



Cougar Column

John A. Crookshank Elementary

The Future Begins Here!

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The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Week of October 17, 2022

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| Monday | 10/17 | Teacher Planning Day - No School |
| Tuesday | 10/18 | Fall Pictures |
| Wednesday | 10/19 | Unity Day - Wear Orange Early Dismissal 1:45 pm Cougar Basketball vs Webster |
| Thursday | 10/20 | SAC Meeting 4:00 pm |
| Friday | 10/21 | Cougars with Character Assemblies |
| Monday | 10/24 | Red Ribbon Week Cougar Basketball vs Osceola |
| Tuesday | 10/25 | |
| Wednesday | 10/26 | Early Dismissal 1:45 pm |
| Thursday | 10/27 | PTP BOO Thru 2022 5:30 - 7:00 pm by sign up only. |
| Friday | 10/28 | PAWS Celebration Quarter 1 - Dance |

Afterschool Activities

We have wonderful afterschool programs. Check out the flyer below for more information, if you are interested.



Red Ribbon Week!

Crookshank will celebrate Red Ribbon Week the Week of October 24th. See the flyer below for all of the exciting activities we have planned!

Cougars with Character!

Friday October 21st is our first Cougars with Character Assembly. Students are selected for the following awards. Parents are welcome to attend!

Academic Excellence Award

This award is given for academic excellence in a subject area.

Growth Mindset/GRIT Award

This award is for students who have shown growth in an academic or a social/emotional goal displaying a growth mindset.

Community Service Award

This award is for students who demonstrate a service mindset and leadership in this area either in or out of school.

Character Counts

August - All Pillars

September - Fairness

Birthday Policy

As per past policy, parents can deliver cupcakes/treats to the front office for the student to come pick up. Cupcakes/treats can be handed out during lunch or recess. If parents would like, they can eat lunch with their birthday student during their designated lunch time.

Artsonia!

Ms. Branam is in the process of uploading your student's artwork. Artsonia is the world's largest collection of student art, published by teachers and students from around the world. Parents and family can view the their student's artwork online. See flyer below for more details.

Cougar Basketball and Cheer!

Join us and the Cougar Cheer team on Wednesday October 19th at Murray Middle school to cheer on our Cougar Basket Ball teams as they play against Webster!

Girls 5:30, Boys 6:30

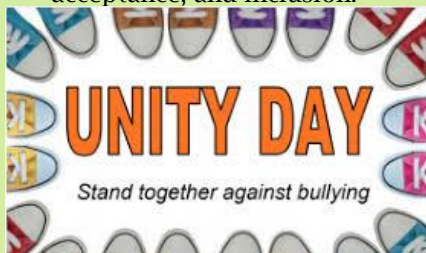
Fall Pictures

Fall picture day is Tuesday October 18th



Unity Day

Unity Day is October 19th. On this day students & staff are encouraged to wear orange to show their support for bullying prevention. Use #UnityEveryDay on social media. Please join us to promote kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.



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.



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

Dismissal Changes cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Pre-Order Your Yearbook!

Visit www.buytheyearbook.com and enter school code 708400 to pre-order your yearbook today. See the flyer below for more details.

All Pro Dads

St Johns PAL inaugural All Pro Dad meetup is October 20th. This is a foundation created by former NFL Coach Tony Dungy and focuses on building strong(er) relationships between fathers and their K-5th grade children (6-12th grade coming soon). The topic for this month is Leadership. Dinner will be provided. See the flyer below for more details.

Join Team Crookshank!

There is still time! School Team Challenge at the Jail Break 5K on October 22, 2022.

So far, we have 8 people signed up!

For additional details, please see the flyer below and the race website here:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/FL/SaintAugustine/EscapeFromStAugustine>

Black Creek EcoFest

A FUN FAMILY CELEBRATION OF BLACK CREEK AND THE ST. JOHNS RIVER

Sunday, October 23 FROM 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Featuring: Interactive Programs, Hands-on Activities, Guided Hikes, Local Vendors, Food Trucks And More!

