82nd Annual Carnival Ball

"Victorian Garden: A Stroll through Kensington"

Information Packet

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RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

82nd ANNUAL CARNIVAL BALL

"Victorian Garden: A Stroll through Kensington"
Friday, January 29,2027,
7:00 p.m.

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 *"Victorian Garden: A Stroll through Kensington."*

Please note that the ball is very early this year because of the quick Mardi Gras season.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Date of the Ball:	FRIDAY, January 29, 2027
Time and Place:	**7pm, RCES School Gym**
Date Contest Begins:	Friday, November 20, 2026
Date Contest Ends:	**FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2027, by 1pm**
Registration Form Due:	Monday, December 21, 2026
All Ads Due:	**Monday, January 4, 2027 at 12pm**

Tuxedo Fitting Deadline: Fish Boutique will come to do measurements at each campus on **December 1st** (RCMHS) and **2nd** (RCES); if your child is absent please call for appointment (228) 355-6963. Please send payment to school that date.

Dress Approval Deadline: Friday, January 16, 2027*
*all Middle/High School dresses must be submitted to Mrs. Sisson for approval.

***REMINDERS FOR FUNDRAISING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

There is 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.

CARNIVAL BALL REGISTRATION FORM

DUE BY: *Monday, December 21, 2026*

EACH STUDENT MUST FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM

Please be sure that you submit a separate form for each girl and each boy.

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 JANUARY 16, 2027.

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)*

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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)*

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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: alachaussee@rcseagles.com

2027 RCS CARNIVAL BALL FUNDRAISING APPROVAL FORM

Please note: this is only for fundraisers held on campus of either school.

Date Submitted: _____

Carnival Ball Participants:

_____

_____

Date of Fundraising:

Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Place of Event: _____

Time of Day (if applicable): _____

Fundraising Event description:

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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
2027carnivalball@gmail.com

All Ads Are Due by Monday, January 4, 2027 @ 12pm

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

Resurrection Catholic School 2026 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.**

Resurrection Catholic School
CARNIVAL BALL SENIOR BIOGRAPHY

"Victorian Garden: A Stroll through Kensington"

Please return via EMAIL to alachaussee@rcseagles.com
RETURN VIA EMAIL NO LATER THAN December 21, 2026

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

Please write up your biography and email back. Make sure you include all honors, awards, and recognitions you have 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. Please note that we will use discretion on what will be included in the biography. We have many seniors participating in the ball and simply cannot include every piece of personal information you include. We just to vary each bio in order to make it more interesting for our guests. Thank you

1. Name:
2. Parents:
3. Family History at Resurrection/OLV (what generation student are you—i.e. if your parent attended RCS/OLV, you are a 2nd generation student)
4. How long have you attended Resurrection?
5. Where do you attend church?
6. Awards Received:
7. Honors and Favorite Activities:
8. What is your favorite high school memory?
9. Where do you plan to attend College?
10. Hobbies:
11. Additional Information:

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONTEST ENTRY:

1. **Complete the entry form and return to school no later than Monday, December 21, 2027. 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 January 22, 2027, it will automatically be billed through FACTS with a due date of January 29, 2027.**
2. **Entry fee for all participants PreK-3 –12th Grade:** $150.00 per person* ($300.00 per couple)
3. **The entry fee will not be used to purchase a full-page ad. You must pay for ads separately from the entry fee.**
4. 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)
5. The Carnival Ball committee is NOT responsible for finding participants an escort.
6. *** Boys are allowed to escort more than one girl ***
7. **All high school ball participants (grades 9-12) will be allowed to work on decorations on Thursday, January 28, 2027. 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.**
8. **Ball rehearsal will take place on Friday, January 29 at 8:00 a.m. It is recommended that young ladies bring the shoes they will wear in the ball to use during rehearsal.**

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 prior to the deadline. 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 may be turned in directly to Ms. Jensen on Friday, January 22, 2026 on the high school campus in the business office (Ms. Jensen's office) 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, January 4, 2027, at 12pm, no exceptions. Ads should be emailed to:** 2027carnivalball@gmail.com. **Print ready formats: PNG, JPEG, or PDF only.**

Tickets:

- Your complimentary tickets will be sent home with your child in the week prior to the ball. You will receive (2) per family *(except for the high court). Additional tickets will be available for purchase for $10 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 outgoing and incoming 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 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 ONLY 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 video 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: 2027carnivalball@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, January 4, 2027, at 12pm (PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS BEFORE FINAL MONEY IS DUE!) If your ad is received after January 4, 2027, we cannot guarantee that it will run in the program.

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 spirt 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.

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. The couple will choose ONE song to which they will walk out, to be approved by the school.

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, and the couple will chose their own walk-out song, to be approved by the school.
- 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, and the couple will chose their own walk-out song, to be approved by the school.
- 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, and the couple will chose their own walk-out song, to be approved by the school.
- 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, and the couple will choose their own walk-out song, to be approved by the school.

- 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

TUXEDO RENTALS

FISH Boutique will be handling our tuxedo rentals again this year. *All participants are required to rent the same tuxedo from this store; personal tuxedos or any variation of the tuxes is strictly prohibited*. Shelby Bauer will again come to each campus to conduct measurements the week after Thanksgiving and receive payment. If your child is absent on that day, you will be responsible for bringing him to the store to be fitted. She will also deliver tuxedoes to the school as they come in. Please check your child's tux to be sure that everything is there and that it all fits properly. *If there is any trouble with your tux, please do not contact the school; all questions should be directed to Ms. Bauer.* For Tuxedo return… students will bring their tuxedoes TO SCHOOL THE MONDAY AFTER THE BALL to give them to Ms. Bauer! The on-campus services that Shelby is providing is free of charge are a wonderful service for parents. Please be sure to express your appreciation for her efforts, especially since we don't have to travel to Biloxi or Mobile for tuxedo rental.

PHOTO TIMES

All students are asked to arrive promptly at their designated times in order to take professional pictures with their partner. Once students arrive for pictures, they are not permitted to leave the Delmas Activities Center until after the ball. They will go to their assigned waiting room until the ball begins. The cost of ONE SET of pictures is covered by your entry fee. If parents would like to have additional pictures taken (i.e. of siblings who are in the ball or single pictures), they may pay an additional fee to Perry McMichael on the night of the ball. Parents are not permitted in the photo area.

Arrival times:
4:30 p.m. High School participants
5:15 p.m. Middle School participants
5:45 p.m. Elementary School participants
6:15 p.m. King and Queen