

COUGAR PRESS

From the Principal's desk

We are excited to move into the beginning of the Second Quarter of our fantastic school year! We would like to thank our amazing PTO and Anastasia I6 Church for hosting a fun filled evening at our 2017 Fall Festival! We had an evening of great food, fellowship, and fun. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make the Fall Festival a huge success. We are also excited to kick off our first Book Fair for the school year. Please encourage your child to continue a lifetime for the joy and love of reading.

Our Character Pillar for the month of October is Responsibility. We want to congratulate all of our students who were selected to represent their class for the character trait of Responsibility. We will celebrate our students for Responsibility on Thursday, November 2 at 9 am. Remember, parents and guardians, you must be cleared by the district to attend these celebrations.

We are extremely proud of all of our students for their hard work during the First Nine Weeks. The Administration will visit each grade level in early November and celebrate our Honor Roll students for their continued pursuit of excellence in their academics!

Congratulations to Robyn Rice for being selected by iNK (Investing in Kids) to have her fund-a-project funded! On October 31, she was presented with the funding approval by iNK in partnership with Beaver Toyota. We are excited for this opportunity to help encourage our students.

Heartfelt 

THANKS

TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

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Volunteer of the Year

Crookshank is extremely blessed to have amazing volunteers! This year, we celebrate our Volunteer of the Year, Desiray Miller and our Senior Volunteer of the Year, Henry Riemersma.

Mr. Henry is in his 4th year volunteering 2 times each week supporting teachers and students in math instruction. Averaging 2.5 hours per week, his total for a year is 189.4 hours. Due to circumstances he has just become aware of, he is beginning to increase his time spent here at school.

He first began with 4 students and as he saw the need, increased the number to 8 and now works with 11 students. Mr. Henry adds to the materials provided by teachers to make the math concepts more concrete and to show the students that math can be fun!

He is such an amazing asset to our school. Here are some of the ways he influences our students:

Engages with each student, Gives students increased time practicing math skills, increases students' math vocabulary, increases comprehension of word problems, increases confidence in the student as they approach math and most of all he cares about each student!



We have very few male volunteers at our school and Mr. Henry is the ONLY male that tutors math.

He teaches the student to think and work mathematically.

Mr. Henry builds caring relationships as he exhibits unending patience and models consistency and dependability.

Mr. Henry has created a reward system using Jenga Blocks to keep student engaged.

To illustrate his great love for all his students, on one occasion, Mr. Henry noticed a student's glasses were falling apart so, with the teacher's permission, he took the glasses, had them repaired and brought them back the same day.

Crookshank is very blessed to have Mr. Henry Riemersma as our Senior Volunteer of The Year!!

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John A. Crookshank elementary is a Title I school. With our population demographics, it is a difficult task to recruit and encourage students, families and community/business members to volunteer and help raise funds to support and celebrate our students and teachers with supplies, equipment, and field trips.

The hours totaling 177.2 do not reflect the amount of time Mrs. Miller donates to our school. Many hours she has spent planning and working on things for Crookshank that aren't recorded.

In her now 11th year as a volunteer, Mrs. Miller, not only stepped up to the plate as President of the PTO, she brought with her a vision and a goal. In her second year as PTO President, Mrs. Miller has an uncanny ability to bring everyone together. She has strengthened our PTO-enabling them to expand the services they offer to our parents and teachers.

Community relationships and business partnerships have flourished. She does not limit her role as President of the PTO, she volunteers her time and skills to whatever project or need is presented to her with a gracious smile and enthusiasm. Her love and pride for the students, faculty and staff at Crookshank Elementary is strong and clear. Faculty and staff appreciation days are full of decoration, food and surprises throughout the week. She ensures that every door to every classroom or office is personalized. Everyone feels special and appreciated. She expresses her appreciation through her hard work and dedication to the Crookshank Family.

Time is a valuable commodity and Mrs. Miller gives 110%. We believe this is the perfect opportunity to announce publicly our appreciation for her by nominating her for Volunteer of the Year.





Congratulations

Bailey Benoit, School Counselor

Teacher of the year

Angie Schreiner, 3rd Grade

Rookie Teacher of the year

Ralph Waldrop, Maintenance Coordinator

Employee of the year



The next SAC meeting will be on November 16. This meeting is open to all parents and staff



Get ready for the 2017-2018 Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, November 16.

