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## School Newsletter-May 9, 2025

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# NEWS & UPDATES

**May 12: Wear red, white, and blue in celebration of the first American Pope!**

**May 12-16: FIA week**

**May 14: May Crowning**

**May 15: Wear Spirit wear**

**May 15: Faith on 44 - St. Bridget**

**May 23: Last day of school - May Day!**

**May 24: 6th Grade Graduation**

Dear St. Mary Families,

**We want to thank the PTO for a wonderful Staff Appreciation Week! It was an amazing week with awesome treats, lunch, covered duties, gifts, and more! It was much appreciated by all of the staff! We are so blessed to be at St. Mary's!**

It was an eventful week with a new Pope being chosen during school! Students enjoyed watching it live throughout the end of the week and talking with Fr. Dustin on Thursday about Pope Leo XIV. They were very interested in the entire process and some even voluntarily stayed in at lunch and recess to watch it! Ask them what they learned!

Also, be sure to order your yearbook for this year! They are on sale now!

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus describes his care for his sheep. Jesus also describes his relationship with the Father. He says they are one. This means that to know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Throughout our life, we hope and pray that we will grow ever closer to God as we learn to follow Jesus more fully.

Have a wonderful weekend!

God Bless,

Mrs. Pam Wells

Principal



## Our School Mission Statement

St. Mary's Catholic School and PreSchool is Christ-centered, emphasizing spiritual values rooted in the Catholic faith.

- BELIEVING in Jesus Christ.
- ACHIEVING academic excellence.
- INSPIRING service, personal growth, and responsibility



### St. Mary's Theme for 2024-2025

The Eucharist is the Cornerstone, and  
we are Building the City of God!



## Energy Bus: Positive Passengers

Congratulations to this week's winners of the Energy Bus: Positive Passengers! These students have been good role models this week by showing respect, using their manners, and showing kindness toward classmates and staff members!





## Have you seen me?

Have you seen the new Mother Mary statue out in front of school? With the aide of an anonymous donor, the Class of 2025 donated the statue to St. Mary's! It is beautiful!

A Huge Thank You to the Class of 2025!



ST. MARY

# INCOMING KINDERGARTEN



**Kindergarten Meeting  
for the 2025-2026  
school year**

**Monday, May 12, 2025  
5:30pm**

Kindergarten Room Upstairs  
Room #0

**PTO News**



- Thank you to Melissa Niedenthal for chairing our Staff Appreciation Week committee and all the committee members and volunteers who made food, covered recess and lunch duty, and just made our staff feel appreciated!!
- May Day is the last day of school, Friday, May 23rd. PTO will provide games, lunch, and a special treat. If you'd like to help with games or lunch and are Safe Parish Certified, please contact Kevi Harpring or Jacki Frazier.
- 6th Grade Graduation is Saturday, May 24th. The 6th graders will be honored at the parish mass that evening, followed by a reception for them and their families in the school gym.
- PTO Officers would like to thank everyone who has helped make this year a successful year!! Our fundraisers have gone above and beyond this year, and with that, we will be able to provide new items for the students, staff, and school! We are so thankful for the generosity and support we receive!! Again, THANK YOU to everyone who has chaired an event, helped on a committee, bought or sold items, or provided support. We appreciate you all!

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please reach out to Mary Burklow, Liz Ging, Ashley Harpring, Jennifer Hoeing, or Jennifer Snow.

## **SMS PTO Facebook Page**

**Yearbook Sale Going on NOW! You can order online, or send in cash or check to the office!**





# Capture the Memories!

Order your Yearbook today.

Access Code: **0087186YB**

Visit [www.barksdalephoto.com](http://www.barksdalephoto.com) and  
*order your yearbook now!*





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**Weekend**  
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**Sale**

Saturday, Sunday & Monday  
May 17 -19, 2025

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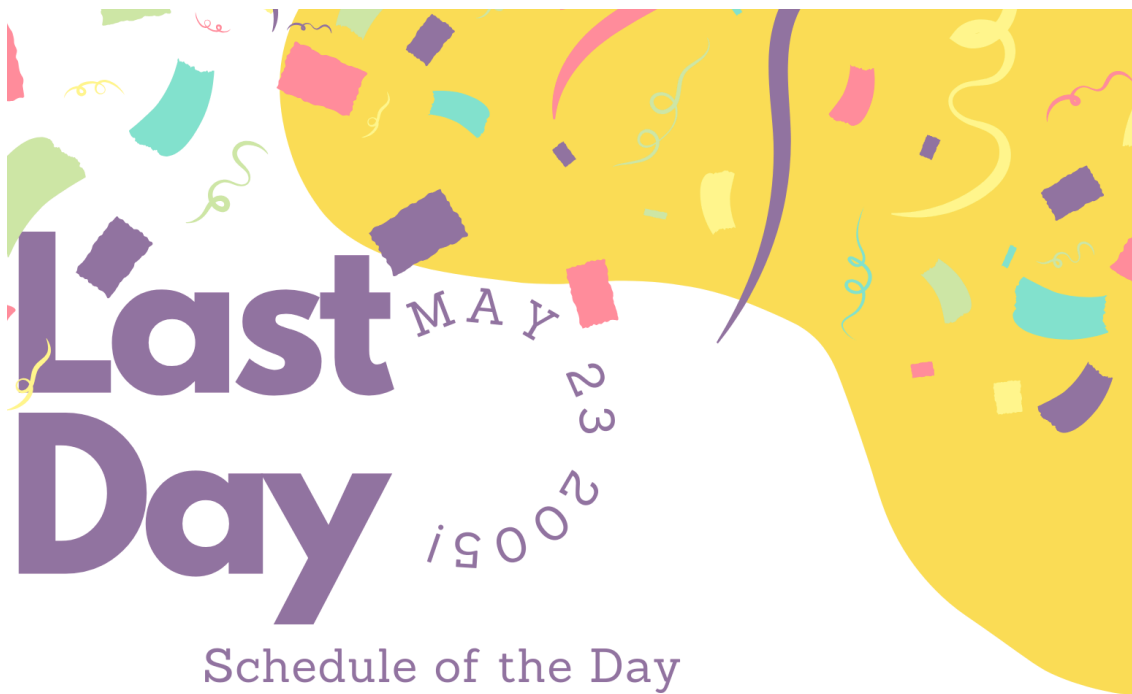
**FREE SHIPPING**  
on orders over \$100



Pre-Order for  
the upcoming  
school year!







