



# Cougar Column

John A. Crookshank Elementary

The Future Begins Here!

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The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Week of September 5, 2022

Monday	9/5	No School - Labor Day
Tuesday	9/6	Testing Continues see letter below for dates.
Wednesday	9/7	Early Dismissal 1:45
Thursday	9/8	
Friday	9/9	Cougar Spirit Wear Day
Monday	9/12	PK, 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade Open House 5:30 - 6:30
Tuesday	9/13	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Open House 5:30 - 6:30
Wednesday	9/14	Early Dismissal 1:45
Thursday	9/15	SAC Meeting 4:00 p.m. PTO Event Committee Meeting
Friday	9/16	Cougar Spirit Wear Day

## F.A.S.T. Testing Continues

Please see the letter below for testing information and individual class testing dates.



## OPEN HOUSE

Please join us for Open House!

Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> - PK, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 5:30 - 6:30

Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 5:30 - 6:30

## Join our SAC Team!

Our first SAC meeting is Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer below for more information about how you can be a part of helping make decisions for our school!

## What's Cooking in the Cougar Café?

Monday-Chicken Nuggets-Vegetables-Fruit

Tuesday-Mac-n-cheese or Hot Dog Vegetables-Fruit

Wednesday-Chicken Sandwich-Vegetables-Fruit

Thursday-Pizza or Corn Dog-Vegetables-Fruit

Friday-Cheeseburger-Vegetables-Fruit

A full lunch is free, however, if a student just wants milk it is \$.60.



## Afterschool Activities

We have these wonderful afterschool programs. These programs are open to all students, however some only allow children of a certain grade level so be sure to check out the flyers below for more information, if you are interested.



## Attention 5<sup>th</sup> Graders

St. Johns County Center for the Arts will be holding a Performing Arts Day Camp on October 17, 2022. See the flyer below for more details.

## A Reminder from Principal Roach

As a reminder, the designated walker-biker area is for walkers and bikers only. Effective, August 29, 2022, if your child is listed as a car rider and a parent/guardian attempts to pick up at the walker biker location, with a car rider sign, your student(s) will not be released to you until 3:10 pm. Please see last week's Cougar Column for more details.

## Absence Reporting

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

## Dismissal Changes

[cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us)



# Crookshank Cougars PTO



## PTO Meeting

Our first committee meeting, to kick off planning our October family event, will be on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

Sign up here to volunteer and let us know your time preference if you'd like to help! It's a fun one! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aa5a62aaaf5c61-volunteer1>

## Join PTO!

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

Membership forms went home in last week's

Wednesday folders! Or sign up here, and pay via cash, check, or Cheddar

Up! [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNat1vekGOgg\\_6aGdiSfR4iOeYKHwWfjx4SZ3BJ36bSyf6BA/vviewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNat1vekGOgg_6aGdiSfR4iOeYKHwWfjx4SZ3BJ36bSyf6BA/viewform)

## Cougar Movie Afternoon

We are prepping for our first Cougar Movie Afternoon of the year (September 23rd, right after school!). More details to follow.

## 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-ptu>

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

## Smencils!

Find us in the main hallway on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8-8:20. \$2 each, or 3 for \$5!

## Buddy A Thon!

The Crookshank Buddy A Thon is almost here! It's our first fundraiser of the year, and the kiddos are going to love it!

- From September 12th- 27th, we are raising money for our school, and showing our students that it's important to "Be a Buddy, not a Bully!"
- Every student that sends ten emails or texts telling them about the program will receive two rewards, a Dexter the Dragon keychain and funny Dexter hair to wear!
- When a student raises \$50, they will get to pick their own "Buddy" to create and take home on September 30th!!!
- Go here to register and set up your kiddo's donation page! <https://bit.ly/3PRy1A2> Then, invite friends and family to participate! It only takes ten minutes!
- See the flyer below for more details!



## Field Trip Shirt

We are going to TIE DYE class field trip shirts this year! Please send in a plain white t shirt (or help by sending a pack of three/five plain white t-shirts to make sure every student has one) in your kiddo's size to their teacher by Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

## Spirit Wear Fridays!

Every Friday is CES Spirit Day! Wear your Spirit Shirts, Scrunchies, or our school colors! We still have Spirit Wear available, including our new shirts! Shop at 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-ptu.cheddarup.com>  
or scan the QR code!



