



# Cougar Column

John A. Crookshank Elementary

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

Week of August 8, 2022

The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Monday	8/8	No School - Teacher Planning Day
Tuesday	8/9	Meet the Teacher PK, K & 1 <sup>st</sup> 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday	8/10	First Day of School 8:25 - 1:45 Staggered start for Kindergarten -see below
Thursday	8/11	
Friday	8/12	
Monday	8/15	Kindergarten PBIS Assembly in classroom
Tuesday	8/16	PBIS Assemblies in the Café 1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> 8:45 - 9:30 4 <sup>th</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> 9:35 - 10:20
Wednesday	8/17	Early Dismissal 1:45
Thursday	8/18	
Friday	8/19	PTO Spirit Night @ Chick fila 5-8 p.m.

Dear Cougar Families:

On behalf of the faculty & staff at CES, I am excited to welcome you to the 22-23 school year! As we enter this school year, I want to express to you my sincere goal to ensure that your students have a very successful school year. Everyone at CES has been working very hard over the past week preparing for the return of our Cougars. Parents/Guardians, I invite you to partner with us throughout the school year as we instill excellence into our students. Let's make this school year their best year ever!

Sincerely,

Patrick Roach, Principal

## SCHOOL HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday:  
8:25 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. \*School doors open at 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday ONLY:  
8:25 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. \*School doors open at 8:00 a.m.

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL:

Wednesday, August 10 - Early Dismissal Wednesday hours  
(8:25 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.)

## KINDERGARTEN STAGGERED START DATES

ALL Kindergarten parents will receive an email from their student's teacher by Friday, August 5. In the email, you will be given your child's start date. Kindergarten students will have a staggered start, with the dates below:

Wednesday, August 10, 2022 - (Students A - I)

Thursday, August 11, 2022 - (Students J - Q)

Friday, August 12, 2022 - (Students R - Z)

## Registration

Please make sure you have completed your annual registration and proof of residency. Your student will not be placed in a homeroom until all documents are submitted.

## Absence Reporting

Please notify us if your child will be absent. You can locate the form at the link below.

<https://www-ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>

Dismissal changes & Early Checkouts must be completed by 2:00 PM (M, T, Th, F) and by 1:00 PM (W). All changes should be in writing.

Please send changes to  
[cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

## Parent/Student Handbook

Be sure to review our Parent/Student Handbook. It is available digitally on the Crookshank website. If you would like to receive a hard copy, you may request one from the front office.

<https://www-ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us/parents/>

## Extended Day

Extended Day still has limited spots available for morning and aftercare. To inquire, please contact our Extended Day Coordinator, Mrs. Weary at 904-547-7843.

## HAC

See your child's current assignments and grades (students in grades 3-5 only). Please contact Lisa Cogar at 547-7846 if you are unable to access this resource.

<https://homeaccess.stjohns.k12.fl.us/HomeAccess/Account/LogOn?ReturnUrl=%2fhomeaccess>

## Arrival and Dismissal

Arrival begins at 8:00 a.m.

No student should be on campus prior to 8:00 a.m. unless enrolled in the CES Before-Care Program.

**Car Riders:** Student may enter the building starting at 8:00 a.m. Please ensure your child only exits the vehicle on the right (sidewalk) side of the vehicle.

**Walkers:** Walker gates are reserved for students and families who walk to and/or from school. Walker gates are open at 8:00 a.m. The playground area is unsupervised by faculty at this time and should not be used.

**Dismissal begins at 2:45 p.m. all days except Wednesdays. On Wednesdays, students are dismissed at 1:45 p.m.**  
**Remember to share your mode of afternoon transportation with your child's teacher at Meet the Teacher on Tuesday August 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Car Rider:** Dismissal can often be a long wait, however each day gets better and better. Please be patient as we learn new names and faces.

Things to remember:

- You **must** have a parent pick up card. If you don't have one, please park and go to the front office.
- Please stay at the pole until your student has arrived unless asked to park.
- Do not pull up unless you have your child, or someone directs you to pull up.
- Line up your passenger door with the opening in the fence in order for us to safely load your child into the car.
- Refrain from using cell phones in the car rider loop. This is for the safety of you and the students.
- Please be mindful of the people in the neighborhood and don't block driveways.

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### What is Schoology?

Schoology is an online tool that manages curriculum, assessments, grading and other classroom management tasks and is also a communication platform for educators and students in grades K -12.

This tool will be an integral part of how teachers design and implement their lesson plans, assignments and grades. They will use it to post updates to their class and communicate with parents. Parents will be able to see what their children are working on.

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

### Visitors on Campus

We welcome parents and guardians to our school. We ask that all visitors enter the building only through the front office where they can obtain a dated pass. This pass is to be worn on the upper right left shoulder area while on school grounds. You must also present a state issued ID to obtain entrance to the main campus. When you have been approved you will be able to sign in as a "volunteer". This is the terminology that indicates the system has completed a background check. Even if you are not planning to volunteer, we ask that you use this sign-in option to indicate that you have completed the School Access Form

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>

## 2022- 2023 District COVID Guidelines

For the 2022-2023 SY, please refer to the St. Johns County School District Illness Guidelines found here: <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/health/illness/> for general health concerns related to your child.

