



COUGAR NEWS

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Dear Crookshank Cougar Families,

I hope you that you and your family are doing well and were able to enjoy time with family and friends this summer. We also hope your child was able to enjoy an adventure in summer reading and practice their math skills too! We are looking forward to the start of a new school year with you and your child. Our teachers and staff busy preparing for the opening of the school year. This year, students will be learning through either the brick/mortar platform or distance learning. We are prepared to provide your child a quality education.

As we begin the school year, we want you to know that the safety and wellness of your child is of utmost importance to us. We are ensuring all measures are taken to make John A. Crookshank Elementary School a place where you feel confident that your child is getting the very best educational opportunity in the safest environment. We will have appropriate protective equipment for students and staff and will be diligent in providing a clean and sanitized facility for learning. Masks and/or face shields will be mandatory for all staff and students, when social distancing is not possible. For those students returning to school on 8/31, we ask that parents use the next two weeks to begin the habit of daily health screening and wearing of masks.

The Parent Guide for our Return to School Protocols for the 2020-2021 School Year is available on our school's website. We look forward to working with you to support your child's learning this school year. We are one Cougar Family and working together, we will have an amazing and successful school year for your child.

Your Partner in Education,

Marquez Jackson, Principal-Learning Leader

OUR VISION:

Working together, we all succeed.

OUR MISSION:

Our professional learning community at John A. Crookshank Elementary School is dedicated to the development of students' academic, social, and emotional well-being. We will plan purposeful lessons and instruct standards using best practices, so all students are equipped with a growth mind-set and the skills necessary to address and overcome challenges they may face in their future.

Registration

Please make sure you have completed all the steps required for registration so we can make sure your son/daughter has a spot in a classroom. Students with missing documentation have not been placed with a teacher. You may visit <http://www-ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us/registration/> or contact Lisa Cogar at (904) 547-7846 if you need assistance or have questions.

Important Dates

8/27 Instructional Tool Pick up for Distance Learners

See attached schedule.

8/28 Brick and Mortar School Supply Drop off and Pick Up Dismissal Tag

8/28 Virtual Meet Your Teacher
Via Schoology

See attached instructions.

8/31 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

9/7 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

Please note that every Wednesday is EARLY
RELEASE at 1:50PM.

SCHOOL HOURS

Office Hours 7:55AM-3:45 PM (daily)

Student Hours 8:25AM-2:45PM (M, T, TH, F)
8:25AM-1:45PM (Wed.)

Doors open at 8:00AM for students

MEET THE TEACHER VIRTUAL EVENT

Meet the teacher will take place virtually this school year on Friday, August 28. Teachers will record a video to introduce themselves to families; included will be a room tour. The videos will be posted on the teacher's Schoology page and will be available to view all day. More information regarding how to access the videos will be shared at a later date.

Please note: Only students who have completely finished the registration process will be assigned to a teacher and will be able to access Schoology.

For registration needs please visit <http://www-ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us/registration/> or contact Lisa Cogar at (904) 547-7846 if you need assistance or have questions.



Logging in to Schoology for Student Access

Schoology is an online tool that manages curriculum, assessments, conferences, resources, calendar, and other classroom management tasks. Schoology will become the primary communication tool between home and school this year for all K-12 students.

*The student# and password will be the same password and the spring. If you do NOT have your child's student # and password, please call the school at 904-547-7840. Our receptionist will take your name and number and a staff member will contact you. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DAY OF MEET YOUR TEACHER TO OBTAIN THIS INFORMATION.**

Pre-K and KINDERGARTEN PARENTS: Your child's teacher will contact you the day BEFORE the event to share their student# and password.

1. Go to stjohnsschools.schoology.com
2. Enter your S#####@stjohns.k12.fl.us and click Next
3. Enter your Student Password and click Sign In
4. Click No – DO NOT Stay Signed In



5. Click on your appropriate course.



Please visit these sites for more information on Schoology, the online platform we will use for conferencing and virtual instruction. Please use Google Chrome for Schoology.

[Click here for the SJCS D Schoology for Parents site](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/edtech/schoology/schoology-for-parents/) or cut and paste this link into your browser:

[Click here for the SJCS D Schoology for Students site](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/edtech/schoology/schoology-for-students/) or cut and paste this link into your browser:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/edtech/schoology/schoology-for-students/>

SCHOOLGY FOR PARENTS

Join the Schoology experts for a Parent Q & A on either Monday, August 24th at 11:00am or Wednesday, August 26th at 5:30pm. Sessions are limited to 100 participants. Please click below to register:

[Click here to register for the Monday, August 24th session](#)
[Click here to register for the Wednesday, August 26th session](#)

Cougar's Materials for the 2020-2021 School Year

School supplies are posted on the John A. Crookshank Elementary School website.