We are looking for BUSINESS PARTNERS to help bring opportunities to our kiddos! Become a BP and your logo will appear here!

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Cougar Families,

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring tool that will be administered three times per year to track your student's progress in learning the Benchmarks of Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards throughout this school year. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will participate in the first administration (PM1) of the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Reading and Mathematics assessments within the first 30 days of school. The testing window runs from 8/15/22 through 9/30/22 and your student will test on two days (one day for reading and one day for math) within that window. Grade-level specific test dates are being finalized and will be communicated in the coming weeks. Your student's results from PM1 are for informational purposes only, and your student's school will provide you with information about how to access the results after testing is completed.

FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. The questions get easier or more difficult depending on how the student responds, and each student will see different questions from a common item bank. Each test attempt (PM1, PM2, and PM3) will present 35–40 items that will cover the entire test "blueprint," meaning students will encounter items representative of the standards within the subject or grade level. For more information on the test design, please visit <https://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/best/>. If you or your student would like to interact with the online testing platform or review FAST sample items at home, sample test materials are available at <https://flfast.org/families.html>.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact our school testing coordinator, Bailey Benoit at [Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](https://flfast.org).

Below are the assessment dates for grades 1-5:

August 29 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade ELA, 4<sup>th</sup> grade ELA (Kennelly), 5<sup>th</sup> grade ELA (Anderson)  
August 30 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Math, 4<sup>th</sup> grade Math (Kennelly), 5<sup>th</sup> grade Math (Anderson)  
September 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade ELA (Ahr, Boutin, Fortus, Harmon)  
September 2 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade Math (Ahr, Boutin, Fortus, Harmon)  
September 8 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade ELA (Richardson), 4<sup>th</sup> grade ELA (Zaletel, Allen, Smolek, Gallagher)  
September 9 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade Math (Richardson), 4<sup>th</sup> grade Math (Zaletel, Allen, Smolek, Gallagher)  
September 12 – Kindergarten ELA (McQuaig, White, Dingler, Moore), 5<sup>th</sup> grade ELA (Fernandez, Miller, Houck, Fey)  
September 13 – Kindergarten Math (McQuaig, White, Dingler, Moore), 5<sup>th</sup> grade Math (Fernandez, Miller, Houck, Fey)  
September 15 – Kindergarten ELA (Belardo, Heldenbrand), 3<sup>rd</sup> grade ELA (Bikowski, Simpson)  
September 16 – Kindergarten Math (Belardo, Heldenbrand), 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Math (Bikowski, Simpson)  
September 19 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade ELA (Coriell, McVay, Keating, Matthiesen)  
September 20 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Math (Coriell, McVay, Keating, Matthiesen)

Thanks,

Crookshank Elementary School

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PLEASE JOIN OUR SAC TEAM: EMAIL [RACHAEL.MILLER@STJOHNS.K12.FL.US](mailto:RACHAEL.MILLER@STJOHNS.K12.FL.US)