There is no longer a dedicated district COVID hotline. For all future COVID-related testing, questions, or concerns, please consult your child's pediatrician for guidance and recommendations.

Should the pediatrician recommend your child stay home from school, please notify your child's teacher(s) of their upcoming absence. Upon return to school, a parent or doctor's note must be provided to excuse the absence.

St. Johns County School District will no longer provide exposure notifications for the upcoming school year.



# Crookshank Cougars PTO



## Welcome!

Welcome from your Crookshank PTO! We look forward to meeting our Cougar Families and having a lot of fun this year as we do great things for our school!

Stop by and see us at Meet the Teacher on Tuesday morning- we are there to help you- you can sign up to join the PTO, and we'll be selling Spirit Wear as well!

Our Membership Drive is happening NOW through September 30th! The class in each grade level with the most participation will win a popsicle party!

## 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!

## Visit our Online Store!

Crookshank Car Magnets and more are available for purchase in our online store!  
<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/crookshank-pt>

## PTO Meeting

Tuesday, August 23rd, 5:30 pm- our first PTO Meeting!  
Join us in person in the CES Media Center or online via Zoom (link to come!)

## Birthday Messages

Celebrate your student's birthday by featuring their name on our scrolling marquee (in the parent pick up line) for an entire week! Sign up

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

We must have your submission by the Tuesday prior to your requested week.



## Spirit Night!

Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A on US 1.  
Friday August 19<sup>th</sup> 5-8 p.m.



(Click on the icon for directions)

## We're here for you!

Email: [crookshankpto@gmail.com](mailto:crookshankpto@gmail.com)

Facebook: [fb.com/crookshankpto](https://fb.com/crookshankpto)

Instagram: @crookshankpto

Our online store (where you can sign up to become a PTO member, buy Spirit Wear, make a donation, or become a Business Partner):

<http://crookshank-pt.cheddarup.com>

Stay tuned for our new and improved



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





**Tim Forson**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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August 10, 2022

**SCHOOL BOARD**

**Beverly Slough**  
*District 1*

**Anthony E. Coleman Sr.**  
*District 2*

**Bill Mignon**  
*District 3*

**Kelly Barrera**  
*District 4*

**Patrick Canan**  
*District 5*

Dear Elementary School Parent or Guardian,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! I hope you had a wonderful summer. This letter serves to inform you of future middle and high school options for your child. It is never too early to begin consideration of your child's future educational goals and our state requires that we inform you of these opportunities. Our programs of choice include career academies, advanced academic programs, virtual school options, Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps and the arts. More information is available at <https://cte.stjohns.k12.fl.us/programs/>.

Virtual courses may be taken during or after the school day, either at or away from the student's regular school of attendance. The next open enrollment periods to apply for St. Johns Virtual School as a full-time student are November 4<sup>th</sup> to December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, and in the spring, April 10<sup>th</sup> to July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Enrollment in part-time virtual courses is subject to the school's normal drop/add policy. Virtual course requests must be approved by a guidance counselor. To learn about all virtual options, please visit <http://www.sjvs.stjohns.k12.fl.us> or call 904-547-8080.

St. Johns County schools also offer Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL) options. Options include but are not limited to:

- Elementary – single course and whole grade acceleration; virtual instruction in a higher grade-level course; ACCEL options do not supersede initial placement by age criteria (1003.21(1)(a)2 F.S.)
- Middle – high school courses in middle school; virtual instruction in a higher grade-level course; ACCEL options do not supersede the core course requirements for promotion to high school (1003.4156 F.S.)
- High – college credit via Advanced Placement, Career/Dual Enrollment, Advanced International Certificate of Education or International Baccalaureate courses; course credit for passing state End-of-Course assessments; virtual instruction in advanced courses; early graduation; industry certifications. To see a list of articulation agreements, visit <http://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-technical-edu-agreements/industry-certification.shtml> (1003.4295 F.S.)

Finally, there are several diploma options. Designations are dependent upon a student's course of study. Details regarding the criteria for each option and graduation requirements can be found at <https://www.fldoe.org/schools/k-12-public-schools/sss/graduation-requirements/>.

This is a great deal of information to consider. As you plan, one of the first places you may wish to visit is the district Parent Resource Guide, <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/families/resource/>, and the Student Progression Plan, <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/cs/spp/>. These user-friendly tools may promote a better understanding of the options open to your student. In addition, you can access district approved instructional materials at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/approved/>. You may also be interested in viewing the Florida Department of Education website that shares resources related to parental rights at <https://www.fldoe.org/ParentalRights/>.

I am proud that our schools offer so many academic choices for our students. Thank you for your consideration of this information and my best wishes to you and your family for an outstanding school year!

