

# **Cougar Column**

John A. Crookshank Elementary

ONE Team! ONE Goal! Success for ALL!

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Week of February 21, 2022

The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

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Monday	2/21	Related Arts Week D (PK) and A	
		No School - President's Day	
Tuesday	2/22	NASA Field Trip – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
		Ties and Tutus Food Drive	
Wednesday	2/23	Dismissal 1:45	
Thursday	2/24		
Friday	2/25	Dress like Superman	
Monday	2/28	Related Arts Week E (PK) and B	
Tuesday	3/1		
Wednesday	3/2	Dismissal 1:45	
Thursday	3/3		
Friday	3/4	Dress like your favorite Dr. Suess	
-		Character.	
Monday	3/7	Related Arts Week F (PK) and C	
Tuesday	3/8		
Wednesday	3/9	Dismissal 1:45	
Thursday	3/10	Field Day	
Friday	3/11	No School - Teacher Planning Day	



Thank you for all of the Valentines Day goodies last week. All of us at Crookshank truly appreciate everything our parents, PTO and community do for our Cougars. You all are the BEST!!



Coming Soon: March 14th - March 18th

## **Kids Heart Challenge**

It's our final two weeks of Kids Heart Challenge! We are having a blast learning about our hearts, and I'm so proud of our students for being active and kind!

There is still time to take the challenge and help us reach our goal. Your student will earn a free wristband plus, the top classrooms with the most students registered will win the challenge!

Here's how you can help:
Register: heart.org/KHC
Take the challenge: Be Active or
Be Kind

**Bonus: Take Finn's Mission** online or on the app



American Heart Association.

## What's Cooking in the Cougar Café?

**Tuesday**-Hotdogs - Assorted Fruits and Vegetables-Milk

Wednesday-Breaded Chicken Sandwich -Assorted Fruits and Vegetables-Milk Thursday-Cheese/pepperoni Pizza-Assorted Fruits and Vegetables-Milk Friday-Cheeseburger- Assorted Fruits and Vegetables-Milk







## **IMPORTANT! Parent Consent Survey**

## https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/parent-consent-form/

Parents, please complete the Parental Consent Form for your child/children. Parental consent allows the student to receive health services from the school nurse while at school, to include care and treatment for illness and injury. **This includes giving medication approved to be administered at school.** This DOES NOT

AUTHORIZE: Invasive screening or procedure (COVID-19 testing, blood draw, vaccinations, etc.), preventative health care, medication administration, mental health counseling, therapy (physical therapy, occupational therapy, etc.), or other services that have traditionally required specific direction and consent (administration of medication, medical procedures, medical management of chronic health conditions, etc.).

#### FAQ and Related Information

- 1. What services does the requested parental consent cover?
  - The services traditionally provided by St. Johns County school nurses, including first aid, nursing assessment, health appraisal, meeting emergency health needs, nutrition assessment, referral of students to appropriate health treatment, health counseling and emergency treatment.
- 2. What services are <u>not</u> covered by the requested consent?
  - Invasive screening or procedure (COVID-19 testing, blood draw, vaccinations, etc.)
  - Preventative health care
  - Medication administration
  - Mental health counseling
  - Therapy (physical therapy, occupational therapy, etc.)
  - Other services that have traditionally required specific direction and consent (administration of medication, medical procedures, medical management of chronic health conditions, etc.)
- 3. Why require a consent for the school nurse and school clinic now?
  - The District is requesting the consent at this time to comply with the Parents' Bill of Right as interpreted by the Florida Department of Health.
- 4. Will students receive emergency treatment if parents decline to sign the release?
  - Yes. In the event of a medical emergency, school nurses and staff will respond appropriately as necessary to protect the student's health and safety given the circumstances of the emergency. The school will contact the parents, or in their absence, the student's emergency contacts on file with the school so that they can make the necessary care and treatment decisions.

#### Dear Parents/Guardians,

With the increase in COVID-19 numbers and need to make sure we are timely with our communication, we are asking parents to use an online form to report a positive student and we will adjust how we communicate with you regarding a positive COVID-19 case on campus.

To notify us of your child's positive COVID-19 test result we are requesting that you complete the Optional Positive Student Reporting Form located here: <a href="https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=V9CzsxL8P0-S9HK-boRDUdd7PTxJF7NMpeGOuOXX5S5UOURZS1gyRERDN1pUOFZPOVFMWkhRNTdCSy4u">https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=V9CzsxL8P0-S9HK-boRDUdd7PTxJF7NMpeGOuOXX5S5UOURZS1gyRERDN1pUOFZPOVFMWkhRNTdCSy4u</a> However, should you feel you need to discuss your child's COVID-19 scenario in detail, please feel free to bypass the form and call the District COVID Support Team at 904-547-8230.

When we receive information regarding a positive student, we will communicate to <u>all</u> parents in the classroom that there has been a positive case in your child's class. In the past, we have only communicated to close contacts. By making this adjustment, we can notify parents faster and more efficiently.

We continue to ask you to monitor your child for symptoms and keep them home if they are not well. We want students to be in school learning and we also want children healthy and safe. We are in this together and will continue to work together to navigate this new normal.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. If you have any questions, please call 904-547-8230 for further clarification.

Sincerely,

SJCSD Administration



## **Crookshank Cougars PTO**



## We Love...

During the month of February, we'll be sharing the love with these exciting events:

We Love...Our Classmates and
Friends! Students will have the opportunity to send Valentine Grams to each other with a special message and gift.