### Schedule of the Day

7:30-8:00 Normal Arrival

8:30-9:15 Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:30-11:00 Classroom Awards

11:00-3:10 May Day Activities

### Classroom Awards

9:30-9:50 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

9:50-10:10 Pre and Kdg

10:10-10:30 6<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup>

10:30-10:50 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

- Students may wear spirit wear/shorts/tennis shoes
- Hot dog lunch will be provided to students by PTO
- Parents may join us for Divine Mercy Chaplet (in church) and classroom awards
- If parents wish to help with May Day, contact Kevi Harpring (must be Safe Parish)

### Preschool Parents: Graduation



You're invited to a

# preschool Graduation

Parents of graduating  
preschoolers are invited to join  
us in celebrating  
this special milestone.

Thursday, May 22 at 1 p.m.  
St. Mary School Gym

See you  
there!



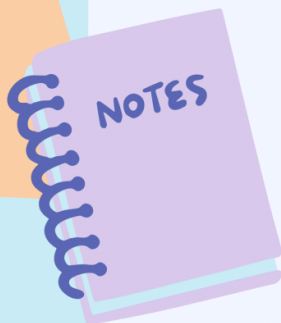




# Summer Tutoring Avoiding the summer slide!

SMS students entering  
Kindergarten - entering  
3rd grade

Mrs. Leon (1st grade  
teacher at SMS) is  
offering tutoring this  
summer. Individual and  
small group available.



Please send an email to  
[hleon@stmaryrush.org](mailto:hleon@stmaryrush.org) to  
sign up!







Miss Wessel's

# SUMMER PREK/KINDER TUTORING

Is your kiddo going into PreK or Kindergarten? Let me help get them ready!

## WHAT WE WILL WORK ON

- Letter recognition
- Number recognition
- Cutting skills
- Phonemic awareness
- Pre-writing & writing skills
- Comprehension

## SIGN UP HERE



<https://forms.gle/su83LSR8E1xHzMgp7>

## Thank You!

Thank you to all of those who volunteered for lunch/recess duty. We were able to cover the whole schedule this week. The staff appreciated the break and adult



conversation every day!! Also, thank you to those who helped with snacks and lunch on Wednesday!

—*Staff Appreciation Week Committee*







## Lunch Menu



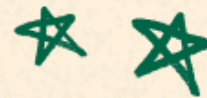
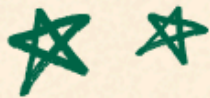
# MAY | 2025

## St. Mary's Lunch Menu

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
28	29	30	1 Beef Tacos Shredded Lettuce/Cheese Mexican Rice Blk Beans & Corn Fruit Milk	2 Grilled Chicken Sandwich French Fries California Blend Fruit Milk
5 Corn Dogs Macaroni & Cheese Mixed Vegetables Fruit Milk	6 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Carrots & Celery Fruit Milk	7 Maxx Sticks Marinara Side Salad Carrots Fruit Milk	8 Chicken Queso Tostitos & Salsa Broccoli Rice Fruit Milk	9 Breaded Tenderloin Tater Tots Baked Beans Fruit Milk
12 Teriyaki Beef Bites Fried Rice Broccoli Fruit Fortune Cookie Milk	13 Country Fried Steak Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruit Milk	14 Stuffed Crust Pizza Side Salad Peas & Carrots Fruit Milk	15 Beef Nachos Shredded Lettuce Refried Beans Corn Fruit Milk	16 Cheeseburger Baked Beans Carrots & Ranch Chips Fruit Milk
19 Cooks Choice	20 Cooks Choice	21 Cooks Choice	22 Cooks Choice	23 Cooks Choice
25	26	27	28	29



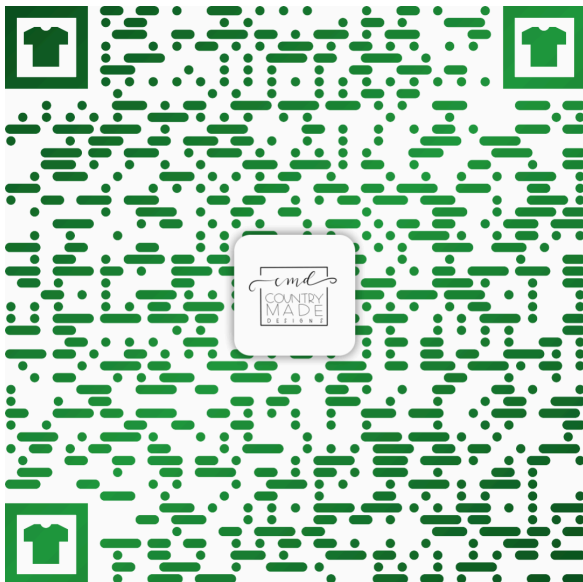
# FAITH IN ACTION SPIRIT WEAR DAYS



8/22, 9/19, 10/17, 11/21, 12/12,  
1/23, 2/20, 3/20, 4/17, and 5/15



*Wear SMS spirit wear and jeans on these  
days! Any student not wearing SMS spirit  
wear must wear their regular school uniform.*



## SMS Spirit Wear

Use the QR Code or the link to purchase new spirit wear! There are new items added this year! Orders are made to order. No stock items.

**Spirit Wear by  
Country Made  
Designs**









**RCRC SUMMER CAMP**

**JUNE 2 - AUGUST 1**  
9 AM - 4 PM

**Limit: 20 & Filling FAST!!**



## JUNE SCHEDULE

### MYTHS & MAGIC

JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> - JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>

Bring folklore to life through crafts, costumes, games, and imaginative storytelling from cultures across the world.

### GO SPORTS!!

JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup> - JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>

New to sports or already an MVP, this fun, active camp builds coordination, teamwork, and confidence. All skill levels welcome!

(Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Pickleball, Badminton, Tennis)

### SURVIVE & THRIVE IN NATURE

JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup> - JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>

Learn ancestral skills like fire building, edible plant ID, pottery, and shelter building. Boost confidence while connecting with the natural world.

