

The Gator Gazette



Holy Name of Jesus School Parent Newsletter

February 4, 2025

Principal's Perspective

Dear Holy Name of Jesus Community,

Can someone pinch me? Friday was truly extraordinary! The entire day felt like a dream—it's hard to believe it's real. We are building a gym! A heartfelt thank you to our families for sending in dirt from home. Our new building will truly be an extension of your homes. The gesture deeply resonated with everyone, from the contractors to the Archbishop, who repeatedly remarked on how student-centered the event was. And that's exactly what it's all about—the students! To sum up the experience, here are a few pictures capturing the joy, excitement, and historic moments from the event.

It's a great day to be a Gator!

God Bless,
Kirsch J. Williams



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Important Dates

Tuesday, February 4

Grand Gators Meeting 8:15 AM (Parish Center)

Wednesday, February 5

Class Pictures (see flyer below)

PTC Parent Social 6:30 - 8:00 PM - [click here to register for childcare](#)

Thursday, February 6

100th Day of School!

Friday, February 7

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

Sunday, February 9

Family Mass, 10:30 AM at HNJ Church

Monday, February 10

HNJ Spirit Shirt Day

January Honorable Gator 8:05 AM (Haase's Auditorium)

Tuesday, February 11

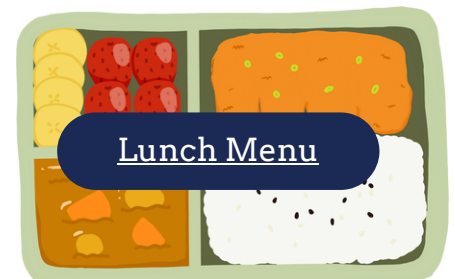
Mamma Mia @ Saenger Theater, 7:30 PM

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)



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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

MORGAN SUBERVIELLE,
SCHOOL COUNSELOR

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Do you know what school counselors really do?

Spoiler alert: It's a lot!

National School Counseling Week, Feb 3-7, highlights the unique contributions of school counselors within U.S. school systems and their tremendous impact on student academic, career/college, and social/emotional success.

Learn more about the role of this essential profession:
<https://www.schoolcounselor.org/role>



National School Counseling Week

FEB. 3-7
2025



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ASSOCIATION

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK IN HNJ ATHLETICS?

Middle School Soccer

Congratulations to the Middle School Soccer team on their 7-5 victory against St. Andrew's last Wednesday. **George Woodrow** led the Gator offense with an impressive four goals. **Cosimo De Candia, Aiden Lawson,** and **Anders Eriksen** each contributed with one goal during the match. Our Gators are looking to carry this momentum into the playoffs starting this week.



Come enjoy craft cocktails with the HNJ community at the **Gilded Perch**.

Get ready to try a Bayou Nights
King Cake Old Fashioned!

**Proceeds to
benefit the Gator
Athletic Club**



HNJ Night at the Pelicans game was a tremendous success. Thank you to the parents and HNJ coaches for creating this invaluable experience for our students.

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Want to shout out some Gators in next week's Gazette?
Email text and photos to Kaitlin Southwick at ksouthwick@hnjschool.org

Gator Spotlight

This week's spotlight is on **Sophia Freeze**, a standout cross country runner for the Loyola University WolfPack. Sophia graduated from Holy Name of Jesus in 2019 and went on to have a remarkable career at Ursuline Academy High School.