We Love Our Teachers and Staff! The

We Love...Our Teachers and Staff! The PTO will be sharing the love by setting up a yummy Hot Chocolate Bar for our amazing staff to enjoy on Valentine's Day!

**We Love...Our School!** Stay tuned for a fun social media contest involving school pride!

**We Love...Our Community!** We'll be collecting canned goods on the 22nd to donate to spread all this love out into our community.

## **Spirit Night**

March 7- Spirit Night at Bojangles

# Smencils are Back!

Smencils will be on sale again starting March 1 (next week!) on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school! \$2 each or \$5 for 3! (Don't forget to bring exact change.)

## **Hot Chocolate Station**

Continuing our month of love, we wanted to show our love to the staff at Crookshank! On Valentine's Day, the PTO showered the staff with Hot Chocolate, Coffee, and Donuts (donuts provided by The Donut Experiment).



## Happy Twosday! We hope you enjoyed

We hope you enjoyed celebrating 2.22.22. For those who were not able to donate their 2 canned goods, you can bring them in on Wednesday morning. Thank you for caring about our community, Cougars, and supporting the amazing organization Epic-Cure.

## **Contest Alert!**

This week we're showing our love for our school by hosting a Spirit Wear Contest on social media! Be sure to like and follow us on Facebook and Instagram to learn more. A random winner will be chosen to receive a prize!

## **Birthday Messages**

Want to see your child's name in lights? You can! Visit our Online Store to sign up! (Orders should be given at least a week in advance.)



## **Visit our Online Store!**

https://my.cheddarup.com/c/crookshank-pto

**Hoodies:** Beat the chill with CES Cougar hoodies! We currently have pullover hoodies in youth sizes and zip-up hoodies in adult sizes for sale in our Online Store.







## **PTO Meetings**

Mar.	8th	6:30 p.m.	Media Center and Zoom
Apr.	12th	6:30 p.m.	Media Center and Zoom
May	12th	6:30 p.m.	Meeting and Election









## Our PTO is on Facebook and Instagram





Tap on the icon above and it will take you right to our Facebook or Instagram page. From there you can "Like" or "Follow" us and get to see everything we have planned for our Crookshank Cougars!



# First Lady Casey DeSantis Announces 2022 Black History Month Student and Educator Contests

Student essay contest winners will receive a 4-Year Florida College Plan scholarship provided by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation

First Lady DeSantis is inviting students to participate in academic and creative contests throughout the month. Students in grades K-3 can participate in an art contest and students in grades 4-12 can participate in an essay contest. Additionally, students, parents, teachers and principals are invited to nominate full-time educators of all student grades for the Black History Month Excellence in Education Award.

#### **About the Student Art Contest**

First Lady Casey DeSantis' Black History Month Art Contest is open to all K-3 students in Florida. Each student will submit original, two-dimensional artwork based on this year's theme. Two winners will be selected.

## **About the Student Essay Contest**

First Lady Casey DeSantis' Black History Month Essay Contest is open to all grade 4-12 students in Florida. Each student will submit one essay no longer than 500 words based on this year's theme. Three winners will be selected: one elementary school student (grades 4-5), one middle school student (grades 6-8) and one high school student (grades 9-12). Each winner will receive a 4-Year Florida College Plan scholarship provided by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation.

## **About the Excellence in Education Award**

First Lady Casey DeSantis' Black History Month Excellence in Education Award Contest is open to all full-time educators in an elementary, middle or high school in Florida. Three winners will be selected: one elementary school teacher (grades K-5), one middle school teacher (grades 6-8) and one high school teacher (grades 9-12). Nominations may be submitted by a principal, teacher, parent/guardian or student.

## **Contest Entries and Nominating Forms and Guidelines**

Student contest forms and educator nomination forms must be mailed to Volunteer Florida or submitted online at www.FloridaBlackHistory.com.

#### **Volunteer Florida**

Black History Month Committee 1545 Raymond Diehl Road, Suite 250 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

#### All entries must be received by 5 pm (ET) on Friday, February 18, 2022.

If mailing, please consider the time necessary to ensure the submission is received by Volunteer Florida's office no later than the aforementioned deadline.

Our American Heart Association Kids Heart Challenge event will begin on January 31st!

Your student will learn about heart, brain and vascular health, and meet kids with special hearts!



## Here's how you can help:

Register: <a href="http://www2.heart.org/goto/crookshankelementary">http://www2.heart.org/goto/crookshankelementary</a>

Take the challenge: Be Active or Be Kind

Share with friends and family through social media, text and/or email

You can help our class win the classroom challenge!

Our goal is to have 100% of our students register online and take the challenge.

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# **JANUARY 10 - MARCH 13**

Applebee's will award one deserving teacher from each school district a \$500 SPONSORSHIP check for their classroom for the upcoming year and host their current class an end-of-the-year party! To enter the contest, students will need to nominate their teacher with an essay on why their teacher deserves to be

## APPLEBEE'S TEACHER OF THE YEAR!

All entries
receive an Applebee's
FREE ICE CREAM
CERTIFICATE



Middle & High School Students: 500 WORDS Elementary School Students: 1/2 PAGE

\*Contest open to Doherty Enterprises owned and operated Applebee's® restaurants in the following counties: **Florida** (Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Duval, Indian River, Lee, Miami-Dade, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Sarasota, St. Johns and St. Lucie) and **Georgia** (Ware). Prizes subject to change. If COVID-19 restrictions are in place, class party will be replaced with two Dinner for Four Certificates. All essays will need to be submitted in person to your local Doherty Enterprises owned and operated Applebee's® location in Florida and Georgia. Please see a Manager for additional rules and submittal form.

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