### WATER WONDER WEEK!

JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup> - JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup>

Make a splash this summer! Campers enjoy daily swim lessons, water games, and aquatic fun. Led by certified lifeguards for all skill levels.

### ARTEFUL APPETITES

JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>

Paint, sculpt, and perform! A week of self expression, creativity, and celebration of the arts.

## JULY SCHEDULE

### GAME ON FUN!

JULY 7<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>

Experience a chance to explore a variety of yard & board games. Old School & New School activities. Inclusive of all skill levels!

### ANIMALS & UNIVERSE

JULY 14<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>

Get ready for an out-of-this world adventure that brings the wonders of wildlife and the mysteries of the universe together in one unforgettable camp experience!

### STEAM, STREAM & SPLASH

JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> - JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>

Dive into a week of splashy science, nature, adventures, and swimming fun! S.T.E.M focused activities all around the water.

### AROUND THE WORLD IN 5 DAYS

JULY 28<sup>TH</sup> - AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>

Campers explore world cultures through games, music, crafts, and foods. Celebrating diversity and having fun together!

## SAMPLE SCHEDULE

TIME	ACTIVITY
7:30-9:00 AM	Drop off & free play (EXTENDED HOURS)
9:00-9:30 AM	Morning Circle & Welcome
9:30-10:30 AM	Themed Activity #1
10:30-11:00 AM	Snack & Movement Break
11:00-12:00 PM	Themed Activity #2
12:00-12:30 PM	Lunch
12:30-1:30 PM	Story Time/Quiet Activity
1:30-2:30 PM	Themed Activity #3
2:30-4:00 PM	Outdoor Play or Special Guest
4:00-5:00 PM	Pick-up & Extended Hours Activities

**EXTENDED HOURS**  
**\$6 PER FAMILY PER DAY**



## NEED TO KNOW

JOIN US FOR ALL 9 WEEKS  
OR COST (PER WEEK)

### 1 Camper

- Non-member = \$155
- Member = \$150

### 2 Campers [per camper rate]

- Non-member = \$145
- Member = \$140

### 3 Campers [per camper rate]

- Non-member = \$135
- Member = \$130

### EXTENDED HOURS

- 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
- 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

### Additional Cost

- \$6 per family per day

AGES: 4 - 10 YEARS OLD

\*MUST BE FULLY POTTY TRAINED

Limit: 20  
per week

## CONTACT US TO REGISTER!!

Rush County Recreation Center  
765-932-6582 (Ext. 1)

Camp Coordinator:  
Trish Mastin

[rush2camp@gmail.com](mailto:rush2camp@gmail.com)

1850 N Main Street

Rushville, IN 46173

[www.lovecommunitycenter/rcrc](http://www.lovecommunitycenter/rcrc)



## CAMP INCLUDES

### FIELD TRIPS

Our camp offers a variety of fun and educational field trips to spark curiosity and create lasting memories.

### POOL DAYS

On certain days campers will enjoy supervised swim time, pool games, and water-based activities.

### PROVIDED: LUNCHES & SNACKS

Each day, kids will enjoy a nutritious, delicious meal & snack to keep them energized and ready for a fun-filled day of activities.

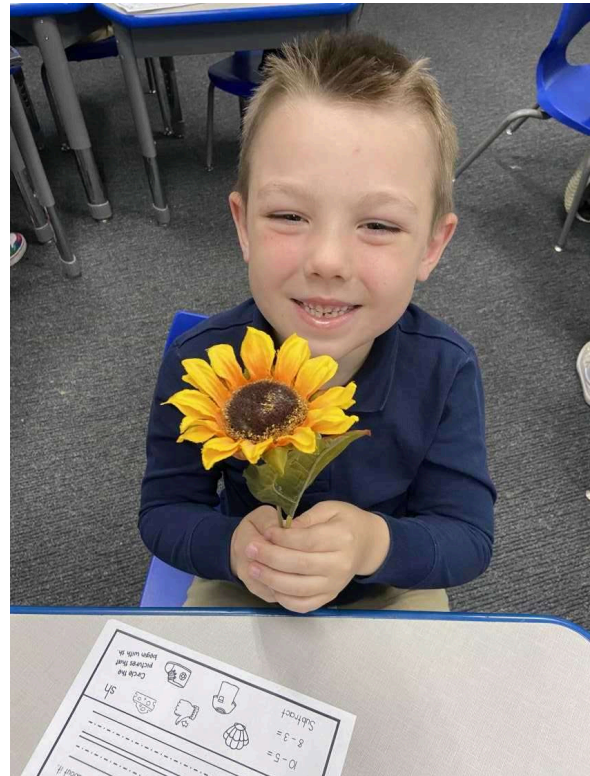
## VOLUNTEERS

Community volunteers enhance the experience for all campers!! To learn about volunteer opportunities, please contact us:

