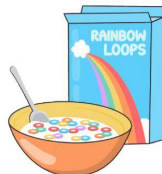


FEED THE WORLD

IT ALL STARTS WITH BREAKFAST

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FEBRUARY 8TH - FEBRUARY 14TH





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PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT**

*Rude, Mean, &
Bullying*

HELPING CHILDREN NURTURE HEALTHY FRIENDSHIPS AND NAVIGATE PEER CONFLICT CAN BE EMOTIONALLY CHALLENGING AS A PARENT. COME LEARN HOW TO EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO NAVIGATE THEIR SOCIAL WORLD.

FEB | MON | 6:30PM
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PRESENTED BY
ALAINE WILLIAMSON, LPC,
REGISTERED PLAY THERAPIST

Wine/App Social in Parish Hall at 6:00pm
Speaker begins at 6:30pm

RSVP HERE

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Girls on the Run is for **EVERY** girl



Girls on the Run is an afterschool program like no other!

Twice per week for 10 weeks, girls will have fun, make friends, increase their physical activity levels, and learn important life skills. Trained and caring coaches lead 3rd - 5th grade girls through interactive lessons and movement activities. The season ends with a celebratory 5K event.



Why it matters It's fun. It's effective.

Participating in Girls on the Run transforms girls' lives by helping them increase their self-confidence, develop healthy relationships, and feel good about themselves, inside and out.



Girls who were the least active at the start of the program increased their physical activity by more than 40%*



97% of participants said they learned critical skills to manage emotions, resolve conflict, help others or make intentional decisions*

*Results based on an independent study conducted by Positive Youth Development expert Maureen R. Weiss, Ph.D.

SEASON DETAILS

Program Starts: 2/14/2023

Program Fee: sliding scale from \$25-\$185 with no girl ever turned away.

Meeting Location: BREC Perkins Rd. Park, 7122 Perkins Rd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Meeting Times:

Tues./Thurs. 4:30-6:00

Contact: Cate Willis

cate@girlsontherunbr.org



Learn more and register today at www.girlsontherunsola.org

The mission of St. Aloysius School is to educate the whole child in the Catholic tradition for a life of meaning and purpose.