

The Crusader Challenge

RUNNING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS!



October 7, 2025

Dear St. Bernard School Parents,

On *Friday, November 21, 2025*, St. Bernard School will hold its 7th Annual Crusader Challenge with a goal to raise **\$70,000**. In the past, this event has funded various campus improvements, curriculum enrichment materials, and supplies, including our brand new playground. The next step in our facilities' long-range plan is to replace the roof on our Junior High building and complete the air conditioning upgrade in the gym. Our goal this year is to be able to complete both of these projects. Any Crusader Challenge financial support will help get us closer to our goal.

Students will walk or jog around the Crusader Circle as many times as possible in a set time period. Each student will raise funds by asking sponsors to contribute a tax-deductible donation to St. Bernard School. Here are the details.

Your Support

Once again, we will be using an awesome web-based fundraising system for our Crusader Challenge. This website will make it **much easier** for you to request pledges from your family and friends, and for them to make secure credit card donations online. It's fun, it's easy, and people who use it typically raise twice as much as those who don't! **Each family will set up one account for all students in the family.**

Remember, our Crusader Challenge is November 21, 2025, so please follow the directions on the enclosed flyer to **register now** to help our school raise as much as we can. <u>For donations to count towards a student's incentives, donations must be turned in by **Thursday, November 20, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.** Any donations turned in after this time will not be put towards a student's incentives.</u>

Mail-In Donations

If you prefer, donors can send a check made payable to <u>St. Bernard School</u> with the <u>student's name in</u> <u>the memo section</u>. Donations should be mailed to: St. Bernard School, 251 East Bridge Street, Breaux Bridge, Louisiana 70517, ATTENTION: Crusader Challenge.

If you have any questions about the Crusader Challenge, please feel free to contact Heather Cambre, Fundraiser Chairman at crusaderchallenge@sbscrusaders.com or (337) 281-5728. If we meet or exceed our goal of \$70,000, we will be able to complete these necessary campus improvements. So, let's start the *Race* by collecting donations!

Sincerely,
JP Masterson, Principal
Heather Cambre, Kara Hebert, Fallon Guidry, Dusti Taylor, and Claire Broussard
The Crusader Challenge Committee



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SETTING UP YOUR FAMILY'S CRUSADER CHALLENGE DONATION PAGE

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<u>Each family will set up ONE account for all students in the family.</u> Please just share the login between parents or anyone who may need to log in to monitor donations.

Remember, our Crusader Challenge is November 21, 2025, so please **register now** to help our school raise as much as we can for the **Campus Improvement Project!**

Scan the QR Code to register and get started.



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Using your computer or phone's browser:

- Go to http://pledgestar.com/crusaderchallenge
- Click "Not Registered For This Year's Event"
- Enter your name and email address, then click "Submit."
- Follow the instructions on-screen to register Challenger(s) and add family and friends

When you finish, the system emails pledge requests to your family and friends, and allows them to make secure credit card donations online. You get notified each time a pledge is made, and you can track your pledge progress online.

Call 1-888-598-7510 if you need help or email CrusaderChallenge@sbscrusaders.com



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IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, October 7, 2025:

Crusader Challenge Papers go home
Parents can begin setting up PLEDGESTAR ACCOUNTS

Tuesday, October 14, 2025:

Official fundraiser kick off!

Friday, October 31, 2025:

Sponsorship money is due!

Thursday, November 20, 2025:

Incentive donations deadline - donations made after this date <u>will not</u> be counted towards the student's incentive level.

Friday, November 21, 2025:

RACE DAY!

To access this packet and more information for this year's Crusader Challenge, please use the following link or email CrusaderChallenge@sbscrusaders.com





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Prize & Award Categories

Students who receive the following donation amounts will get the following:

\$25 in donations: Puzzle Cube Eraser \$50 in donations: Dress Down Day

\$75 in donations: Cajun Snow Cone Treat

\$100 in donations: Enjoy recess with an Inflatable Obstacle Course and

Bounce House

\$250 in donations: Chance to dunk Mr. Masterson in a Dunkin' Booth on

Race Day!

