

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

80th ANNUAL CARNIVAL BALL

“1776! The Patriot’s Cause”

One of the biggest events and oldest traditions of the year at RCS is our annual Carnival Ball. We are looking forward to another great ball and hope that you will consider entering your child. Our theme this year is “1776! The Patriot’s Cause.”

Currently each participant will be guaranteed two tickets, apart from the High Court. The two-ticket guarantee is the same as every other year; however, we will be able to sell tickets at the door.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Date of the Ball: SATURDAY, February 22, 2025

Time and Place: 6pm, RCES School Gym

Date Contest Begins: Friday, November 22, 2024

Date Contest Ends: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025, at 1pm

**** PLEASE NOTE THAT MONEY IS DUE ON FRIDAY, NOT ON MONDAY. ****

Registration Form Due: MONDAY, January 13, 2025

All Ads Due: Monday, February 10, 2025, at 12pm

Tuxedo Fitting Deadline: DATE TBD: Fish Boutique, Pascagoula.

Must call for appointment (228) 355-6963.

Dress Approval Deadline: Friday, February 14, 2025 *all Middle/High School dresses must be submitted to Mrs. Sisson for approval.

*REMINDERS FOR FUNDRAISING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

There is now a fundraising minimum of \$2000 to be eligible for a Lady in Waiting position. The Grand Duke and Duchess position will require a \$4000 fundraising minimum to be eligible. King and Queen- \$10,000 fundraising minimum. If there is not a high school couple who raises the minimum, the position will not be awarded this year.

COMPLETE PACKETS ARE AVAILABLE UNDER “DOCUMENTS” ON THE RCSEAGLES.COM WEBSITE. YOU MAY ALSO PICK UP A HARD COPY OF THE PACKET IN THE OFFICE OF EITHER CAMPUS.

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONTEST ENTRY:

1. Complete the attached form and return to school no later than Monday, January 13, 2025. You must check either “pay now” and be billed through FACTS or “pay with fund raising” so we will know how to classify the entry form. **If you choose “pay with fundraising” and do not turn in your fees by February 14, 2025, it will automatically be billed through FACTS with a due date of February 17, 2025.**
2. **PK3-6th Grade:** \$150.00 per person* (\$300.00 per couple)
3. **7th-8th Grade:** \$150.00 per person* (\$300.00 per couple)
4. **9th – 12th Grade:** \$150.00 per person* (\$300.00 per couple)
5. **The entry fee will not be used to purchase a full-page ad. You must pay for ads separately from the entry fee.**
6. Boys may ask girls or girls may ask boys to run as couples. Couples may consist of mixed grade level; however, they may go up or down **one grade level only (PK – 8); two grade levels (9-12)**. Siblings may escort each other with multiple year separation. The position in the court will be listed under the girl’s grade. (6th grade participants may not go up a grade level; they must stay within the elementary school)
7. *** Boys are allowed to escort more than one girl ***
8. All high school ball participants (grades 9-12) will be allowed to work on decorations on Friday, February 21, 2025. They will be excused from classes only to work on the Ball, with the exception of any tests being given. Students must take tests that day, if applicable.

Turning in Money:

1. All money turned in **MUST** be in the form of checks made payable to RCS. (NO cash or coins are accepted).
2. You may turn in money at any time. Please be sure to place in an envelope and mark it clearly with the name of the child it should be credited to. All money amounts will be kept confidential by Finance Manager Mary Jensen.
3. All money turned in on Friday, February 14, 2025, **MUST** be turned into the **HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS** in the cafeteria (conference room) by 1:00 PM (no exceptions).
4. A record of all money submitted will be kept private and only revealed to the parent of that student.

5. Print-ready ads with forms and ad money must be turned in by Monday, February 10, 2025, at 12pm, no exceptions. Ads should be emailed to: carnivalball2025@gmail.com. Print ready formats: PNG, JPEG, or PDF.

Tickets:

- Your complimentary tickets will accompany your child's announcement of position. You will receive (2) per family *(except for the high court). Additional tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

Seating:

- High Court will receive priority seating. Seats will be marked with the High Court member's names. All other participants will be seated in the unmarked seats and bleachers.

Dress Code:

Girls: The Queen is the only participant allowed to wear a white gown.

Only the King and Queen wear crowns.

PK-2nd Grade girls may wear tea-length dresses.

GRADES 3- 12 MUST wear FLOOR length gowns and be age appropriate.

ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS MUST HAVE THEIR GOWNS APPROVED BY MRS. SISSON. NO EXCEPTIONS.

NO nude or sheer bodices, which give the illusion of plunging necklines. No nude/sheer mesh on the sides of the dress.

