

### **Principal's Perspective**

Dear Holy Name of Jesus School Community,

Last week, our dedicated teachers collaborated in grade-level teams to analyze academic data and develop strategies to enhance instructional practices, ensuring every student receives the support they need to thrive. I am continually inspired by our educators' commitment to Striving for Personal Excellence, which directly impacts the ability of our students to do the same.

During our discussions, we reflected on the importance of regularly reviewing data to assess what is working and where adjustments are needed. Each year, God entrusts us with a unique group of students, reminding us that effective teaching requires adaptability and intentionality. At HNJ, we are blessed with a collaborative environment where we can refine our practices, celebrate what works, and tailor our approach to meet the diverse needs of our learners.

We also extend our gratitude to our dedicated enrichment teachers, who have thoughtfully updated the school website to better showcase the depth and richness of our diverse course offerings. At HNJ, students don't simply attend art, music, and theatre classes—they actively engage in the creative process, developing their talents and appreciation for the arts. They don't just memorize vocabulary in world languages—they explore the cultures, traditions, and perspectives that shape our global community. Physical education isn't just about playing games—it's about instilling lifelong habits of wellness and teamwork.

Through these experiences, our students grow as well-rounded individuals, deepening their understanding of the world and developing skills that extend far beyond the classroom. We are proud to offer an education that nurtures both mind and spirit, inspiring our students to discover their God-given gifts and use them to make a difference. To wonder... to achieve... to make a difference... together!

God Bless, Kirsch J. Williams









### Tuesday, February 11

Mamma Mia @ Saenger Theater, 7:30 PM

### Friday, February 14

School Mass 8:30 AM (HNJ Church) 2nd-7th Grade, families welcome Liturgy of the Word (Haase's Auditorium) PK4-1st Grade, families welcome

### Saturday, February 15

Mom and Mister (See flyer below)

### Monday, February 17 - Thursday, February 20

Middle School Exams

### Monday, February 17

HNJ Spirit Shirt Day

### Tuesday, February 18

Athletics Mardi Gras Party @ Gilded Perch (see flyer below)

### Thursday, February 20

Community Dinner (see flyer below)

### Friday, February 21

School Mass 8:30 AM (HNJ Church) 2nd-7th Grade, families welcome Liturgy of the Word (Haase's Auditorium) PK4-1st Grade, families welcome No Later Gators (Little Gators - 7th Grade)

### Saturday, February 22

Men's Club on the Avenue (see flyer below)



2025-2026

School Calendar













## **COUNSELOR'S** CORNER

MORGAN SUBERVIELLE, SCHOOL COUNSELOR

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Cultivating kindness in children helps build strong relationships, promotes a positive and inclusive school environment, and enhances empathy and social skills. By encouraging kindness, we aim to foster a caring and supportive community where all students can thrive. Books are an excellent way to teach children about empathy, understanding, and the importance of treating others with respect.

The Invisible Boy Ludwig, Trudy The Potato Chip Champ: Discovering Why Kindness Counts Dismondy, Maria What Does It Mean to be Kind? DiOrio, Rana & Jorisch, Stephane

The Kindness Book by Todd Parr

The Jelly Donut Difference Be Kind











WHAT'S HAPPPENING THIS WEEK IN

### **HNJ ATHLETICS?**







## NURSE'S NOTES

ABBY DONNELLY, SCHOOL NURSE

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Tis the Season!

We've had many Gators ill the last couple weeks and wanted to send a few reminders:

- Your child is required to stay home if they have had fever/vomiting/diarrhea in the last 24 hours. The 24 hour count starts when there is no medication in their system that would mask those symptoms. Your child should also have symptom resolvement to feel well enough to participate in class and make it through the school day in order to return.
- If your child has cough/cold symptoms but is well enough to come to school, please make sure to give them the appropriate cough/cold medication in the morning to keep them comfortable. You can also email us about sending those OTC medications to be administered at school for a lunch/afternoon dose. We do not stock those medications in the Nurse's Office and they cannot remain at school if their symptoms prevent them from participating in class.