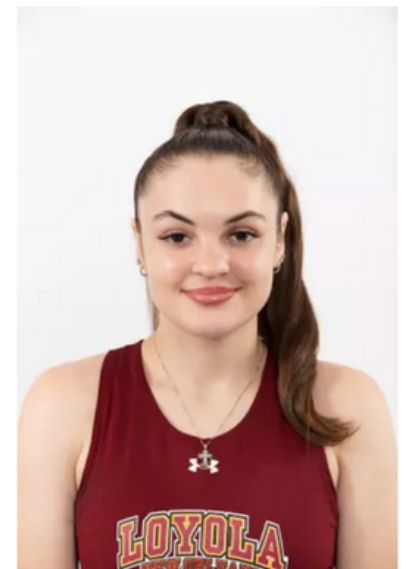
Throughout her time at Ursuline, Sophia demonstrated her talent as a runner, earning the MVP award for her team in both Cross Country and Track/Field for four consecutive years. Even more impressively, she placed in the top 25 at the State meets throughout her entire high school career. During her junior season, Sophia was crowned State champion in the 800-meter dash, setting a personal record of 2 minutes and 23 seconds during the race. In her junior year at Ursuline Academy, she remained undefeated in the 800-meter event, winning every race she entered that season. Sophia received all-District honors as a junior and was a member of the 4x200m and 4x400m all-District relay teams.

In addition to her achievements in athletics, Sophia excels academically, graduating with a 3.67 GPA from Ursuline, which earned her the LHSAA Scholar Athlete Award. Currently, as a freshman at Loyola University, she has a GPA of 3.21 while majoring in Biology with a Pre-Med focus.

When asked about her fondest memories at HNJ, Sophia shared, "What I miss most about HNJ is the sense of community I felt when I was there. Everybody knew each other, and because the campus was so small, my friends and I were very close."

Congratulations once again to Sophia on all her success, both on and off the course! The Holy Name community is incredibly proud of her accomplishments and the amazing person she has become!

Go Sophia and
Go Gators!



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Holy Name of Jesus Class Photos



Class Photos Will Be Taken On
Wednesday, February 5th 2025

Orders Are Due on Picture Day

Payments Accepted: Venmo * Cash * Check

@PGPLLC



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HOLY NAME OF JESUS - CLASS PHOTOS
(One Form Per Student Please)

Student Name:	
Parent's Email Address:	
Grade Level/Homeroom:	

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1 – 8x10 of Class Photo + Digital Image \$25.00

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1 – 8x10 of Class Photo (print only) \$15.00

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1 – Class Photo (digital copy only) \$15.00

Amount Enclosed: \$_____

Payments Accepted:

_____ Cash

_____ Check (payable to Pat Garin Photographer LLC)

_____ Venmo @PGPLLC
(please provide your Venmo Name) @_____

Thank You For Your Order!

Payment and Forms are due on picture day (02/05/2025)

Otherwise, a \$5.00 late fee will be due.

Orders cannot be fulfilled without a completed order form.



The Holy Name of Jesus
7th grade class
invites you to

Mom & MISTER



FEBRUARY 15, 2025

1 - 3 PM

Holy Name of Jesus School

[CLICK TO REGISTER](#)

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New Semester, New Savings!

20% Off

Select School Uniforms

VALID: 2/1 – 2/14/25

CODE: DRAW

PIN: 3450

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Receive 20% off most School Uniform styles and 60% off select School Uniform Sale and Clearance online or by phone (excludes buy more and save pricing, embroidery and monogramming, gift boxing, gift cards, shipping, taxes, duties, Lands' End Business Outfitters purchases, and excluded items as marked). Discount will be applied at checkout. Free Shipping is based on order total after promotional discount has been applied. This offer has no cash value. Promotional savings may be deducted from returns. 5 - 7 business day delivery to most addresses. Free standard shipping is valid on orders of \$99 or more (after promotions and discounts are applied) shipped to US and Canada addresses only. Offer valid through 11:59 p.m. Central, February 14, 2025. Not valid on previous purchases or when combined with any other promotional offers.

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Your child may be eligible for a
K-12 private school scholarship

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:

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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



It's Time for our **READ-A-THON**

February 3-16, 2025
Register today! It's easy!

- **Then, email your link to friends & family**
- **Share on Facebook**
- **Record your minutes**
- **Win prizes**
- **Raise money for HNJ School**

**Top Homerooms that read the most
minutes and raise the most money
win...**

- *Free Dress Day**
- *Pizza Party**
- *Barnes & Noble Gift card for Teacher**

**Individual prizes for top readers and
top money raised...**

- *Barnes & Noble Gift Card**



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SAVE THE DATE

'80s

Totally
Totally tennis



HNJ SCHOOL
TENNIS + PICKLEBALL
TOURNAMENT

March 26th, 2025

[Click Here to Register](#)

HNJ CAMP GATOR

RIISING PK4-7TH GRADE STUDENTS

JUNE 2-6: MESSY MASTERPIECES
JUNE 9-13: GALACTIC ADVENTURES
JUNE 16-20*: MID-SUMMER MARDI GRAS
JUNE 23-27: MAD SCIENCE LAB
JULY 7-11: SPORTS MASHUP
JULY 14-18: GATOR BUILDERS
JULY 21-25: ENDING SUMMER WITH A SPLASH

*NO CAMP ON 6/19 IN OBSERVANCE OF JUNETEENTH

HOURS
BEFORE CARE: 7:00-8:30
CAMP: 8:30-3:15
AFTER CARE: 3:15-5:30

LEARN MORE

PRICING
\$250/WEEK (\$200 WEEK OF 6/16)
BEFORE AND AFTER CARE \$100/WEEK (\$80 WEEK OF 6/16)

REGISTRATION
2/17 PRIORITY FOR CURRENT AND NEWLY ENROLLED HNJ STUDENTS
3/10 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



@CAMPGATOR_HNJ



Save the
Date
for the

7TH Grade Art Show

Wednesday,

March 19th

6pm-8pm

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2025 HNJ GALA

*Sunset in
Sedona*

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025

7PM - 11PM

VALS

SOUTHWESTERN CHIC ATTIRE



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.



JOE & JANE SMITH
JANUARY 1, 2025



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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!

GOOD
TIMES



Click the camera
icon to upload your
photos directly to our
yearbook photo
library!





HOLY NAME of JESUS CHURCH

A Community for Others

6367 St. Charles Avenue New Orleans, LA 70118
On the Campus of Loyola University • www.hnjchurch.org

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 4 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.
University Mass 9 p.m. (Loyola Chapel)
(when Loyola University is in session)
Weekdays 7 a.m. (Adoration Chapel)
Weekdays 12:30 p.m. (Loyola Chapel)
Saturday 8:30 a.m. (Church)

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday & Thursday 7:30-8:00 a.m.
(Adoration Chapel)
Saturday 3:30-4:45 p.m.
Sunday 8:15-8:45 p.m. (Loyola Chapel)
(when Loyola University is in session)
(or by Appointment)

PARISH CENTER

6220 LaSalle Place
New Orleans, LA 70118
(located 4 blocks north of St. Charles Ave.)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
(closed 12-1 p.m. for lunch)
Phone: 504-865-7430
Email: holyname@hnjchurch.org

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

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

WWW.HNJCHURCH.ORG

UPCOMING



SEVENTH GRADE

RESTAURANT FUNDRAISERS

SUPPORT THE HNJ SEVENTH GRADE CLASS TRIP THIS SPRING
BY PURCHASING FOOD FROM THESE LOCAL RESTAURANTS.

BE SURE TO MENTION HNJ!

January

15

BLUE OAK BBQ

All Day!

January

28

CHICK FIL A

Carrolton and I-10 location, 3:30 - 8:00

February

7-9

PEPPERONI'S CAFE

Breakfast only for all three days

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
COMING SOON

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING
OUR 7TH GRADE STUDENTS!



Contact Gwen Chavez for more information
gpeacoc@tulane.edu



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!

ADULT, YOUTH, INFANT, AND TODDLER SIZES AVAILABLE



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AND MORE!



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Little Gators

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



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DIAPER
BANK
Diapers • Period Supplies
Adult Incontinence Products

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



3 in 5 parents miss work or school
because they can't afford diapers to
leave their baby in childcare

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

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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.

[Make a Gift!](#)

[View Our
Gift Catalog
Here!](#)

[Read the full letter from
our Annual Fund
co-chairs here!](#)

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HOLY NAME OF JESUS SCHOOL

A LOYOLA UNIVERSITY PARTNER

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, project-based 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

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