



Cougar Column

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**ONE Team!
 ONE Goal!
 Success for
 ALL!**

Week of April 18, 2022

The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Monday	4/18	No School Related Arts Week C (PK) and A
Tuesday	4/19	
Wednesday	4/20	Dismissal 1:45
Thursday	4/21	Spirit Night - Adventure Landing 5-8 p.m.
Friday	4/22	Wear Green and Blue for Earth Day
Monday	4/25	Related Arts Week B and D (PK)
Tuesday	4/26	Interims posted in HAC
Wednesday	4/27	Dismissal 1:45
Thursday	4/28	
Friday	4/29	Dress like Twins Day
Monday	5/02	Related Arts Week C and E (PK) Teacher Appreciation Week FSA - 4 th and 5 th ELA Session 1
Tuesday	5/03	FSA - 4 th and 5 th ELA Session 2
Wednesday	5/04	Dismissal 1:45
Thursday	5/05	
Friday	5/06	Space Day - Wear something out of this world!

FSA Proctors Needed
 Parents we are in need of volunteers to help with proctoring the FSA. It only takes a few hours on each of the testing days to help monitor students while they are testing. Sign up for a day or two below.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4baca2ea0fe3-fsaproctors>

Reminder!
 School starts promptly at 8:25. Please ensure your child arrives on time each day. Thank you!

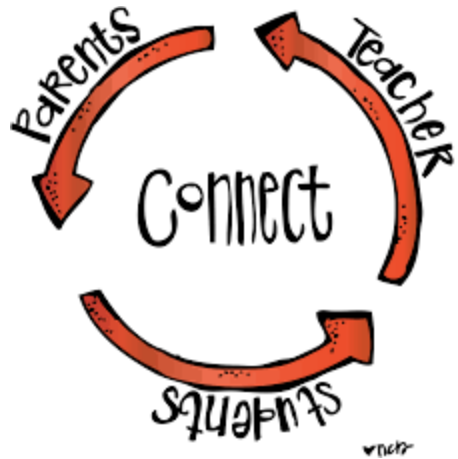
Reading Scholarship
 Did your student score a 1 or a 2 on the Reading FSA? They may be eligible for a reading scholarship through the state of Florida. The program is called Step Up For Students. See the flyer below for more details.

FSA Dates
May 2022
 Monday, May 2 - 4th and 5th grade FSA ELA Session 1
 Tuesday, May 3 - 4th and 5th grade FSA ELA Session 2

 Monday, May 9 - 3rd, 4th and 5th grade FSA Math Session 1
 Tuesday, May 10 - 3rd, 4th and 5th grade FSA Math Session 2

 Monday, May 16 - 5th grade Science Session 1
 Tuesday, May 17 - 5th grade Science Session 2

 Please see below for ways to help make your student successful on testing days.



What's Cooking in the Cougar Café?
Tuesday- Corndogs - Fruits and Vegetables-Milk
Wednesday- Chicken Patty Sandwich - Fruits and Veggies-Milk
Thursday- Cheese Pizza- Fruits and Veggies-Milk
Friday- Cheese Burgers- Fruits and Vegetables-Milk





Crookshank Cougars PTO



Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week 2022

Teacher and Staff Appreciation week is May 2-6.

We have a full week planned as we celebrate and appreciate our Crookshank All-Stars! We've provided some fun ideas on how you can participate and contribute as well.

See flyer below for more details.

You can find this and more on our website at crookshankpto.org/events.



*Teacher & Staff
Appreciation Week 2022*

PTO Meeting

May	10th	6:30 p.m.	Meeting and Election
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Spirit Wear Shirts are Back in our Online Store!

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/crookshank-pt>

We are selling out our current inventory, so be sure to get yours today! We still have pullover hoodies in youth sizes and zip-up hoodies in adult sizes for sale in our Online Store.



Spirit Night

On Thursday, April 21st from 5-8pm at Adventure Landing, you can have unlimited putt-putt and Go Kart play for just \$15! Just mention you're with Crookshank and \$5 of each bracelet sold will go to the school! See flyer below for more details.



Birthday Messages

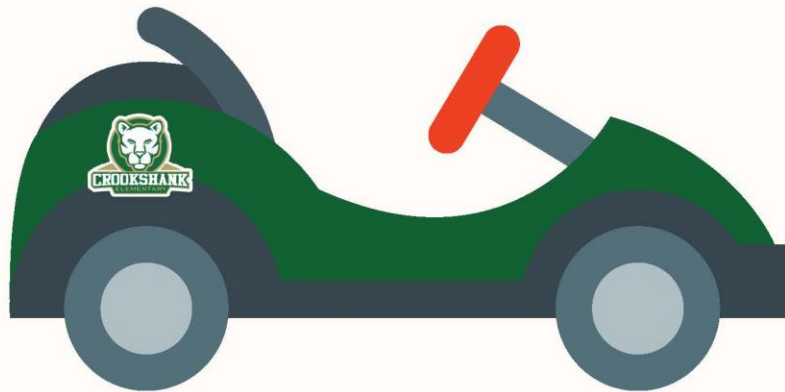
Want to see your child's name in lights? You can! Visit our Online Store to sign up! (Orders should be given at least a week in advance.)