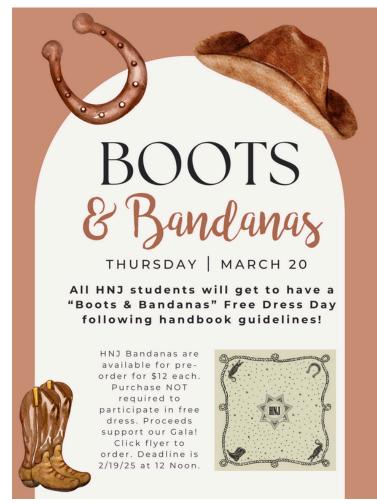
Thanks for your diligence to help keep all of our Gators HEALTHY!













## Auction 2025









Beach Houses \* Art \* Vacations \* Jewelry Restaurants \* Hosting Dinner Parties Fun Family Experiences \* Memberships Spa Days \* Gift Cards \* Home Decor Items

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**ARETESCHOLARS**provides private K-12 scholarships exclusively to qualifying low-to-moderate-income students. The scholarships empower parents who otherwise have limited options to select a school that best meets their child's unique gifts, talents, and learning needs.

Maximum scholarship amounts: \$4,400 for grades K-8; or \$4,950 for grades 9-12.

**Application period:** February 25, 2025–May 31, 2025 (or until we receive 4,000 applications, whichever comes first)

Note: Applications are first-come, first-served, with priority given to returning students, and students using the Louisiana Scholarship Program Scholarship. An application does not guarantee a scholarship.

To be eligible for a scholarship in Louisiana, a student must meet the following income, residency, and prior school year requirements

- 1. Louisiana resident, AND
- 2 Enrolled in Louisiana public school for 2024-25, OR
- . Entering kindergarten in 2025-26, OR
- 3 Received a TDC or Louisiana Scholarship Program award in 2024-25, AND
- . Family income less than the following maximum amounts:

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	MAX ANNUAL \$
2 People	\$52,875
3 People	\$66,625
4 People	\$80,375
5 People	\$94,125
6 People	\$107,875
7 People	\$121.625



Instructions to apply: visit www.aretescholars.org or scan the QR code to begin the online application process.

Questions? contact Mary Helen at maryhw@aretescholars.org









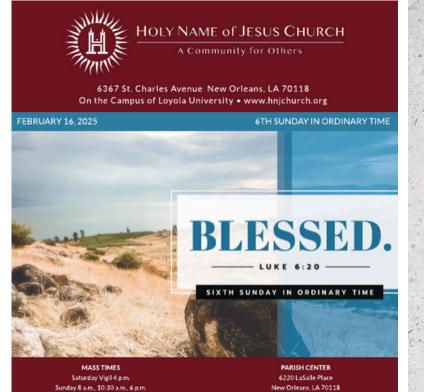












### **Holy Name of Jesus Church Engraved Bricks & Pavers**

Our new entry plaza at Holy Name of Jesus Church will feature an installation of commemorative bricks and pavers that can honor or memorialize loved ones in a special way. Engraved bricks and pavers are the perfect gift for weddings, anniversaries, graduations, or birthdays as well as a meaningful memorial for a loved one who has passed away.



We have two size options available: 4x8 and 8x8. You can choose from several options, including text only or text with a choice of several clip-art icons. Mini replicas are also available for purchase.

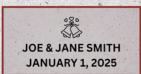
BRICK DETAILS: The bricks are 4" x 8"and are engraved using state-of-the-art laser technology. The price for a 4x8 brick is \$400.

PAVER DETAILS: The pavers are 8" x 8" and are engraved using state-of-the-art laser technology. The price for an 8x8 paver is \$800.

MINI REPLICAS: Mini Replicas are available for purchase for \$25. The 4x8 brick replica measures 1.5 x 3 inches (about the size of a business card), and the 8x8 paver replica measures 3x3 inches in size. Mini replicas will be shipped to the HNJ Parish Center. You will receive a call from us when they are available for pickup.

Learn more at hnjchurch.org/bricks-pavers or scan the QR code below.









### INTRODUCING THE ALL NEW **HNJ SQUADLOCKER SHOP!**

LOOKING FOR MORE HNJ GEAR?

THIS CONVENIENT ONLINE STORE IS ALWAYS OPEN! NO DEADLINES OR ORDER WINDOWS. ALL SHOP PRODUCTS CAN BE CUSTOMIZED USING ANY OF THE BELOW NEWLY DESIGNED LOGOS.