## SAC Meetings 2022-2023

All meetings are held in person and virtually at 4:00 pm

**Dates:**

September 15, 2022

October 20, 2022

November 17, 2022

December 15, 2022

January 19, 2023

February 16, 2023

March 23, 2023

April 20, 2023

May 18, 2023

**SAC Chair:** Rachael Miller

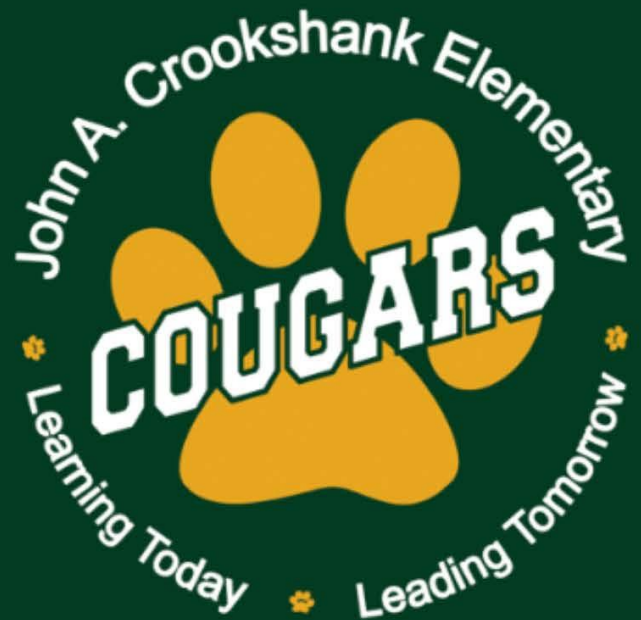
**We are looking for a secretary and treasurer. Contact Rachael Miller if you are interested.**

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### 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 the growth mindset skills necessary to address and overcome challenges they may face in their future.

### Vision

John A. Crookshank Elementary School faculty and staff members believe working together, we all succeed.

# CROOKSHANK'S BUDDY-A-THON IS ALMOST HERE!

Our First Fundraiser of the Year kicks off on September 12th!!! We're doing something FUN that the kids will LOVE!

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Go here to register and set up your kiddo's donation page! <https://bit.ly/3PRy1A2>

Then, invite friends and family to participate!  
It only takes ten minutes!

**Let's do this, CES Family! Paws Up!**



Scan the code above to see more info, or go to <https://youtu.be/VAXYRZFYD9o>





# SJCCA

## PERFORMING ARTS DAY CAMP!

AT RJ MURRAY MIDDLE SCHOOL,  
ST JOHNS COUNTY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

**OCTOBER 17, 2022**  
**9:00AM-2:00PM**

**FREE  
EVENT!**

OPEN TO ALL 5TH GRADERS IN ST  
JOHNS COUNTY! COME SING,  
DANCE, ACT AND EXPLORE A DAY IN  
THE ARTS. TO REGISTER, CLICK  
THE LINK BELOW!

**REGISTER**

REGISTER ONLINE  
BY OCT 3RD!





K - 6TH GRADE

# Amazing Athletes P.E.

## PROGRESSIVE SKILL-BASED SPORTS LESSONS

### PLAY

- BASKETBALL
- FOOTBALL
- VOLLEYBALL
- SOCCER
- BASEBALL
- TRACK + FIELD
- CAPTURE THE FLAG
- DODGEBALL

### LEARN

- NUTRITION
- SELF-CONFIDENCE
- TEAMWORK
- MOTOR SKILLS
- CONDITIONING

### PERFORM

- SPEED
- AGILITY
- FLEXIBILITY
- STRENGTH
- COORDINATION



### CLASS OVERVIEW

<b>Warm-Up</b> Moving - Stretching	<b>Strength - Training</b> CHEST BELT TRAPZ DELTOIDS	<b>Sport Focus</b> 	<b>Sport Relay - Game</b> 	<b>Cool Down</b> Relax - Stretch Nutrition Motivation
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## CLASS DETAILS:

Each one of our weekly classes includes the following sections:

- Advanced Fitness Challenge
- Stretching + Flexibility
- Speed + Conditioning
- 10 Major Muscles
- Advanced Sport-Specific Skills
- Team-Building Activity
- Strength Training
- Nutrition Discussion

Coming to Crookshank Elementary  
 Thursdays 3:00-4:00. Sept 8 - Dec 15, 2022  
**FREE** Registration, \$15.00/class (paid monthly)  
*Don't miss out! Sign up today!!*

## Click *HERE* or Scan to Enroll

Contact us about staff or sibling discount



Matt & Julie Kocher [jax@amazingathletes.com](mailto:jax@amazingathletes.com) 615-318-5241 (5239)





# AFTERSCHOOL

## Wednesdays 2:15-3:45p

Build, code and play every week afterschool! Keep those minds going with engaging robotics and STEM activities! Every week, students build models, study robotics concepts and complete fun engineering projects that increase in complexity. For Ages 5-12.