Grade Band Prizes as follows:

PreK & K: Outside Play Set

1st & 2nd: Self Balance Electric Scooter 3rd, 4th & 5th: 13 in 1 Combo Game Table

6th, 7th & 8th: Beats Studio Buds+

- The class that raises the most money will have a Chick-fil-A Party in their classroom.
- The teacher with the class that raises the most money will receive a Gift Card towards classroom supplies AND a Gift Card to Cafe Sydnie Mae.
- A first-place trophy will be awarded to the boy and girl in each grade level who complete the most laps during the Race for Education. A Crusader Challenge Finisher Medal will be given to all the students on Race Day.
- If we reach our goal of \$70,000, Mr. Masterson will be given some "HOLIDAY CHEER", and everyone will enjoy a FREE DRESS DAY! *Date of free dress day will be determined after the race!
- All participants of the Sader Showdown will be able to give Mr. Masterson some "HOLIDAY CHEER" in the Award Show Finale. The first-place winner of the Sader Showdown will receive an Amazon Gift Card and a trophy for bragging rights.
- The SBS student who raises the most money will be allowed to have a "Party on the Bayou" with four friends and a special treat provided by the race committee.
- Weekly challenges will be announced each Monday morning. The Homeroom class to win the challenge will receive a mystery prize.
- Each family that raises \$300 or more will be entered into a drawing that will take place during the award ceremony for a FAMILY Fun Pack!

2025 CRUSADER CHALLENGE TENTATIVE RACE SCHEDULE

The official Race Schedule will be released at a later date.

- *Grades PreK3 through 5th race lasts approximately 20 minutes
- *Grades 6th, 7th, 8th race lasts approximately 45 minutes

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. PreK3 *AWARDS TO BE HANDED OUT AFTER*

6th/7th/8th/PreK4/Kindergarten CHEERING - (PreK4 to be brought to the main hall at 8:55 a.m. to take pictures and line up with Kindergarten to follow.)

9:00 - 9:30 a.m. PreK4 and Kindergarten

6th/7th/8th CHEERING - (ONLY BUDDIES to join in after a few minutes)

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grades

1st/2nd CHEERING

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. 6th, 7th, and 8th Grades

PreK4 and Kindergarten CHEERING / Dunkin' Booth UNTIL LUNCH AT 10:45 a.m.

10:15 - 10:45 a.m. - Dunk Mr Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth!

- PreK3, PreK4, and Kindergarten Watch and Qualifiers Participate with Dunkin' Mr.
 Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth *Must raise \$250 in order to participate
- 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Watch and Qualifiers Participate with Dunkin' Mr. Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth – *Must raise \$250 in order to participate

11:00 - 11:30 a.m. 1st and 2nd Grades

3rd/4th/5th CHEERING UNTIL LUNCH AT 11:20 a.m.

11:15 - 11:45 a.m. - Dunk Mr Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth!

 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Watch and Qualifiers Participate with Dunkin' Mr. Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth while enjoying a picnic lunch! – *Must raise \$250 to participate

11:45 - 12:15 p.m. - Dunk Mr. Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth!

 1st and 2nd Grade Watch and Qualifiers Participate with Dunkin' Mr. Masterson in the Dunkin' Booth while enjoying a picnic lunch! – *Must raise \$250 to participate

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Sader Showdown (all qualifiers and teacher competition)

• 1st - 8th CHEERING - Optional for PreK3, PreK4, and K since this may interrupt nap time.

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Award Ceremony & Finale

ALL GRADES

LUNCH SCHEDULE

PK3, PreK4, and K: 10:45 a.m. - Lunch will be delivered to the classrooms.

6th, 7th, and 8th: 11:00 a.m. - Walk through the lunch line immediately following the race and return to the area in front of the dunkin' booth. Qualifying participants will "Dunk Mr. Masterson," while the class enjoys a picnic lunch on the slab!

3rd, 4th, and 5th: 11:20 a.m. - Leave the field before the end of the 1st and 2nd graders' race and walk through the lunch line.

1st and 2nd: 11:30 a.m. - Walk through the lunch line immediately following the race and return to the area in front of the dunkin' booth. Qualifying participants will "Dunk Mr. Masterson," while the class enjoys a picnic lunch on the slab!



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Crusader Challenge?

The Crusader Challenge is a fundraiser where friends and family donate whatever amount they choose in support of the student participating in a challenge, in our case, a race course. Donations are not determined by how fast the student completes the race or how many laps the student completes, but instead are fixed. The race is a fun way for all students to participate at a level they feel comfortable and to fundraise for school/campus improvements. There are prize incentives to encourage friendly competition among the individual students and also between classes.

Why are we doing this school fundraiser?

The funds generated from the Crusader Challenge will be put towards campus improvements, such as future gym renovations and upgraded playground equipment, and continued curriculum development. The funds raised this year will go towards the replacement of the Junior High Building Roof and completion of the Gym Air Conditioning upgrade!

Who can participate?

All students will participate in the Crusader Challenge.

How do you donate?

Once again this year, we are using an awesome web-based fundraising system that makes it much easier for you to request pledges from your family and friends, and for them to make secure credit card donations online. It's fun, it's easy, and people who use it typically raise twice as much as those who don't! Each family will create their own page using the instructions sent home on Tuesday, October 7, 2025. If you prefer, you can send a check made out to St. Bernard School with the sponsored Student's Name in the memo: Crusader Challenge, St. Bernard School, 251 East Bridge Street, Breaux Bridge, LA 70517.

When will donations begin to be accepted?

Donations can be made beginning Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

What is the deadline for donations?

Donations can be accepted all year long; however, in order for donations to count towards a student's incentive level, donations must be turned in by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 20</u>, <u>2025</u>, <u>at 3:00</u> <u>p.m</u>. Any donations turned in after this time will not be put towards a student's incentives.

How can I become a corporate sponsor of the Crusader Challenge?

For information on becoming a sponsor of the Crusader Challenge, please contact Heather Cambre, Fundraising Chair, at (337) 281-5728 or crusaderchllenge@sbscrusaders.com. The deadline for all sponsorship commitments must be made by **Friday, October 31, 2025**.

What are the students expected to do on race day?

On race day, students will walk, jog, or run around the Crusader Circle, a designated area, as many times as possible during a set amount of time.

What is the schedule of events?

A schedule of events will be shared at a later date.

What if there is a chance of rain?

The committee will keep a close eye on the forecast the week of the race. If there is a chance of rain that seems like it will affect the race, the event will be moved up to **Thursday, November 20, 2025**. Parents will be notified of the change.

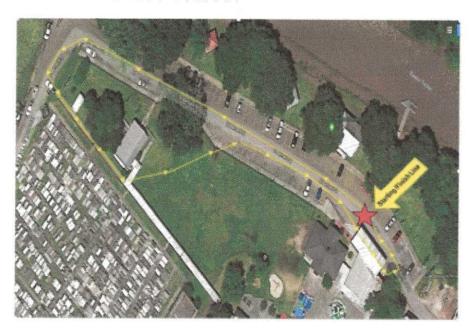
Is there a theme for the event?

The theme for this year's Crusader Challenge is <u>"Running Through the Holidays"</u>. More details to come.

What is the Sader Showdown?

The Sader Showdown is a competition between 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade students who raise a minimum of \$200 in donations. These students compete through the race course with an added military style obstacle course. Each student is allowed one lap through the course. The Student with the fastest time will win.

What is the race course?



Who do I contact if I have more questions?

Heather Cambre, Fundraiser Chair

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