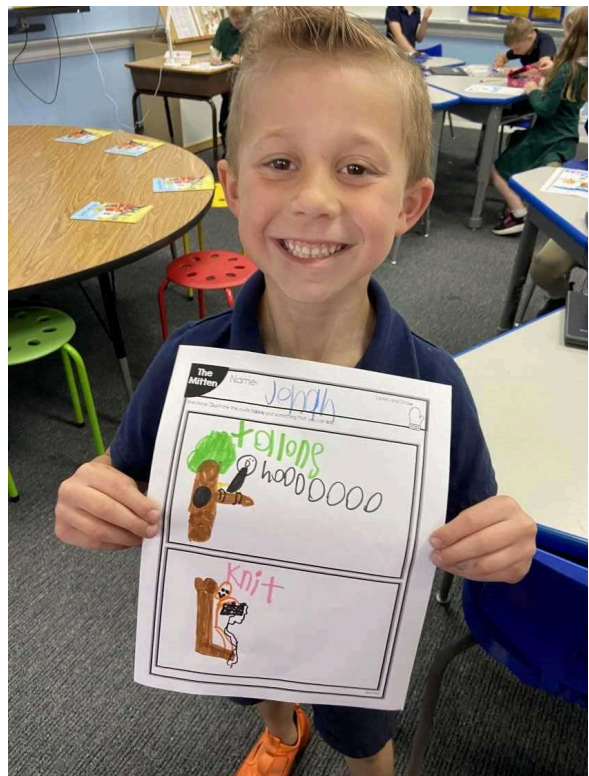
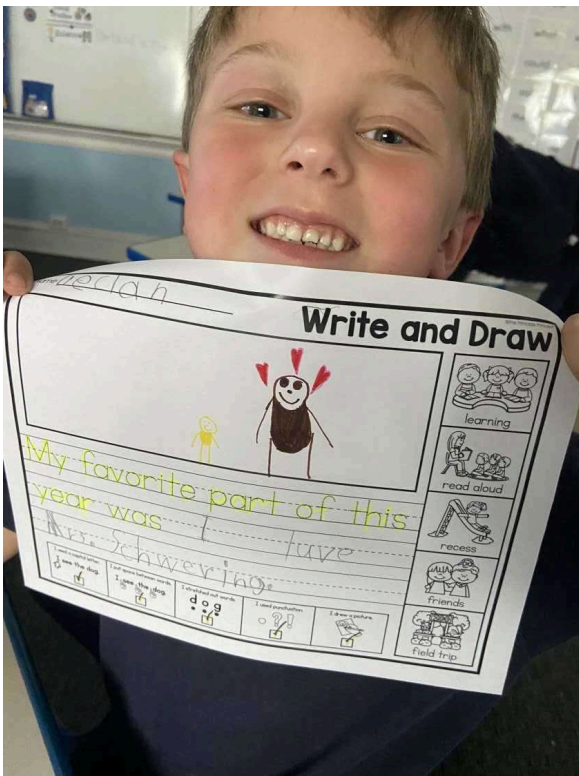
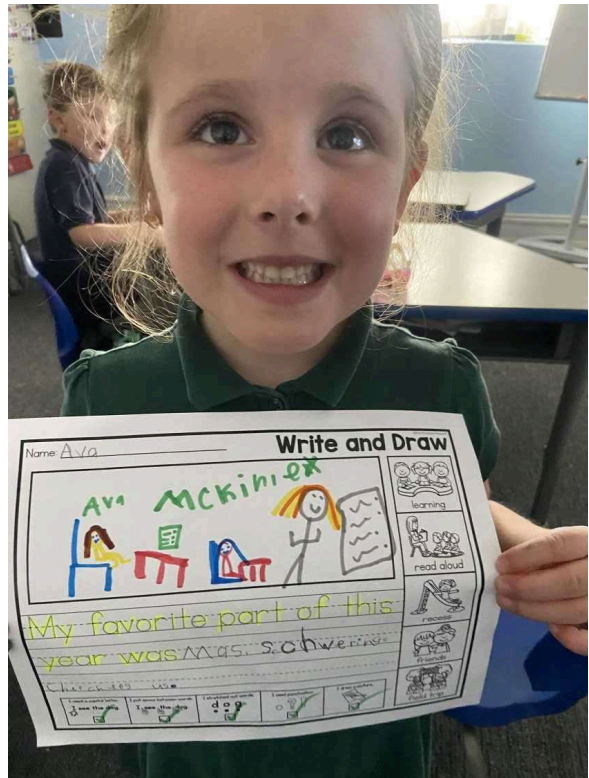
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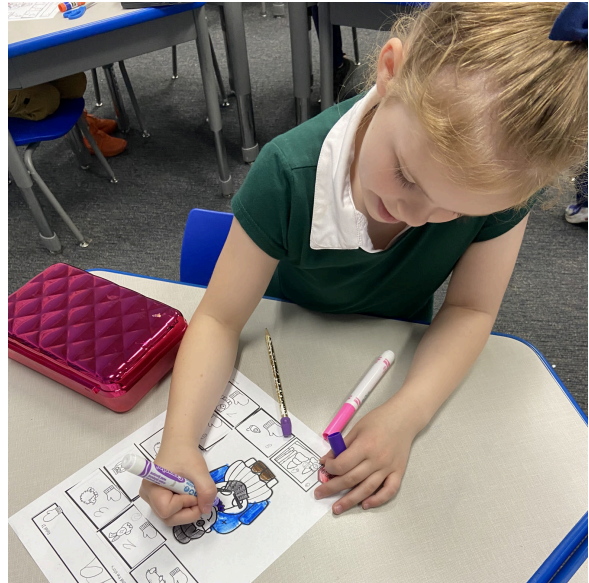
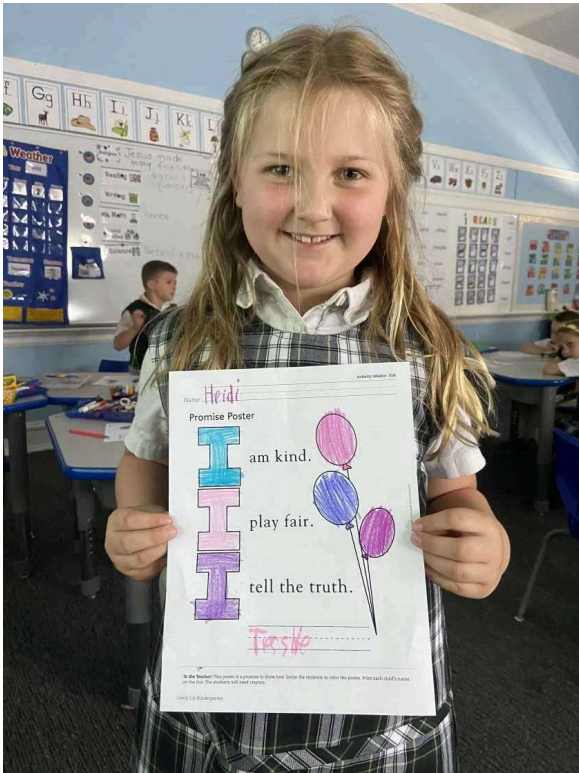
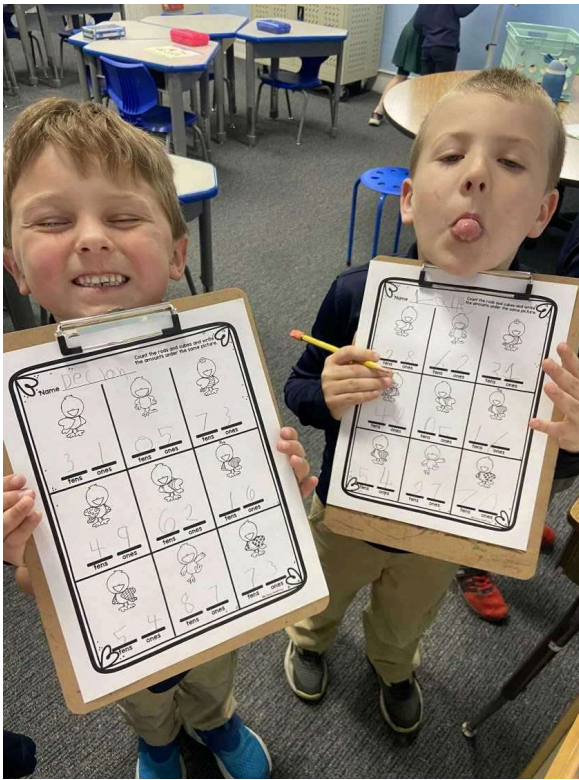
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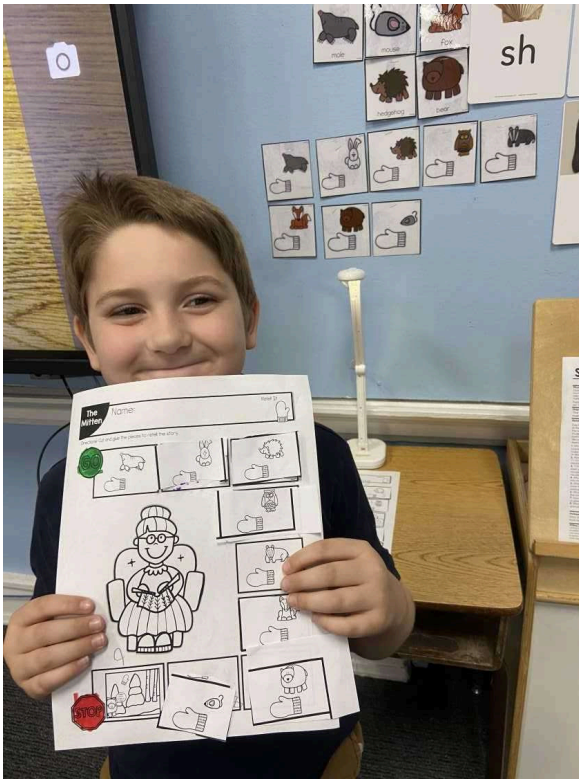