SHOW OFF YOUR GATOR PRIDE EVERYWHERE YOU GO! SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO SEE ALL THE GREAT OPTIONS!





ity Mass 9 p.m. (Loyola Chapel)

(when Loyola University is in session)

Weekdays 7 a.m. (Adoration Chapel)

RECONCILIATION Wednesday & Thursday 7:30-8:00 a.m. (Adoration Chapel)

Saturday 3-3:45 p.m

Sunday 8:15-8:45 p.m. (Loyola Chapel)

(or by Appointment)

hen Loyola University is in session

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**OFFICE HOURS** Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.

> (closed 12-1 p.m. for lunch) Phone: 504-865-7430

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m

WWW.HNJCHURCH.ORG















NOTE: THESE ITEMS ARE NOT SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS. SQUADLOCKER TSHIRTS ARE ALSO NOT CONSIDERED A SPIRIT SHIRT FOR SPIRIT DAY.



### **Diaper Need Defined**

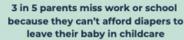
Diaper need is the lack of sufficient supply of diapers to keep an infant or toddler clean, dry & healthy.

1 in 2



1 in 2 U.S. families cannot afford enough diapers to keep their infant clean, dry & healthy

3 in 5



28%



28% of parents experiencing diaper need reported skipping meals to afford diapers

Without diapers, babies cannot attend childcare.

Without childcare, parents cannot attend work or school.

Diaper need has adverse health risks for children and stress, anxiety & depression for parents.

Little Gators will be collecting diapers for the Junior League drive for the next couple of weeks. Please drop diapers off at the Little Gators Entrance (Cromwell Pl) OR the Front Office (Calhoun Red Canopy)

> Email Stephanie Rios for more information srios@hnjschool.org







## The HNJ Yearbook Committee needs your photos!

We need pictures from this school year! If you have photos from any of these past events, or any future HNJ events, please submit them to us!

- HNJ Athletics
- Gator Fest
- Back to School BBQ
- Class Parties

- Field Trips
- Pure Imagination
- Choir
- Other HNJ Events!









### Let's Make a Difference... Together!



We are in an exciting time of growth here at Holy Name. Our enrollment is growing; our students are excelling academically and are being accepted into their high schools of choice; and this fall we will break ground on a brand new Little Gators Early Childhood Center, along with the first phase of our new school gym!

Our Annual Giving Appeal is something we do every year to support the school's annual operating budget. We rely on your gifts to help bridge the gap between what parents pay for tuition and what it actually costs to educate each student. This campaign is separate from our Capital Campaign, which raises funds for capital improvements. Gifts to the Annual Fund help support our Mission, including:

- · Attracting and retaining highly qualified teachers with competitive salaries,
- Providing tuition assistance for families who need it,
- And equipping our students with the resources they need to strive for their personal excellence.

View Our Gift Catalog

Here!

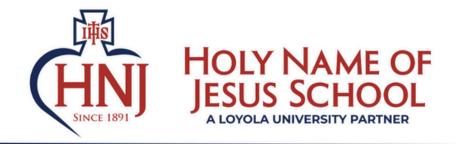
Make a Gift!

Read the full letter from our Annual Fund co-chairs here!









### Mission

Holy Name of Jesus School is an inclusive community dedicated to teaching children confidence, compassion, and integrity while staying committed to academic excellence and the Catholic faith.

### **Core Beliefs**

-Find God in everyone and everything
-Strive for personal excellence
-Are boys and girls for others
-Open eyes with faith, open ears with truth, and open hearts with love

### **Academic Vision**

Holy Name of Jesus School fosters academic excellence in an inclusive environment where our community celebrates and supports all members through student development, innovation, and social justice.

Motto: To wonder, to achieve, to make a difference, together

**Decisions:** Student-centered

In implementing this academic vision, Holy Name of Jesus School is committed to:

### GOAL #1

Meeting the needs of ALL students by utilizing data to differentiate instruction in order to grow as individuals academically, spiritually, and socially

### GOAL #2

Delivering engaging, collaborative, projectbased opportunities where students develop an inquisitive approach to learning

### Goal #3

Providing ongoing opportunities to highlight, promote, and celebrate our own and other's backgrounds, cultures, and differences

Learn more about Holy Name of Jesus School www.hnjschool.org 504-861-1466