See the flyer below for more details.



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Science, Technology, Engineering + Math workshop
for girls in grades 5-8.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 9AM - 3PM

See flyer below for more details.

Vision is Priceless

Vision is Priceless will be at Crookshank Elementary School on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, to provide full eye exam, including dilation of the eyes, by an optometrist. Those who are given a prescription, will select a pair of frames on the day of exam. Glasses are ordered and will be delivered to the school in approximately 2-3 weeks post exam day.

THESE SERVICES ARE AT NO COST TO THE STUDENTS OR THE SCHOOL. See attached information about Vision is Priceless.

If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity for **FREE** eye exam and glasses if prescribed, please complete, sign, and return the **SIGHT IN SCHOOLS NO COST EYE EXAM AND GLASSES** consent form and return to Roxane Smith, RN, BSN/School Health Nurse. Do not hesitate to contact me at 904/547-7832 for any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Roxane Smith, RN, BSN
School Health Nurse



WHO WE ARE:

Vision is Priceless was founded in 1996 to fulfill the need in our community for vision screenings and to provide access to vision care—including eye exams, prescription glasses, and specialty care—for the uninsured and underserved.

Through our work in the community, we identified an alarming and growing issue. Youth from underserved communities are at a greater risk of untreated vision problems and have a higher rate of unmet needs for vision care services. To bridge the gap, we expanded our Sight in Schools program to provide a wraparound service for our community's most vulnerable youth.

WHAT WE DO:

Our program provides comprehensive eye exams and glasses for students while at school who otherwise would not have access for a variety of reasons, such examples being financial constraint or transportation barriers.

Our partner optometrists can perform a full exam (including dilation of the eyes) on campus and prescribe glasses using our mobile vision equipment. Those given a prescription will also select a pair of frames on the day of exam. These services are at no cost to the students or the school.

Glasses are ordered from a partnering facility and checked for accuracy by our onsite optician. Glasses are delivered to the school in which the exam took place approximately 2-3 weeks post exam day.

WHAT DO WE NEED BEFORE EXAM DAY?

Vision is Priceless will provide the school with student permission forms that are required to be completed prior to the scheduled exam day. The consent form can be sent home for signature, or a school official may obtain verbal consent from parents and fill out the form on their behalf. Students 18 and older may sign their own consent form.

The students selected to receive the eye exam is left to the school's discretion. Any student is welcome to sign up, not limited to students who failed the vision screening. Examples include: all incoming freshmen, students who need updated prescriptions, teacher nominated, self-advocating students, graduating seniors, student athletes, students with behavioral issues, etc. There is no income or insurance restrictions.

We will examine up to 20 students per clinic day, with a 15-student minimum for each day. A school should sign up for as many days as they project will be needed; additional days added as needed. Any student is welcome to sign up, not limited to students who failed the vision screening. Examples include: all incoming freshmen, students who need updated prescriptions, teacher nominated, self-advocating students, graduating seniors, student athletes, students with behavioral issues, etc. There is no income or insurance restrictions.

We do require a space to set up the mobile eye lane equipment and conduct the exams that day. A large empty classroom or library has been ideal in the past. We ask that the space have several available electrical outlets and the ability to turn the lights off/on.

WHAT DOES EXAM DAY LOOK LIKE?

Vision is Priceless staff will arrive around 8:30 AM to check in with the front office and set up our mobile eye equipment in the predetermined space. The doctor will arrive around 10 AM to begin the exams. We will ask for the best way to pull students from class for their exams and the school's policy on returning to class (i.e., walk with an adult or buddy system).

Students will be seen for a few preliminary tests, moving into the exam with the doctor at which time eye drops will be given for dilation. If the doctor provided the students with a prescription, they would select frames best suited for their RX and size. At this point the exam is complete and the students are ready to return to class! Once all students are seen the VIP team will pack up all equipment and return the room to its prior set up.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

After exam day the Vision is Priceless team will order the glasses selected by students and deliver them to the school 2-3 weeks later. The school and parent of any child who was found to need additional vision care will be notified of findings. We are happy to assist with referrals and connecting them with other medical professionals in the community if needed. *And that is a wrap!*

Vision is Priceless is very excited to partner with our community schools for a 3rd year of providing no cost eye exams and glasses! We look forward to working with you and helping students achieve more with the power of sight.