Remember, in order to eat lunch with your child, you must be an approved volunteer.



Attention Parents:

If you pick your child up in the parent pick up line, we are asking that you wait until you are out of line to talk on the phone. It is safest for our students and employees



John A. Crookshank Elementary is an AVID school. AVID's mission and vision to provide a comprehensive model of success for all students, from elementary through higher education.

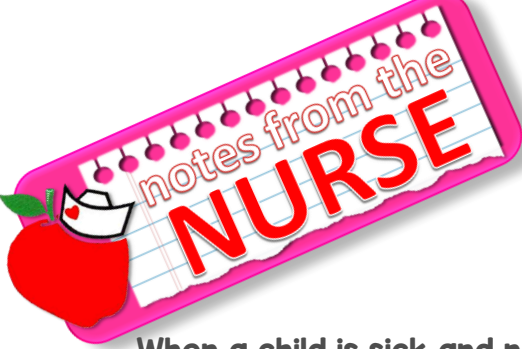
Crookshank's AVID 2017-2018 Plan

Inquiry is moving students away from superficial memorization and instead promotes critical thinking and a more holistic understanding of the content.

Collaboration allows for academic content to be infused with social development with support from one another to expand their own understanding and views.

As an AVID strong school, we want to celebrate the various colleges and Universities that are represented at CES. Be sure to wear your favorite college t-shirt each Wednesday and help us focus on continuing education for our CES cougars!





ILLNESS GUIDELINES

When a child is sick and needs to stay home, parents should contact the school and describe the illness and symptoms. If a medical provider makes a specific diagnosis (such as strep throat, conjunctivitis or chicken pox), let school staff know.

Deciding when to keep your child home from school can be difficult. Here are some guidelines when a child should stay home:

- Fever greater than 100 degrees
- Chills
- General tiredness or not feeling good
- Frequent congested (wet) or croup-sounding cough
- Lots of nasal congestion with frequent blowing of nose
- Vomiting (even just once)
- Diarrhea
- Stomach pain that is accompanied by repeated vomiting or diarrhea. Note: if you child complains of stomach pain for several days, your should call your doctor for advice.
- Symptoms of cold or flu

The two biggest factors when deciding whether a child can attend school is whether he or she is well enough to take part in activities and whether the child's condition will require more attention from teachers or staff than is possible.

PREVENTION GUIDELINES

Hand Washing

Washing your hands is the most significant step for preventing the spread of germs and illness. Here are some important instances when to wash your hands to help control the spread of illness:

- Before you eat
- After using the bathroom
- After coughing or sneezing
- When your hands are dirty
- Before, after, and during preparing food
- After petting an animal

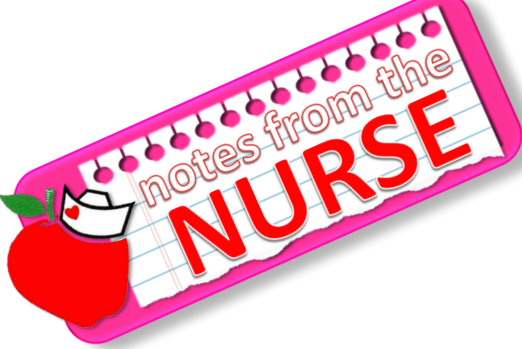
If you do not wash your hands frequently, you pick up germs from other sources then infect yourself when you:

- Touch your eyes
- Or your nose
- Or your mouth

The correct way to wash your hand is:

- First wet your hands and apply soap.
- Next rub your soapy hands together for 20 seconds (about the time it takes to sign the ABC song or Happy Birthday song).
- Make sure both sides of your hand are covered in soap. Don't forget to scrub fingertips and between fingers.

Rinse well and dry your hands.



COVERING YOUR COUGH

It is important to always cover your mouth when you cough to help stop the spread of germs. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advise:

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Put your used tissue in the waste basket.
- If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, not your hands.

Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for 20 seconds.