NO DRESSES with thigh high slits or high/low hemlines (short front and long backs.) NO EXCEPTIONS.

Gowns should be modest and have no visible cleavage, no bare midriff, or clinging silhouettes.

High school (9-12) girls must wear white or black full length (to elbow) gloves. Little girls in the High Court (train bearer, crown bearer, flower girl) may wear wrist-length white gloves.

FUNDRAISING

FUNDRAISING INFORMATION:

If you plan to do any fundraisers that require use of the school facilities, you must clear this with the principal. Also, there are fundraising information sheets attached to packet that must be completed and approved by the principal. This will allow you to distribute information to students through school handouts and will keep the Carnival Ball Committee informed of special fundraising activities. The fundraiser form is attached to the end of this packet.

There will be no limit on the number of “football squares” being sold. Multiple couples may sell squares for the same game.

***Any fundraisers that involve a raffle of any kind must be drawn and announced the night of the ball OR you may do a live stream of the drawing and post to Facebook to notify the winner.**

MATCHING GRANTS:

There are several companies within our community (Chevron, etc...) that offer employee donation match grants. Employees may use matching grants for the amount THEY ALONE donate. The matching grant can be applied to the participant of their choice **as long as ALL paperwork has been turned in. Please check with your company/institution to have them specify their specific requirements/procedure for this process as there have been changes made regarding this process with some companies. This will avoid any unforeseen problems or mix-ups at the last minute when money is turned in and placement in the court is awarded. If you do not have the confirmation of donation in hand to turn in, the Match cannot be counted toward the participant’s total. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU CHECK WITH YOUR COMPANY/INSTITUTION TO VERIFY REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO AVOID A DELAY IN RECEIVING CREDIT FOR THE DONATION.**

AD SALES:

We need everyone to help us make sure the ads are print ready when they are turned in. If not, we cannot guarantee they will be included. We do not have enough time to recreate ads that are not ready before we go to print the final product. Please remember the following:

1. Ad must be computer generated. Photos should be scanned in OR copies attached that will not be returned.
2. Canva is a free, easy-to-use app that can assist you in designing your ad. Please be sure to download the ad as a PNG, PDF or JPEG and email to: carnivalball2025@gmail.com
3. If you sell an ad for ½ page but turn in a business card, we will only print the business card “as is”. Please make sure they submit the card in proper size for the ad.
4. No hand-printed or “pencil” ads. They will not show up when printed.
5. **The entry fee will not be used to purchase a full-page ad. You must pay for ads separately from the entry fee.**

Each student will receive full credit for each ad sold. These can be individual or business ads. Please use the attached form for submitting ad sales. A letter is also provided to give to all participating businesses. This letter will serve as their tax deduction form. Please make them aware of this when you make the sale.

All ads must be “Print Ready” and submitted with money by Monday, February 10, 2025, at 12pm (PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS BEFORE FINAL MONEY IS DUE!) If your ad is received after February 10, 2025, we cannot guarantee that it will run in the program.

POSITIONS OPEN FOR COMPETITION (Elementary School)

Crowns will be awarded to King and Queen Positions ONLY... No other crowns or tiaras are to be worn

Little girls in the High Court (train bearer, crown bearer, flower girl, gift bearer) may wear wrist-length white gloves.

Pre-K, K and 1st -

- Crown Bearers – 1 couple (MINIMUM \$1000 fundraising)
 - Students compete as a couple from grades Pre-K-1. The couple bringing in the highest amount of money will be crown bearers to the King and Queen. Crown Bearer girl will receive a halo of flowers to wear in her hair.
- Flower Girl and Court Herald – 2 couples (MINIMUM \$1000 fundraising)
 - The two couples bringing in the second and third highest amounts of money will be flower girls to the Queen and Heralds to the King. The Flower Girls will receive halos of flowers to wear in their hair.
- Princess/Prince (MINIMUM \$500 fundraising)
 - The couple bringing in the next highest amount of money in each grade will be the prince/princess of that grade. Princesses will receive flower to carry.
- Maids and Escorts
 - All other participants will be maids and escorts

Grade 2 -

- Gift Bearers – 1 couple (MINIMUM \$1000 fundraising)
 - The couple raising the most money in 2nd grade will be Gift Bearers to the King and Queen.
- Princess/Prince (MINIMUM \$500 fundraising)
 - The couple bringing in the next highest amount of money in each grade will be the prince/princess of that grade. Princesses will receive flowers to carry.
- Maids and Escorts
 - All other participants will be maids and escorts