Welcome Back Distance Learners Materials Pick-Up

Who: All PK-5th grade "DISTANCE LEARNING" students

What: Pick-up your supplies for the 20-21 school year before the first day of school. If you're receiving a laptop and/or hot spot, there will be a form for you to sign. You can wave, smile and say hello to some of your favorite Crookshank staff members as well as new ones.

When: Thursday, August 27, 2020 (see assigned times below)

Where: John A. Crookshank Elementary School Bus Loop

How:

- Place a piece of paper with the student's first and last name, grade, and teacher name on the dash (passenger side) of the car (Please use a black marker).
- Drive through Crookshank's Parent Pick-Up Loop at your assigned time to pick up your child's materials. Parent/Guardian must have ID.

Schedule:

8:30 – 9:30AM	Last Names A-I
9:30 – 10:30AM	Last Names J-R
10:30 – 11:30AM	Last Names S-Z

Welcome Back Brick and Mortar Materials Drop-Off & Pick-Up

Who: All PK-5th grade "BRICK AND MORTAR" students

What: Drop off your supplies for the 20-21 school year before the first day of school. You will pick-up an arrival/dismissal backpack tag to wear daily and your parent pick-up dash card. Wave, smile, and say hello to some of your favorite Crookshank staff members.

When: Friday, August 28, 2020 (see assigned times below)

Where: John A. Crookshank Elementary Parent Pick-Up Loop OR Bus Loop

How:

- Bag up your supplies.
- Label your bags with the student's first and last name, grade, and teacher name.
- Place a piece of paper with the student's first and last name, grade, and teacher name on the dash (passenger side) of the car, so we can get your child's arrival/dismissal backpack tag and create you an official CES Parent Pick-Up dash card.
*****Parent/Guardian must have ID.*****
- As you drive through Crookshank's Parent Pick-Up loop OR Bus Loop at your assigned time you may drop off your school supplies. School staff will ensure they get to the right place.

Schedule:

8:30 – 9:30AM	Last Names A-I
9:30 – 10:30AM	Last Names J-R
10:30 – 11:30AM	Last Names S-Z

Masks and Temperature Checks

Masks are to be worn by all students until a temperature check is completed and they are able to socially distance themselves from others. **Please make sure your child has a mask and it is labeled with his/her name.**

Temperature checks will occur upon arrival. Any student with a temperature at or above 100.4 degrees will be referred to the nurse and a parent/guardian will be responsible for picking up his/her student.



Return to School Safety Information

Please visit <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/reopening-plan/#documents> for important information regarding the safe return to school. On this site you will find:

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Safety Protocols
- Quarantine and Contact Tracing information (video)
- Personal Protective Equipment information

DISMISSAL

Students needing to go home prior to dismissal will be escorted to their guardian's vehicle. *ONLY guardians are able to check students out prior to the end of the school day.* NO EARLY DISMISSAL AFTER 2PM. Please follow these steps:

- Park in one of three designated parking spots in the second row. Spots will be marked with a sign.
- Please call (904)547-7840 in order to reach the receptionist in the front office.
- Tell the reception area the first and last name of the student(s).
- Have a photo ID ready to show the staff member that will approach your vehicle.
- Your child will be delivered to your car after ID check. **STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS.**

Please give yourself enough time for this process. It may take a few minutes for your child to be dismissed.

If you are changing the way your child normally goes home, please contact the school in one of three ways: **via the Dismissal Change link on our school's homepage**, a note in the planner, or a written note from home.

Dismissal changes **will not** be accepted over the phone OR after 2:00PM/1:00PM on Weds. unless there is an emergency.

Home Access Center (HAC)

The Home Access Center (HAC) portal is available to registered parents and/or guardians, and to enrolled students. The HAC portal provides parents and students with a daily summary page of student information including schedule and attendance, discipline information, class work, test scores, grades and course requests. It also allows students to view their own records in the system to help keep them informed and actively participating in their progress. **This system will be used this school year to communicate student progress and grades.** Parents/Guardians must have a valid email address on file with a St. John's County School in order to create a HAC account.

Parents/Guardians can register online:
<https://homeaccess.stjohns.k12.fl.us>

- At the Home Access Center Login screen, click the link "Click Here to Register for HAC" On the Home Access Center User Registration fill out all of the required fields.
- You should receive an email with a link to complete your registration

For additional information on the HAC portal, access the webpage at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/>

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Breakfast and lunch will be served at no cost.

Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria from 8:00AM-8:25AM.

Beginning 8/31, parents of our CES Distance Learners will be stopping at CES to pick up breakfast and lunch between 9:00-9:30AM each day.

Alternative seating areas will be utilized to promote social distancing options. Increased point of sale locations during lunch periods will be available. Please make sure all lunchboxes and water bottles are clearly labeled with your child's name.