- Starts Wednesday, Sept 7th, 2022
- 8 week program - \$200/per builder
- \*Price includes 8 classes

**REGISTER @:**  
**FIRSTCOAST.MYROBOTHINK.COM**



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EDUCATION PROVIDER



## RoboThink Programs

### Afterschool

Every week, students build models, study coding concepts and complete fun engineering projects that increase in complexity.

### Workshops

These 1 day classes cover robotics, coding and engineering concepts with fun, hands-on building projects.

### Camps

RoboThink Robotics Camps typically last 5 days and are offered in half day or full day sessions. Students are given the opportunity to build robots, solve challenges with robots they have built and even battle their friends!

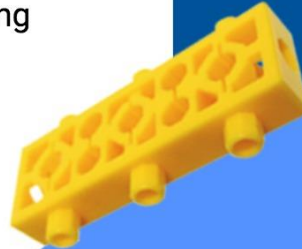
### Special Events

Make your special events that much more exciting with a RoboThink experience. We bring the fun!

- Birthday Parties
- Private Parties
- Community Events

**Customized programming available  
to fit your schedule & needs!**

RoboThink's E-STEAM programs incorporate entrepreneurship, business leadership, presentation and marketing skills for children. You'll find these critical 21<sup>st</sup> century life skills built into the core of many of our exciting programs.



**" RoboThink is too fun!**

*I never want to leave. ))*

*-Jailon, Age 7*

**" I'm happy because**

*its fun. And my mom's happy because it's educational. ))*

*-Collin, Age 10*

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ANCIENT CITY



SOCCER CLUB



## Ancient City Soccer Club

present their

### After-School Project

Come join our experienced soccer coaches who will be delivering a fun filled 75-minute practice

on the school field every week to pupils from Grades 2-5.

Our aim is to introduce your child to the fundamentals of the sport of soccer whilst building upon character development, physical literacy and teamwork skills.

Join us straight after school on Wednesday 2pm – 3:15pm

**Start:** Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 (for 16 weeks)

**Finish:** Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (Tournament at GRMS)

No session on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> (Thanksgiving break)

**Cost:** \$145 for 15 week block and tournament

**Contact:** Andy Carey at [schools@ancientcitysoccer.com](mailto:schools@ancientcitysoccer.com)

**Register:** Go to [www.ancientcitysoccer.com](http://www.ancientcitysoccer.com)

Click on “register now” and select ACS Afterschool Program as the season

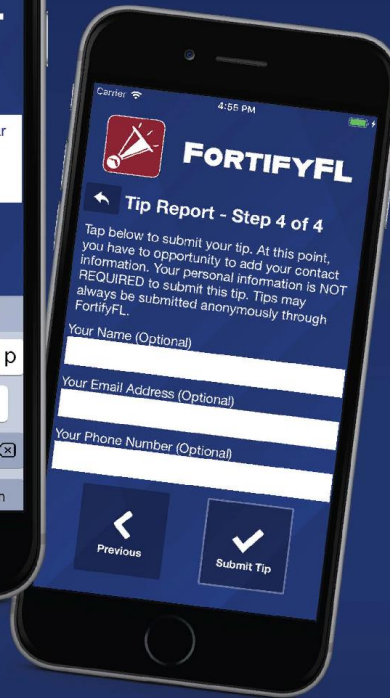
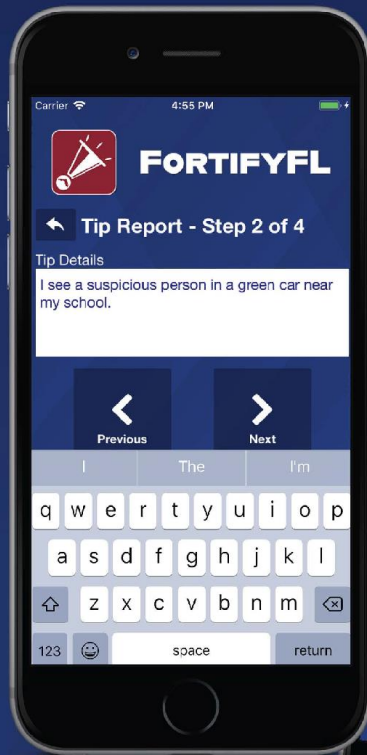




# FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



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