



# Cougar Call Weekly News

Newsletter 33, May 14, 2015

Congratulations to our One Act Play drama troupe that was awarded second place at the State OAP Competition last Saturday in Austin! Our students were fantastic! Receiving individual state awards were the following: Best Actor - Harris Franz; All Star Cast - Hannah Allen; Honorable Mention All Star Cast - Garrett Boothe; the Ensemble of Kalie Bohnenberger, Georgia Nickel, Camerin Salazar, Hailey Schaefer. Kudos go to Directors Hedy Carter, Audrey Franz, and Brenda Allen for the untold hours of dedication to these children! We are so proud of all of you!

Tomorrow, May 15, is our Volunteer Mass and Appreciation Breakfast. **ALL** volunteers for St. James School are invited to attend. We shall also be recognizing with the Presidential Volunteer Service Award those volunteers who contributed over 100 hours of service to the school. Please attend the Mass and breakfast. Our teachers want to thank you for all you have done for us and St. James School.

At this time we would like to open the PTC officer ballot to all St. James families. Positions that are available are as follows: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Parliamentarian. We are currently searching for families who love our school and want to see it succeed. A position on the PTC involves working with a group of individuals to support and improve our school through teamwork, fundraising, and promotion. If you feel so called to apply for one of these positions, please contact Lynda Ploetz by Thursday, May 21. Lynda's contact information is [830-305-1525](tel:830-305-1525) [lyndaploetz29@yahoo.com](mailto:lyndaploetz29@yahoo.com) Thank you for your consideration.

Some important upcoming events include the following: Sports Banquet, Tuesday, May 19, 6:00 PM; 8th grade retreat, May 20-21; Kindergarten Graduation, Friday, May 22 at 8:00 Mass; Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL; 8th Grade Graduation, Wednesday, May 27, 6:00 PM; 4th Quarter Awards, Talent Show, and Field Day, May 28; Mass, End of Year Awards, Last of School with NOON DISMISSAL AND NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE, May 29. We hope you can attend some of these special events.

If you are planning on returning and have not yet registered, please do so this week. **Please remember to pay your registration fee of \$395 (K-8) or \$250 (PK2 - PK4) in the school office that was due May 1.** We shall be closing enrollment for classes that are full very soon, so please be sure you have paid your registration to ensure that your child has a spot.

The first round of Hope for the Future and St. James Tuition Scholarships went out last week. Three - four more rounds of Hope for the Future and St. James tuition scholarships will be given from May to August. If you wish to apply for a tuition scholarship, the 2015-2016 Hope for the Future application and the St. James Scholarship are online. Go to [www.sjcstx.org](http://www.sjcstx.org) and look under "Admissions---2015-2016 Registration." To be eligible for tuition scholarships, your applications must be in by the 15th of the month prior to distribution. Please remember, in order to receive tuition scholarships 1) you must have registered for next year, and 2) your account must be current. If you have any general questions, please contact the school office. If you have specific questions about paying registration fees and tuition scholarships, please contact Dr. Cummins.

Blessings,

*Dr. Cindy Cummins*

## Applicants and Nominees Needed for SJS School Council and PTC

**St. James School Council and PTC are actively seeking new applicants and nominees to serve on the 2015 - 2016 Council and PTC.**

**People are needed who love St. James School to help committees in dealing with important aspects of school administration - such as Finance, Building & Grounds, Policy & Planning, Development, and Marketing. Also, people are needed to coordinate school events.**

**If you or someone you know has interest, training, experience, or expertise in any of these areas, please consider applying for one of our vacancies for the 2015-2016 school year. Forms are available in the school office.**

## Service Credit Opportunities

1. St. James School Council is actively seeking new applicants and nominees to serve on the Council. All school council members receive 20 service credits each school year.
2. We are NEED of white copy paper. One case = 2 service credits or 6 reams = 1 credit. Please sign the list in the office if you bring in paper so you will receive your credits.

## Other School News

- **FAMILY ACCOUNT INFORMATION:**
  - The last day the cafeteria will be open is Friday, May 22. **All lunch account balances MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY TUESDAY, MAY 26.**
  - Please begin bringing your family account current as soon as possible if you have a balance.
  - **Reminder: All registration fees were due May 1 2015. Please pay your registration fees for school year 2015 – 2016 as soon as possible.**
- **Second Talent Show!** A second school talent show is scheduled for Thursday, May 28, at 10:00 am. Students who would like to participate must fill out the attached entry form by Friday, May 15 (see rules on form). Students who were in the in the first school talent show can enter a second time with the same or a different act.
- **SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** Please remember to attach the \$30.00 summer registration fee with your form when you turn it in.

\*\*SJS will withhold the release of report cards and transcripts if the family owes outstanding fees or fines.

## Upcoming Events

### Friday, May 15

- 8:00 am Mass honoring our Volunteers
- Volunteer Breakfast after Mass in the Cafeteria/Parish Hall
- Scoliosis Screening for Grades 6 – 8
- Middle School Dance, 7:00pm – 10:00pm, Cafeteria/Parish Hall

### Saturday, May 16

- First Eucharist, 5:00pm

### Sunday, May 17

- First Eucharist, 10:00am and 12:00pm
- Ascension

### Monday, May 18

- School Council Meeting, 6:00pm, Family Center

### Tuesday, May 19

- OOU Day: Red/White/Blue, \$1.00
- Sports Banquet, 6:00pm, Cafeteria/Parish Hall

### Wednesday, May 20 – Thursday May 21

- Eighth Grade Retreat

### Friday, May 22

- 8:00 Kinder Graduation Mass
- Last Day Cafeteria is Open

### Sunday, May 24

- Pentecost Sunday

### Monday, May 25

- Memorial Day
- No School

### Tuesday, May 26

- All lunch balances due!

### Wednesday, May 27

- Eighth Grade Graduation Mass, 6:00pm, St. James Church, Dinner following Mass in the Cafeteria/Parish Hall

### Thursday, May 28

- Field Day, 12:30pm – 3:00pm
- Qtr. 4 Awards, 9:00am, St. James Church
- Second Talent Show, 10:00am, Cafeteria/Parish Hall
- All lunches, 11:30am, Cafeteria and Outside

### Friday, May 29

- Last Day of School
- End of Year Awards After Mass
- Noon Dismissal, NO ASC
- Mrs. Reininger's Birthday!

# St. James PTC 2015 TALENT SHOW

Thursday, May 28

SHOW BEGINS AT 10:00

Parish Hall/Cafeteria

Students in Grades 5K through 8<sup>th</sup> are invited to show off their talents in dancing, singing, instrument playing, magic tricks, comedy, or other entertaining acts. And YES, family groups may enter! STUDENTS MAY BE IN ONE ACT ONLY!

If you plan to participate, YOU MUST RETURN THE ENTRY FORM TO YOUR HOMEROOM TEACHER OR TO MRS. MATALIK IN THE LIBRARY BY FRIDAY, MAY 15.

*Important: If singing with accompaniment, it must be instrumental—no singing along with recording artist. All music must have lyrics appropriate for Catholic school. **LYRICS TO SONG MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM.***

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Name(s) of student(s) in act: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Description of act (if using music, put the name of the song): \_\_\_\_\_

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Circle if you need any of these: CD player

cassette tape player

We will have one microphone available.

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Parent Signature

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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