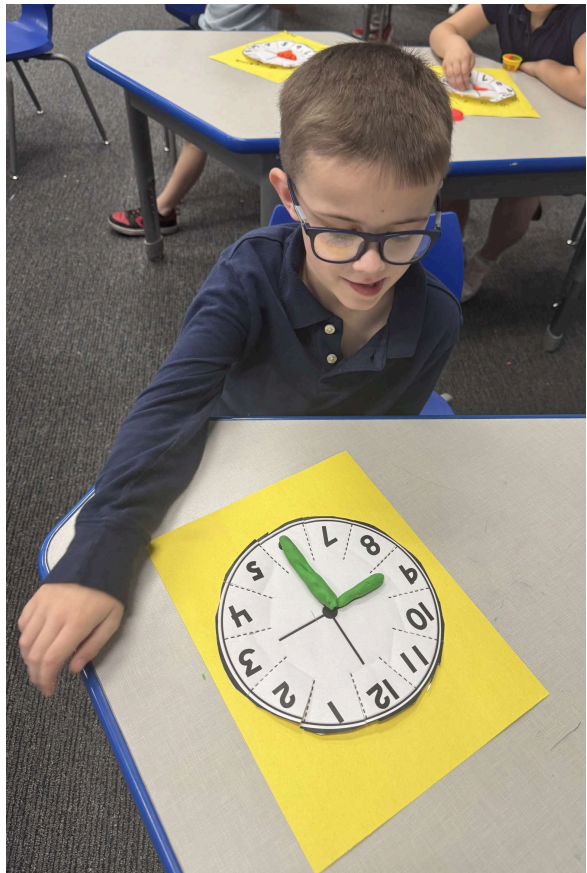




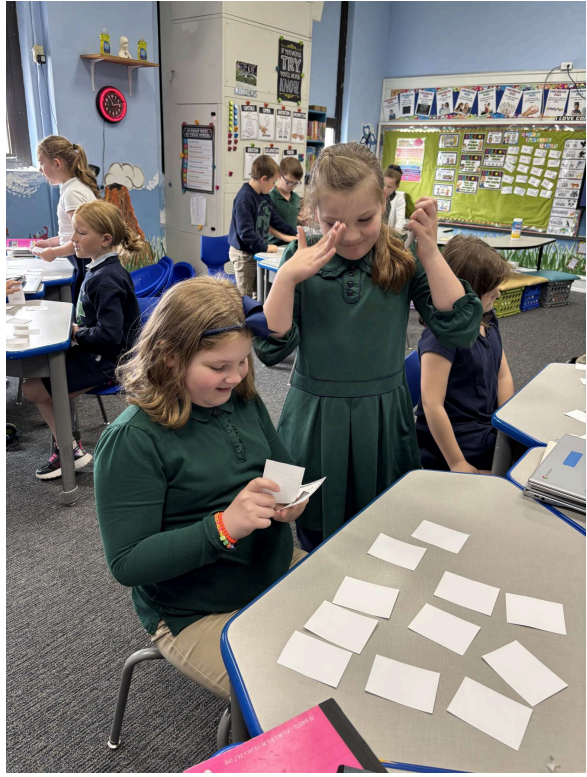
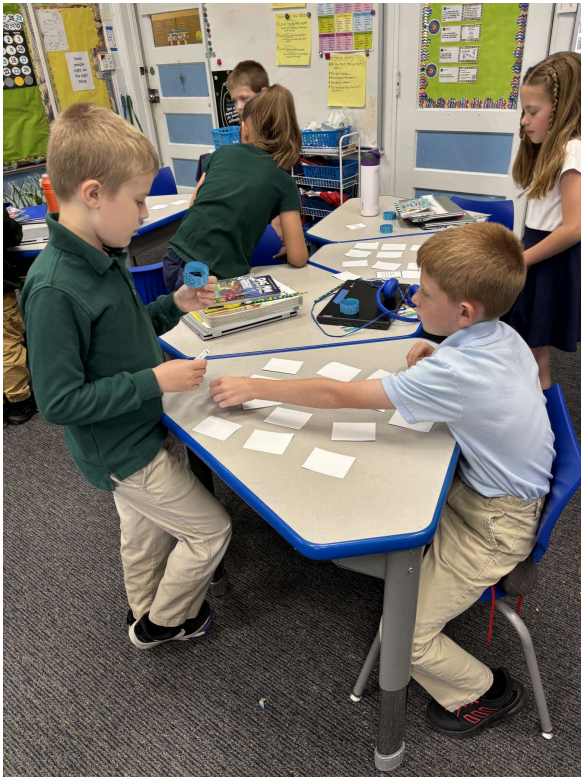