Grades 3-5 -

- Train Bearers (MINIMUM \$1000 fundraising)
 - Students compete as a couple from grades 3-5. The two couples in the group raising the most money will be trainbearers to the King and Queen. (Highest fundraiser will serve as Trainbearers to the Queen, 2nd Highest will serve as Trainbearers to the King.)
- Princess/Prince (MINIMUM \$500 fundraising)
 - The couple bringing in the next highest amount of money in each grade will be the prince/princess of that grade. Princesses will receive flowers to carry.
- Maids and Escorts
 - All other participants will be maids and escorts

Grade 6 -

- Lord and Lady of Elementary School (formerly “Captains”) (MINIMUM \$1000 fundraising)

- The top money raising couple in the 6th grade will be Lord and Lady of the Elementary School.
- Princess/Prince (MINIMUM \$500 fundraising)
- The couple bringing in the next highest amount of money in the 6th grade will be the prince/princess of that grade. Princesses will receive flowers to carry.
- Maids and Escorts
 - All other participants will be maids and escorts.

POSITIONS OPEN FOR COMPETITION (Middle School)

This year the Middle School girls (7th and 8th grade) will be allowed to participate without an escort if they wish to enter the ball without a partner. An usher will be made available to escort any Middle School girls.

Grades 7-8 –

- Captains of Middle School (MINIMUM \$1000 fundraising)
 - The top money raising couple/girl will be the Captains of the Middle School.
- Maids and Escorts
 - All other participants will be Maids and Escorts or Maids.

(High School)

Grades 9-12 –

- King Victor and Queen Victoria (MINIMUM \$10,000 fundraising)
 - The top money raising couple will be King Victor and Queen Victoria. ALL 9-12 COUPLES ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE KING AND QUEEN.
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- Grand Duke and Grand Duchess (MINIMUM \$4000 fundraising)
 - The couple bringing in the second highest amount of money will be the Grand Duke and Grand Duchess.

**A FUND-RAISING MINIMUM OF \$2000 IS REQUIRED TO BE ELIGIBLE
FOR A LADY IN WAITING POSITION**

- First Lady in Waiting and Duke
 - The couple bringing in the third highest amount of money will be the First Lady in Waiting and Duke. The Lady will receive flowers.
- Second Lady in Waiting and Duke
 - The couple bringing in the fourth highest amount of money will be the Second Lady in Waiting and Duke. The Lady will receive flowers.
- Third Lady in Waiting and Duke
 - The couple bringing in the fifth highest amount of money will be the Third Lady in Waiting and Duke. The Lady will receive flowers.
- Fourth Lady in Waiting and Duke
 - The couple bringing in the sixth highest amount of money will be the Fourth Lady in Waiting and Duke. The Lady will receive flowers.
- Maids and Escorts
 - All other participants will be maids and escorts

*****NOTE: GRADES 9-12, POSITIONS ON THE STAGE WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE AMOUNT OF MONEY RAISED AND NOT BY GRADE LEVEL. ******

LADY IN WAITING - \$2000 MINIMUM

GRAND DUKE/DUCHESS - \$4000 MINIMUM

KING/QUEEN - \$10,000 MINIMUM

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAPTAINS - \$1000 MINIMUM

CARNIVAL BALL REGISTRATION FORM

DUE BY: Monday, January 13, 2025

EACH STUDENT MUST FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM

My student has permission to participate in the competition for the Resurrection Catholic School Carnival Ball Court. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL THE RULES AND GUIDELINES, INCLUDING, THE UPDATED POSITIONS OPEN FOR COMPETITION AND THE DRESS CODE FOR THE EVENING OF THE BALL. MY CHILD WILL PARTICIPATE ACCORDING TO THE RULES INCLUDING, APPROVAL OF BALL ATTIRE BY MRS. SISSON. DEADLINE FOR ATTIRE APPROVAL IS FEBRUARY 14, 2025.

Name of Student (Girl)* *(As it will be listed in the program)*

First _____ **Middle** _____ **Last** _____

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parent Names *(As it will be listed in the script)*

Name of Student (Boy) *(As it will be listed in the program)*

First _____ **Middle** _____ **Last** _____

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parent Names *(As it will be listed in the script)*

Parent Phone No: _____ email: _____

Parent Signature _____

Entry Fee: _____ Pay Now (billing through FACTS)

_____ Pay with Fundraising Money

*Couple will compete in girl's grade.