FLU SEASON

It is important that we work together to keep our children and school healthy. Protect yourself and others by following these simple steps:

- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds to help prevent germs from spreading.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth because the virus can spread when your hands touch surfaces that are infested with germs.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing and sneezing and throw away your used tissues, or cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- Don't share drinks, water bottles, eating utensils, cell phones with friends.

The flu is not a cold. If you have a stuffy nose, sneezing, sore throat and a hacking cough, you probably have a COLD. If you have a high fever, severe headache, muscle and body aches, extreme tiredness and a dry cough, you probably have the FLU.

If you think you might have the flu while at school, visit your school nurse. Together, you can discuss your symptoms. If the nurse thinks you could possibly have the flu, she can notify your parents and request that you see a doctor.

FOR OTHER HEALTH INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR KIDS, PARENTS, AND TEENS VISIT THIS WEBSITE [HTTP://KIDSheALTH.ORG/](http://kidshealth.org/)



CALLING ALL PARENTS TO JOIN THE LICE SQUAD!!!!

PLEASE REVIEW THE INFORMATION TO HELP PREVENT AND CONTROL HEAD LICE. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED. PLEASE MAKE IT A ROUTINE TO CHECK YOUR CHILD'S HEAD ONCE A WEEK ON A REGULAR BASIS, TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT NOT SHARING HATS, COMBS, BRUSHES, HAIR BANDS, ETC. IF HAIR IS LONG, PLEASE CONSIDER WEARING HAIR UP.



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON LICE, PLEASE CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES:

[HTTP://WWW.LICESOLUTIONS.ORG/](http://www.licesolutions.org/)

[HTTP://KIDSheALTH.ORG](http://kidshealth.org)

[HTTPS://WWW.CDC.GOV/PARASITES/LICE/HEAD/INDEX.HTML](https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/index.html)



Fl♥rida KidCare HEALTH AND DENTAL INSURANCE

Head to toe coverage for all Florida kids from birth through the end of age 18, even if one or both parents are working.

Most families pay nothing at all, and many families pay just \$15 or \$20 a month. Full-pay options are also available.

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Cobertura desde la cabeza hasta los pies para todos los niños de la Florida desde el nacimiento hasta completar los 18 años de edad, aun cuando uno o ambos padres trabajen.

La mayoría de las familias no pagan nada en absoluto, y muchas familias solamente pagan \$15 o \$20 al mes. También hay disponibles opciones de pago completo.

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VETERANS DAY

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

**John A. Crookshank Elementary School
Will be honoring all veterans with a special ceremony!!**

**Friday, November 10, 2017 - 9:00 AM at
the Crookshank flagpole**

**You are cordially invited to join all the
students and staff
of John A. Crookshank Elementary
School
as we honor our local veterans!**



**We would be so excited to have you join us!
You will need to have clearance from our front office to attend
the ceremony.**

Please call 904-547-7840 for more information.



**If your child is an honor roll student
and you purchase a ticket for the
Taxslayer Bowl you will get a free
ticket. If your child is in a primary
grade (K-2) and gets all Satisfactory
on their report card AND you buy a
ticket, you also get a free ticket. The
Taxslayer Bowl is Saturday Dec. 30th
at 12:00 PM at Everbank Field. Infor-
mational papers will be sent home
shortly. Each ticket costs \$25.00. All
payments for tickets must be re-
turned by Tuesday Nov. 28th.**

Questions:

Contact Deb Damon @ 904-669-3254

Believe it...Achieve it...
Leave your mark





Crookshank Families:

WE ARE IN NEED OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS THAT THE STUDENTS CAN BRING IN FOR THE ART ROOM!

- TOILET/PAPER TOWEL ROLLS
- EGG CARTONS
- LIDS TO CIRCULAR JARS
- TAKE OUT PLASTIC CONTAINERS
- NEWS PAPER

MS. HAUBER WILL HAVE BOXES IN HER ROOM SO THAT THE STUDENTS CAN PLACE THESE ITEMS OR TEACHER CAN DROP OFF EASILY.

an easy way to earn cash for your school!

Look for the pink Box Top coupon on hundreds of participating products. Each is worth 10¢ for your school!

1

Buy your favorite Box Tops products.

2

Cut out the Box Top from each package.