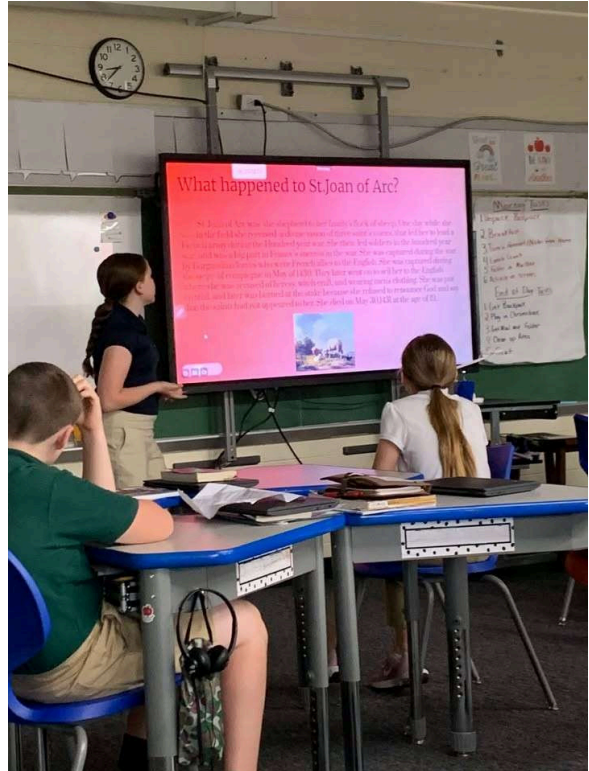




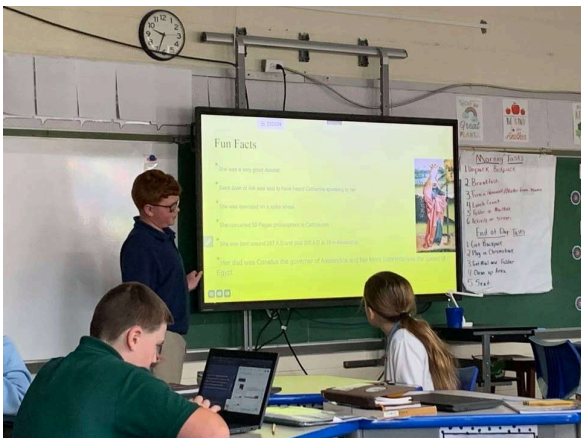
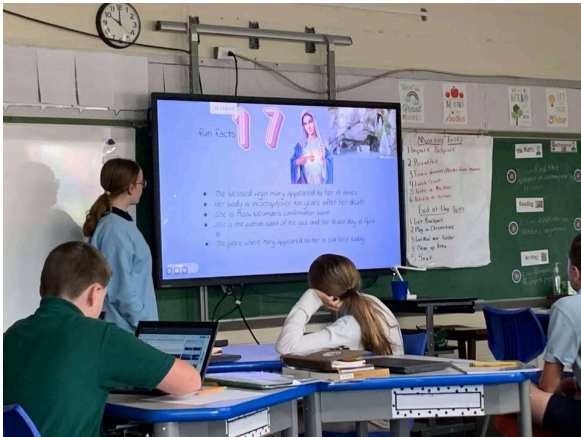
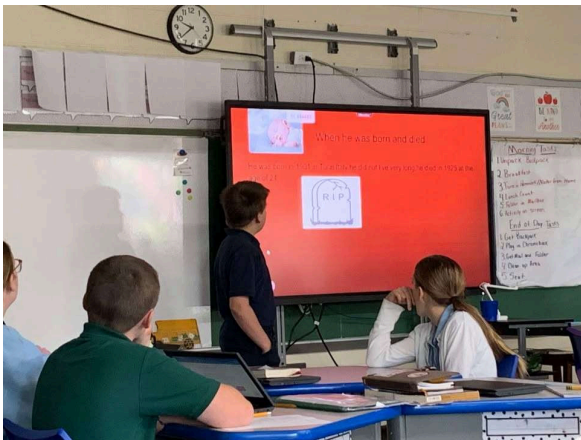
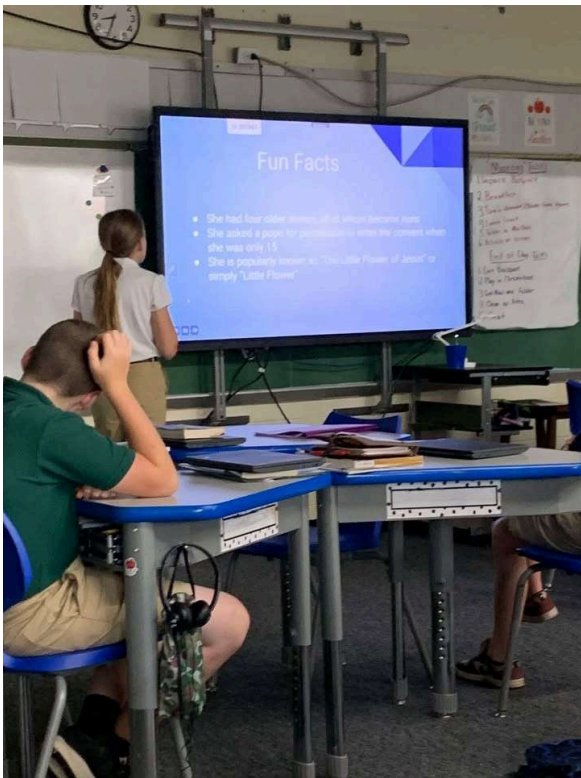