Become a Business Partner and your logo can go here. You can see the different levels of support on our website.



CROOKSHANK PTO PRESENTS



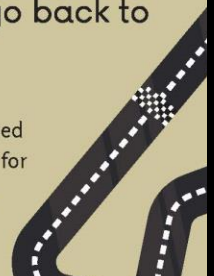
FAMILY
SPIRIT
NIGHT
at Adventure Landing

Thursday, April 21
5:00pm-8:00pm
2780 SR-16 E 32092



Putt Putt & Go Karts
Get unlimited access for only \$15!
Be sure to mention you're with
Crookshank and \$5 will go back to
the school.

Arcade is not included. You must be 56" to drive kart alone. You may ride in the double karts as long as a licensed driver is handling the kart for you and you are at least 3 years old and between 36-48" tall. Junior track available for ages 3+ and between 36-48" tall. Appropriate footwear required for rider and driver. Closed toe shoes highly recommended. **Have any questions? Email us at crookshankpto@gmail.com**





Join us in celebrating our
MVPs!

*Teacher & Staff
Appreciation Week 2022*
MAY 2 - 6



May 2: Pep Rally Monday

Come by the school on Sunday between 5-6:30pm to decorate the sidewalks to greet our All-Star Staff to school. Use our template or write your own "cheerful" note to your teacher to give on Monday! PTO will give our MVPs a "pep" to start their day with Breakfast & Coffee.



May 3: Tailgate Tuesday

Can't celebrate our All-Stars without yummy food! Donate your teacher's favorite snacks ahead of time for a classic Concession Stand in the Cougar Den. There might be another treat in there for them too!



May 4: Biggest Fan Wednesday

We know you are your teacher's biggest fan! You can show it today by wearing your teacher's favorite color! Make sure you tell them why you're such a fan! PTO will have a special luncheon in their honor.



May 5: Teamwork Thursday

Let's show these All-Stars that we're proud to be on their team. Offer to help them (extra) today in their classroom! PTO will be helping them out today too. TEAMWORK!



May 6: Cougar Champs Friday

Show them the winners that they are by bringing in a gift! (Use the code for ideas.) Want to go big? Donate treats and/or a gift card ahead of time to the PTO or a monetary donation that will go towards amazing gifts for our All-Stars! They'll be treated like the MVPs they are!



Need Ideas?

Scan this QR code for participating staff favorites, wishes, and more!



Sign Ups



Make a Donation



All of these can also be found on our website: crookshankpto.org/events



Testing Tips for Parents



- 1. Make sure your child gets plenty of rest the night before the test.**
- 2. On the morning of the test, your child needs to get up in plenty of time so he/she won't feel rushed.**
- 3. Feed your child a good breakfast. Research shows that children do better on tests if they have had a good breakfast.**
- 4. Do as much as you can to make your child feel comfortable. Try not to say things to make him/her feel more nervous.**
- 5. Reassure your child that no matter the outcome of the test you will still love him/her. Encourage them to simply do their best.**
- 6. Take an active role in your child's education throughout the school year. Let your child know you are interested in his/her learning by taking part in the entire process.**
- 7. When the scores are sent to you, talk to your child's teacher and/or principal. This will help you to understand them more clearly.**
- 8. Give your child praise even if he or she didn't do well on the test.**

Does your public school student have trouble reading?



READING SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNTS

The Reading Scholarship was created to help public school students in third through fifth grade who struggle with reading.

Who is eligible?



3rd-5th Grade



Scored 1 or 2

Third through fifth grade students who scored a 1 or 2 on the English Language Arts portion of the third or fourth grade Florida Standards Assessment (FSA).

Program funds are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

An eligible student who is classified as an English Language Learner and is enrolled in a program or receiving services that are specifically designed to meet the instructional needs of English Language Learner students shall receive priority.

What is available?

\$500 Scholarship

Reimbursement for the following:

- Tuition and fees for part-time tutoring provided by a properly credentialed individual, as outlined in the Reading Handbook
- Fees for summer or after-school education programs designed to improve reading or literacy skills
- Instructional materials and curriculum related to reading or literacy
- Approved technology items, including laptop computers, desktop computers and tablets



How to apply?

To apply online, or for more information, visit StepUpForStudents.org/Reading

✉ Reading@StepUpForStudents.org

☎ (877) 735-7837

📱 [@StepUp4Students](https://www.instagram.com/StepUp4Students)



To learn more and see if your child qualifies for a Reading Scholarship, scan the QR code.

As of September 2021 for the 2021-22 school year.



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