For questions, please email: carnivalball2025@gmail.com

2025 RCS CARNIVAL BALL FUNDRAISING APPROVAL FORM

Date Submitted: _____

Carnival Ball Participants:

Date of Fundraising:

Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Place of Event: _____

Time of Day (if applicable): _____

Fundraising Event description:

Parent's Name and Phone Number: _____

Approved: _____

* THIS FORM ONLY APPLIES TO FUNDRAISERS THAT WILL BE
SOLD/OCCUR ON EITHER CAMPUS.

**Resurrection Catholic School
Carnival Ball Ad Form**

Business Card Ad (3.5"x 2"):	\$	35.00
¼ Page Ad (3.5"x 5"):	\$.	60.00
½ Page Ad (7.5"x 5"):	\$.	90.00
Full Page Ad (7.5"x 10"):	\$	150.00

Name of Business or Individual: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Sold by (Name of Student): _____

Size of Ad: _____ Amount: \$ _____

**ALL ADS MUST BE PRINT READY WHEN SUBMITTED.
PLEASE USE THE SIZES LISTED ABOVE.
EMAIL COMPLETED AD (IN PNG, PDF or JPEG form) to
CarnivalBall2025@gmail.com**

All Ads Are Due by Monday, February 10, 2025 @ 12pm

Please detach the receipt below and give to the ad purchaser:

Resurrection Catholic School 2025 Carnival Ball Ad Receipt:

Name of business/buyer: _____

Date of Ad purchased: _____

Circle Ad purchased:

Business Card Ad:	\$	35.00
¼ Page Ad:	\$	60.00
½ Page Ad:	\$	90.00
Full Page Ad:	\$	150.00

***Contact the RCS office for tax id information* Thank you for your support.**

HALL OF FAME

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL:

RCMHS Hall of Fame is one of the highest honors a student may receive at Resurrection Catholic School. Hall of Fame inductees embody the spirit of Resurrection Catholic School. These students exemplify the following virtues: leadership, commitment, dependability, integrity, and scholarship. In addition, these students strive to excel in their academic pursuits.

REQUIREMENTS FOR HALL OF FAME INDUCTION:

- Leadership positions (extra points)
- Service
- Grades (honor roll points)
- Behavior (no infractions – or very few and minor)
- Involvement in campus life (clubs, activities, etc.)
- Carnival Ball participant at least once in middle school (for current 7,8, and 9 graders) and twice in high school (for ALL students). Students may earn a point per year that they participate in CB). For making court, students receive extra points.
- School attendance (no more than 15 days absent per year – grades 7-12)

RECOGNITION FOR HALL OF FAME:

- Photo displayed on Joseph Hall – FOREVER!!
- Photo on Hall of Fame page in yearbook
- Medal (not cord) at graduation (the Medal is large and BEAUTIFUL)
- Recognition on social media

CARNIVAL BALL AND HALL OF FAME:

Carnival Ball Participants automatically earn a point for each year they participate in carnival ball. For every year that participants raise over \$2,000, they may earn one extra point for each \$2,000. For example, if Participant “A” raises four thousand dollars, she earns three points – 1 point for participation, 1 point for \$2,000, and additional 1 point for \$2,000.

REMEMBER: You cannot be inducted in HALL OF FAME if you do not participate in Carnival Ball at least once in middle school (7 and 8) and twice in high school (9, 10, 11, 12). The exception to this rule is “new” students. If a student transfers to RCS during high school after ninth grade is complete, he or she may be permitted to only participate once in CB in high school.

HALL OF FAME RUBRIC:

Hall of Fame is determined through a point system (rubric). All of the above requirements, earn points. In addition, bonus points are added for leadership positions, awards (academic, Who’s Who, Virtue of the Month, Rotary Student of the Month, etc.), participation in leadership workshops – such as Trent Lott, HOBY, Singing River Electric Youth Forum, etc.), and activities like Mayor’s Youth Council.

**Resurrection Catholic School
CARNIVAL BALL SENIOR BIOGRAPHY**

“1776! The Patriot’s Cause!”

**Please return via EMAIL to alachaussee@rcseagles.com
RETURN VIA EMAIL NO LATER THAN February 14, 2025**

**THE SENIOR BIO MUST BE SUBMITTED IN GOOGLE DOCS AND EMAILED
TO: alachaussee@rcseagles.com**

Parents: Please write up your child's biography and email back. Make sure you include all honors, awards, and recognitions your child has received at RCS or any outside organization or church. You may submit numbered answers via Google doc. You do not have to type in the headings for each topic. Thank you

1. Name: _____

2. Parents: _____

3. Family History at Resurrection/OLV:

4. How long attended Resurrection:

5. Favorite High School Memory:

6. Awards Received:

7. Honors and Favorite Activities:

8. Where do you plan to attend College?

9. Hobbies:

10. Additional Information: