

2024

# Cougar CONNECTION

2025

## Welcome Back To School!

Happy Friday, Cougars!

We are so excited to be back for a new year, and to see our classrooms filled with students again.

In the first couple of weeks, it is easy to get overwhelmed with all of the new information coming your way. The school communicates a lot by email and will also be sending out more short text message reminders this year. If you have questions on anything you receive or think you are missing information, please do not hesitate to call the office- we have a great team who will be happy to help. You can also email Yvonne at [schoolsecretary@stjohnsracine.org](mailto:schoolsecretary@stjohnsracine.org).

We'd like to give a big welcome to all of our new faculty and staff members: Roger, Kristine, Roni, Beth, Trina, and Penny. We are so glad to have you as a part of our team!

Have a great weekend, everyone! Looking forward to week 2!  
Ms. Heins

## Dates to Remember

Sunday, August 25th-  
Church Picnic @  
Pritchard Park (12-3)

Wednesday, August  
28th- Last Day to order  
September hot lunch

Saturday, August 31-  
Last Day to buy Spirit  
Wear (see PTL section  
and flyer for details)

Monday, September 2nd-  
No School (Labor Day)



4th graders try  
out some  
instruments.

## Spirit Wear Sale

Cougar-wear is on sale right now until Saturday, August 31. Go to this site: [rumasports.itemorder.com](https://rumasports.itemorder.com). When prompted, enter "STJOHN2425" in the sale code.

## Chapel Corner

This week we gathered for a special "back to school" chapel. Feel free to check it out here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/8adjbKcr394?si=yDrrgkCbEY7hBYEJ>

Next week we will be looking at Psalm 149. Feel free to join us at 9 am on Wednesday, or to watch it live at this link: [https://youtube.com/@stjohnsracine?si=82mQYn\\_NtCc8yYp9](https://youtube.com/@stjohnsracine?si=82mQYn_NtCc8yYp9)

## Parent Teacher League

Our PTL had an online meeting on August 22nd. They have a number of exciting events planned for the year ahead, including Dining Out nights, where a portion of the price you pay for your meal at a local restaurant is donated back to our school, an Ice Cream truck at the end of each quarter for our students (forms due September 13), Spirit Wear sales (see the note above), Father-Son and Mother-Daughter events, and much more! To be involved in the PTL more directly, please reach out to Ms. Pesch at [pesch@stjohnsracine.org](mailto:pesch@stjohnsracine.org). You will see updates for events in this space each week.



3rd Grade makes  
"recipe for  
success"

## RLHS Corner

The Racine Lutheran High School volleyball program is looking for a JV2 coach for this season. Anyone over the age of 18, with any amount of volleyball experience, should consider coaching a fantastic group of girls! A coaching stipend is available. Any questions about the position or the schedule should be directed to Mr. Shaffer ([sshaffer@racinelutheran.org](mailto:sshaffer@racinelutheran.org)).

Student Athletic Passes for RLHS home games will be coming out soon! These will get your student into any high school home game for free.

## CHURCH NEWS

This Sunday, August 25th, is our annual church picnic at Pritchard Park! It runs from 12-3. You can sign up to bring something to share- see the attached flyer!

Each year our pastors offer a special class to our parents called "Making the Most of Your Choice," highlighting all of the beliefs and practices that make Lutherans unique. This will take place on Monday, September 9th from 6-7 pm. Refreshments and childcare provided! See the attached flyer for details

We'd love to have you join us for worship! Our services right now are at 6 pm on Wednesdays and 9 am on Sundays. This will switch after Labor Day- watch for updates!

*Hebrews 12:1-2*

**"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith..."**