Sincerely,

*Tim Forson*

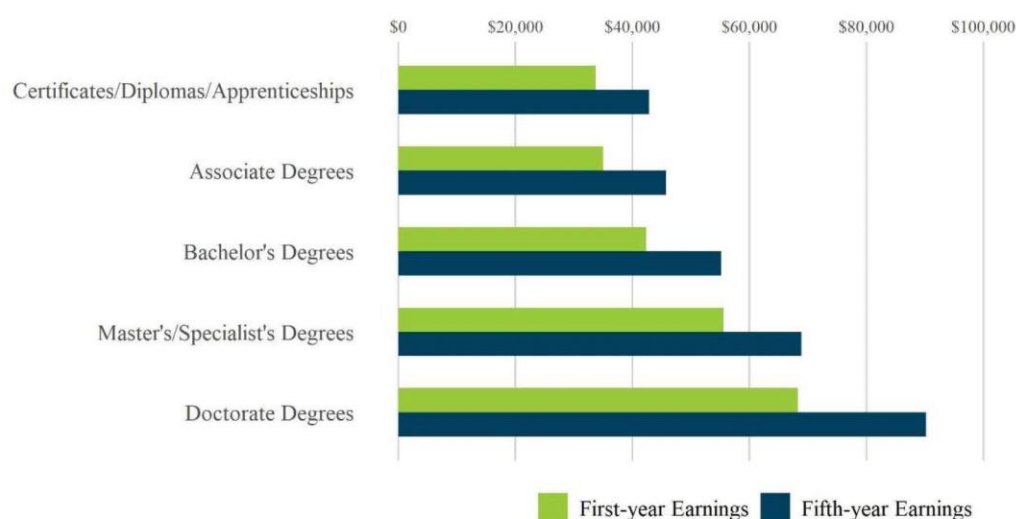
Tim Forson  
Superintendent of Schools

*The St. Johns County School District will inspire good character and a passion for lifelong learning  
in all students, creating educated and caring contributors to the world.*

### Outcomes

Florida has an extensive postsecondary higher education system—a system that provides students access to a world class education. To ensure Florida's postsecondary higher education system is well positioned for the future, the Florida Legislature created the *Economic Security Report* to provide students, parents, and others with information on graduates of Florida's public postsecondary institutions of higher education, which include the District Technical Centers (DTC), the Florida College System (FCS), and the State University System of Florida (SUS).<sup>1</sup> Figure 1 below shows the first- and fifth-year earnings outcomes by type of credential for over 1 million graduates who completed their credential over the 5-year academic period of 2014-15 through 2018-19. The figure highlights that earnings increase with each step along the education ladder.

**Figure 1. Median First- and Fifth-Year Earnings by Credential**

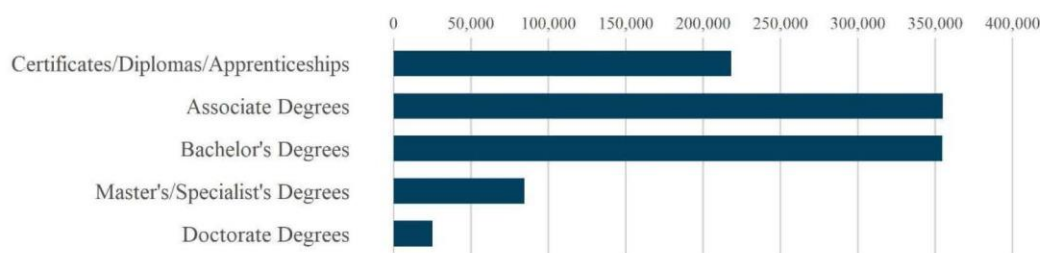


In addition to earnings outcomes, we also look at the number of graduates by credential. Figure 2 shows the number of graduates over the same five-year period, which indicates that the associate and bachelor's degrees are the most awarded postsecondary credentials in Florida (68%). In addition, a significant number of students graduated from a certificate, diploma, or apprenticeship program (21%), while graduates from advanced degree programs represent the smallest group of total graduates (11%).

<sup>1</sup> The data source of information in this summary report comes the Florida Department of Education's *Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP)*.



**Figure 2. Number of Graduates by Credential**



## Debt

Student debt is a growing concern nationwide. Totalling more than \$1 trillion, student debt now surpasses outstanding credit card debt and automobile loans and is second only to home mortgages. Many students default on their loans, and because student loans cannot be discharged in bankruptcy, the consequences of accumulating debt that cannot be paid off can be long-term and financially devastating. The average statewide federal loan amount per student at Florida's postsecondary higher educational institutions was approximately \$5,700 (this amount is averaged across all students that received federal student loans and does not include private loans or other debt issued by non-federal government sources).

## Labor Market Demand

The earnings that graduates command are not only a function of the programs from which they graduate but also of the strength of the labor market into which they enter. The top three industries that expect to add the most jobs in Florida over the next eight years are food services and drinking places (171,032); professional, scientific, and technical services (132,675 jobs); and ambulatory health care services (106,610 jobs). With projected growth in these three industries estimated between 20% to 23%, these industries are expected to add over 410,000 new jobs to Florida's economy between 2021 and 2029.

## Progress

This is the eighth annual Economic Security Report (with seven years of comparable data). Therefore, there is enough data to draw conclusions about the progress made over the past seven years. In general, median first-year salaries have increased steadily over the seven-year period. The exception to this general pattern has been graduates with advanced technical certificates and associate degrees in applied sciences, which have seen modest decreases.



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