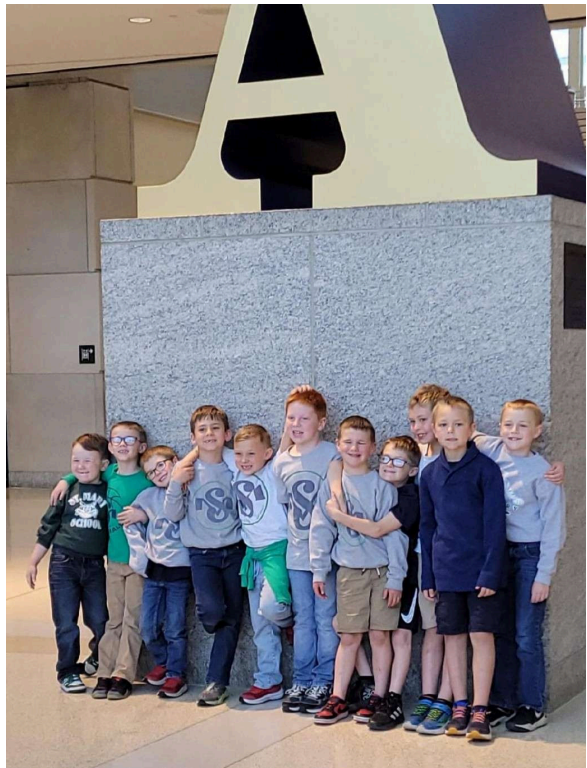
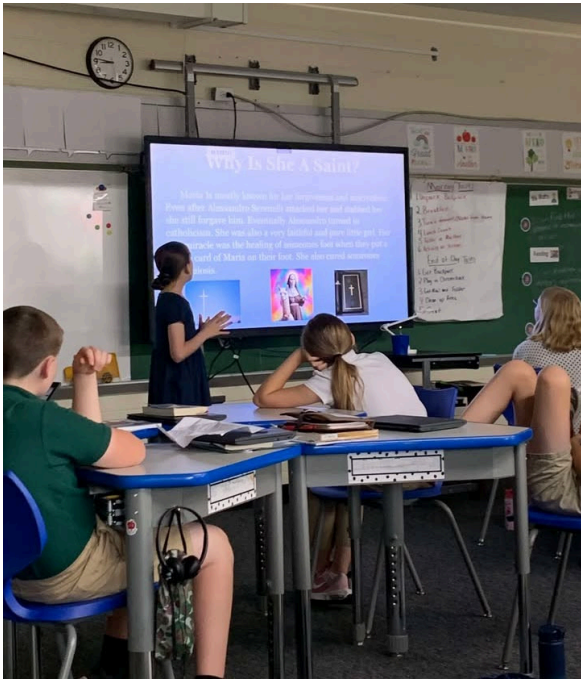












