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I am interested in volunteering:

- St James Uniform Swap
- Teacher Appreciation
- St James Men's Club
- Sunshine Squad
- Spring Musical
- Health and Safety Week
- Veteran's Day Breakfast
- Catholic Schools Week
- Field Day
- St James Merch (Student Spirit Shop & Spirit Store)
- Ice Cream Friday
- Fall Fest
- Santa Shop
- Breakfast with Santa
- Toy Bingo
- Student Christmas Ornaments
- Pictures with Santa
- Shoe Drive
- Spring Event (Bayou Bash or Fun Run TBD)



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St James Uniform Swap Details (2024-2025 Annually)

- Starting in the summer, St James families can shop gently used uniforms & apparel. Volunteers are needed throughout the year to collect and organize donations and staff events such as open house. Hours are flexible but the uniform area should be organized & maintained monthly.

Teacher Appreciation Committee (2024-2025 Annually)

- Starting in August, this committee arranges a monthly treat to celebrate the St James Faculty & Staff. Examples are: Welcome Back Breakfast, a Harvest Luncheon, Christmas Cookies & Goodies, Mardi Gras King Cakes etc. This group will also be responsible for the Teacher Appreciation Week (May 5-9, 2025).
- Things to consider: This group has traditionally supported through volunteering in service of time and/or personal financial donations. This is a great committee to be involved in if you are not physically able to volunteer due to work obligations but want to be involved.

St James Men's Club (Fall 2024-Spring 2025)

- Starting in the Fall, this committee of St James Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles and friends help us with the physical heavy lifting necessary to facilities events and activities. Volunteers historically have helped with setting up/taking down the stage, Santa Shop set up, Spring musical props. This is one of our newer committees that we would love to see grow & get involved.

Sunshine Squad (2024-2025)

- Starting in August, this committee is responsible for school spirit & bringing joy to the St James community. This group is responsible for banners, artwork, balloon arches, decorations and décor for events & activities throughout the year.
- Sunshine Squad is responsible for spreading joy and caring for our students. This committee is to help care for and serve those people in our school that have suffered hardships at any given time. Hardships may include births, deaths, hospitalizations, illnesses and any other unforeseen situations where we may show our love & service for others.



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Spring Musical (January 2025-May 2025)

- This committee is responsible for the facilitation & logistics of the Spring Musical directed by Mrs. Evans. The play is selected in December and production, auditions and practices begin in early Spring. Activities in this committee include monitoring practices, painting sets and creating props. Heavy involvement is needed 2 weeks leading up to show night(s).
- The Spring Musical Cast consists of St James Students grade 4-6. The choir consists of St James Students grades 1-3.
- This committee is also responsible for concessions for the 2-night show run. Concessions is open 2 hours prior to the show and during a short intermission.

Health & Safety Week (September 2024)

- This committee holds a health and safety week screening for students. Volunteers are needed to assist in the teddy bear clinic (PK3-2nd grade). Additional safety screenings (including vision, hearing, scoliosis and dental) are held for other grades.

Veterans Breakfast (November 2024)

- This committee celebrates the brave men & women serving in our armed forces. This committees holds a breakfast where students honor their family members with cards, flowers and more.
- Volunteers are needed to facilitate breakfast and other activities.

Catholic Schools Week (January 26- February 1, 2025)

- This is an event celebrating Catholic Schools nationally. St. James celebrates by having a week of fun activities planned through the school and supported through committee volunteers. An all-school family mass is included as well as a reception in the gym. Committee members are needed for setup and breakdown at the reception.
- We also use this week to celebrate & honor Grandparent's.

Field Day (Spring 2025)

- Springtime activity where students participate in fun outdoor activities to celebrate the St. James competitive spirit. Volunteers have traditionally assisted in game set up, game facilitation throughout the day.
- St James is looking to make this event spectacular, if you have suggestions and ideas please join this group.



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St. James Merch & Student Spirit Shop

- This committee is responsible for various t-shirt order fulfillment throughout specific times of year. This volunteer time is flexible. T-shirt orders consist of Fall Fest, Spring Musical and St James Spirit Wear.
- Student Spirit Shop is a fun activity for the kids and is held once per semester. This is a full school day commitment. Volunteers are asked to help students shop the carts (toys, trinkets, snacks), make change and have a great interaction with the students.
- We anticipate the dates being in late October and late February.

Ice Cream Friday's (2024-2025)

- Every Friday during the school year, St. James offers an opportunity to purchase an ice cream treat after lunch. Volunteers are needed to help facilitate ice cream sales.
- Ice Cream can be purchased during student's lunch period between the hours of 10:30-1:20.

Christmas Activities and Events

- Santa Shop (Monday 12/16-Wednesday 12/18)
 - Set up Saturday and Sunday 12/14-12/15.
 - Student Shopping Dates 12/16-12/18. All classes are assigned a time to shop.
 - Volunteers are needed to gift wrap, shop with students and deliver gifts to class. This is a special and beloved event but there is a heavy need for volunteers. Funds raised from this event go towards the Teacher Christmas bonus. We welcome parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and more.
- Toy Bingo (Thursday 12/19)
 - Volunteers are needed to help facilitate bingo with the students.
- Student Christmas Ornaments (TBD)
 - Volunteers are needed to help dip ornaments that the students make in art class. It's a 3-day commitment in December.
- Pictures with Santa & Visit from the Grinch (12/19)
 - Volunteer needed to arrange Santa and Grinch visit. Traditionally this is held on the half day before Christmas break during the classroom parties



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Shoe Us the Love Shoe Drive

- This Shoe Drive committee collects gently used or new shoes. By donating your shoes, you will be supporting micro-enterprises in developing countries and helps keeps shoes out of landfills. We partner with funds to orgs to facilitate this event.
- Volunteers are needed to collect and monitor collection bins at locations in the community as well as bag and bind shoes. The event is held for 60 days. Times are flexible. Funds to orgs pays us by the bag and those funds are used for end of the year Teacher Bonus.

Spring Event

- We would like to have a spring event. Traditionally the event is either Bayou Bash, which is an adult only mixer that we use to raise funds for Capital Investments, or it is a Fun Run held at Bayou Bluff and is family friendly. Right now, we are TBD on both/or events.
- This committee is open to suggestions and new ideas.