3

Send your Box Tops to school with your child.

4

Your school gets cash for every Box Top collected to help buy the things it needs most. All those Box Tops really add up!

Thank you to everyone who participated in bringing in Box-tops! The total collected from this collection was \$581.10. Remember we can not use expired Boxtops. Your child can bring in Boxtops to their teacher on any day. The next collection from the classrooms will be Friday Feb. 2nd. The top 3 classes from this Boxtops collection were: Ms. Brower's, Mrs. Cacchio's, and Mrs. Matthiesen's classes.



During Gifted Resource, Mrs. Brim's students analyzed their strengths and areas for improvement, with a growth mindset. They created a sculpture of wooden planks, that represent their talents, passions, and opportunities for growth.

LAST MONTH'S CHARACTER COUNTS WINNERS

Mia Ashton	Natalia Kieloch	Jaylyn Williams	Isabella Kotrady
Ms. Cribbs	Ms. Lloyd	Ms. Cantrell	Ms. Cacchio
Calaya Glass	Maegan Blais	Jack Warner	Van Westbrook
Mr. Ahr	Ms. Wolfe	Ms. Richardson	Ms. Fernandez
Caitlin Mills	Leila Bardo	Mya Erwin	Brooklyn Kenyon
Ms. Crumb	Ms. Daniels	Ms. Robinson	Ms. Brown
Amir Chase	Archer DeBarros	Aleida Blanco	Alex Kassay
Ms. Masciarelli	Ms. Evans	Mr. Velsor	Ms. Allen
Taniyah Jones	Mikey Torkar	McKayla Markovich	Trinity Gill
Ms. Wheaton	Ms. Fortus	Ms. Courter	Ms. Lindsey
Aryah Powell	Ka'Nija Smiley	Raylee Walker	Jordan Thomas
Ms. Mason	Ms. Elder	Ms. Keating	Ms. Hobbs
Lyric Gibson	Sophia Masciarelli	Caidyn Rice	Ava Cadek
Ms. Noffel	Ms. Jones	Ms. Schreiner	Ms. Gibson
Promise Busch	Alayah Powell	Keyawn Brady	Ruaidhri Doyle
Ms. Pereira	Ms. Neilson	Ms. Matthiesen	Mr. Miller
Charlotte Kaspar	Gwen Pelchat	Gabby Lischio	Malina Jackson
Ms. McQuaig	Ms. Angelo	Ms. Preysz	Mr. Whitaker
Kolt Cooper	Karlee MacDonald	Ella Carter	Isabelle Freeman
Ms. Smith	Ms. Ahr	Ms. Simcoe	Ms. Brower
Lucy Kennelly	La'shaylynn McCall	Ayden Rose	Jalynn Cubbedge
Ms. Smolek	Mr. Matthiesen	Ms. Vitolo	Ms. Dunn
Aiden Jordan	Alexus Cook	Grayson Taylor	
Ms. Werner	Ms. Hoessler	Mr. Kennedy	

Special Thanks to :

Rita Blanco, The Miller Family, and Heather Corbin for their gracious donations and support to the P.A.W.S. Behavior Incentive Program. You are appreciated!



October's Pillar: Responsibility

- Do what you are supposed to do:
- Plan ahead
 - Be diligent
 - Persevere
 - Do your best
 - Use self-control
 - Be self-disciplined · Think before you act
 - Be accountable for your words, actions, and attitudes · Set a good example for others

Cougar Coupon Winners

Date	Student Winner	Teacher
9/28	Chase Smallwod	Fortus
	Aerianna Bass	Jones
	Alayah Powell	Nielson
	Katie O'shell	Jones
	Alyssa Guillen	Lindsey
	Tyreese Douglas	Brown
	Emily Gonzalez	Cacchio
	Luis Coello	Miller
10/6	Ammon Perussina	Robinson
10/13	Dimitri Francis	Vitolo
	Madyline Wil-	
	kinson	Preysz
	Jack Skaggs	Brown
10/20	Daniela Resto	Fernandez
	Carland Beasley	Richardson
	Danielle Clark	Fernandez
	Tyquavious Har-	
	rison	Dunn
	Ana Willets	Hobbs
	Yaneidy Camacho	Robinson