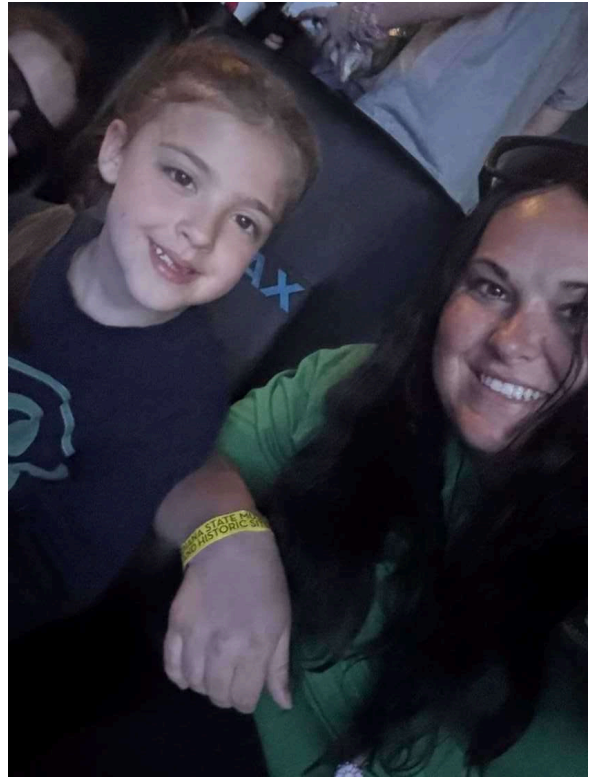








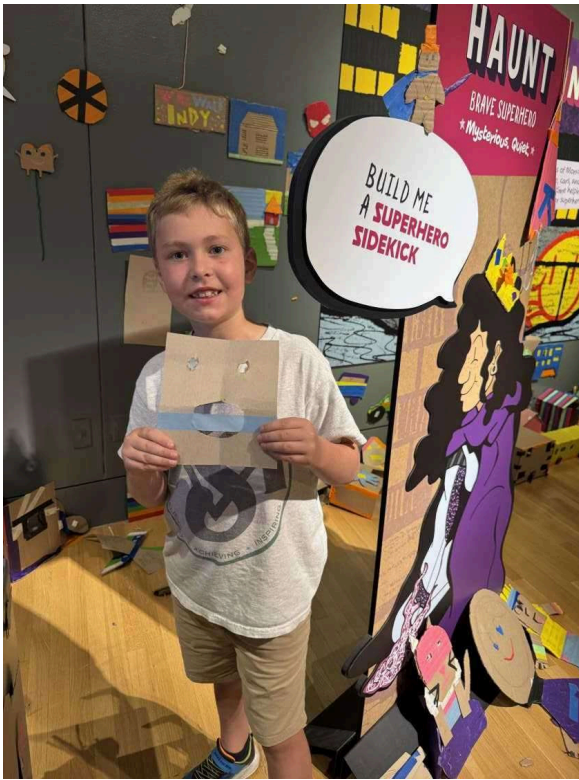




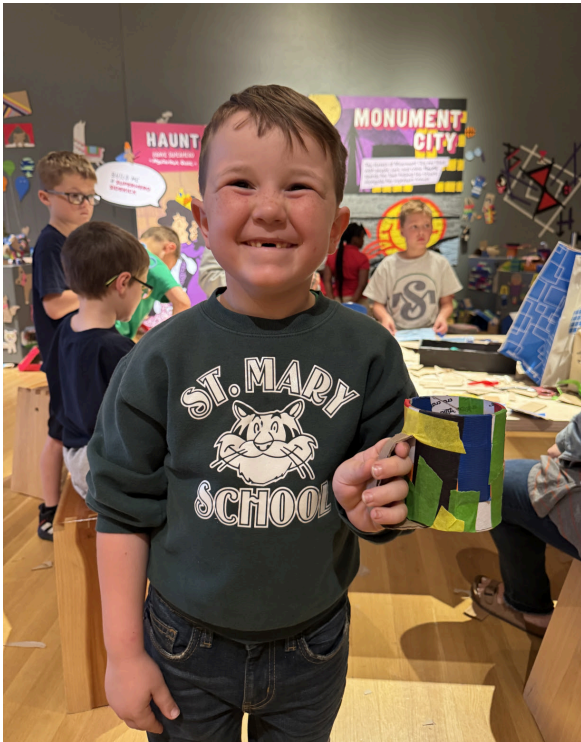
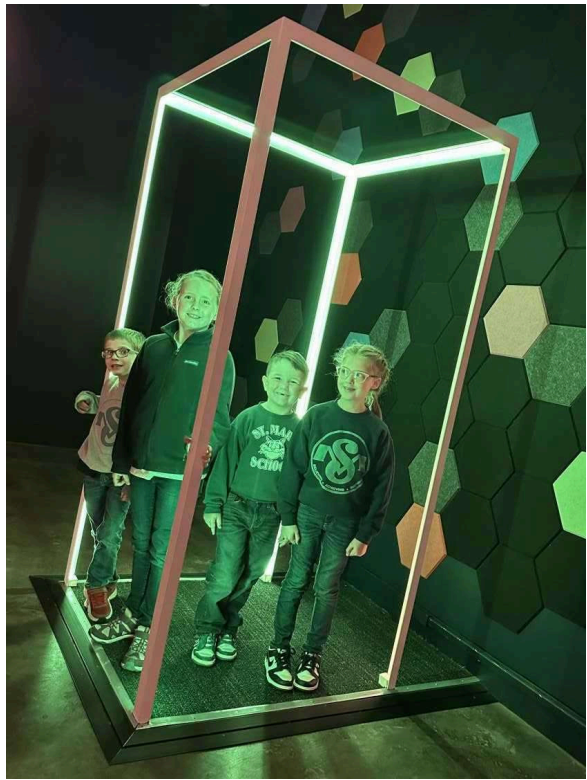
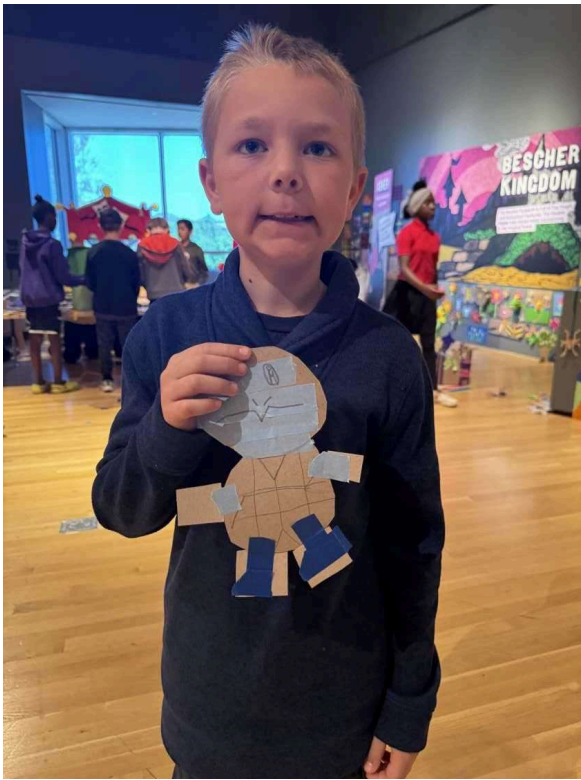




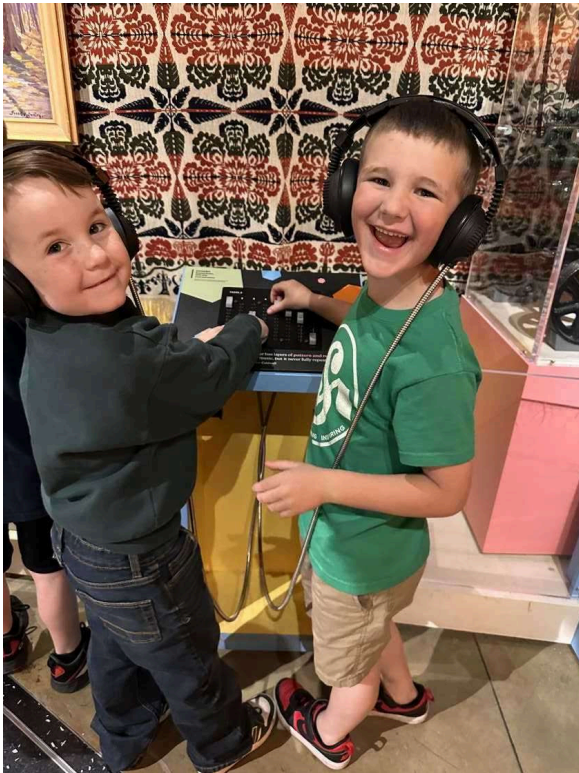












## Ongoing Fundraisers

- BoxTops for Education
- Kroger - register online at [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com), our number is **XJ640**
- Amazon Smile - [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)



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