Please feel free to reach out to our Vision is Priceless team with questions about the Sight in Schools Program.

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Red Ribbon Week
October 24-28
“Celebrate Life. Live Drug Free.”

| Monday Oct 24 th | Tuesday Oct 25 th | Wednesday Oct 26 th | Thursday Oct 27 th | Friday Oct 28 th |
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| Color the World With Character by being Drug and Bully Free | From Head to Toe, I Make Responsible Choices! | My Character Counts – Hats Off to Being Drug and Bully-Free. | Team Up for a Healthy Lifestyle So We Can All Be Drug and Bully-Free. | We can Inspire Others with Our Positive Attitude. |
| WEAR TIE-DYE CLOTHES | WEAR CRAZY SOCKS | WEAR YOUR FAVORITE HAT | WEAR EXERCISE CLOTHES OR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM GEAR | WEAR RED TO SAY NO TO DRUGS |
| Kind Act of the Day: Give someone a genuine compliment. | Kind Act of the Day: Offer your help if you see someone in need. | Kind Act of the Day: Write an encouraging note on a post-it and leave it for someone to find. | Kind Act of the Day: Say something nice to someone who is having a tough day. | Kind Act of the Day: Tell your teacher one thing you liked that he or she did this week. |
| Optional Activities: *Decorate classroom doors with the theme “Celebrate Life. Live Drug-Free.” *Have students create a bookmark reflecting the theme of the day. | Optional Activities: *Have students create informational posters to display in school on drug- prevention. *Have each student write their dreams for the future and discuss how responsible choices will impact their goals. | Optional Activities: *Recognize students or adults who have shown exemplary character. *Read a book about a famous person that showed their great character. *Learn about Enrique “Kiki” Camarena who RRW was founded to honor. | Optional Activities: *As a class, come up with a slogan to be drug and bully-free and display. *Show a short slideshow on healthy activities (link below). | Optional Activities: *Have students write and sign the pledge. *Students can sign a banner to be drug and bully-free. |

*Slideshow <https://fit.sanfordhealth.org/resources/u113-35-its-all-connected-slideshow>

Pledge:

I pledge to stay in school and learn the things that I need to know.
I pledge to make the world a better place for kids like me to grow.
I pledge to take a stand and lend a hand.
I pledge to keep my dreams alive and be all that I can be.
I pledge to help others and to keep myself drug-free.”



Crookshank Cougars PTO



Can you Help?

Get the details and find out how you can help with the Boo Thru at our planning meeting! Thursday, October 20th at 6:30 on

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87696618406?pwd=NXdhZy9EOkhrWDFEdEwxcGwyMHNvOT09>

Boo Thru 2022!

It's time for some fun with our Crookshank families and teachers! Wear your Halloween costume, and be ready for a fab-BOO-lous evening of trick or treating, games, a photo booth, music, and food! Mark your calendar for October 27th from 5:30-7:30 (you will select a time to attend when you register) and come celebrate! (The Boo Thru will be a walk through event this year!)

Registration is now OPEN!!! Sign up online or turn in the registration form (sent home last week, let us know if you need another) by Friday, October 21st. Sign up online here: <https://crookshank-pto.cheddarup.com>

Want to help? We need you! E-mail CrookshankPTO@gmail.com or sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-volunteer2>

Candy Monsters!

We have two hungry candy monsters that need to be fed! Please send in individually wrapped candy or small prizes that we will use at the Boo Thru and FEED THESE MONSTERS! Look for them during drop off in the morning! Thank you for your support!

Smencils!

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

Spirit Night!

Our next Spirit Night will be at Zaxbys on SR16 on November 1st from 5-8! See the flyer below for details.

December's Spirit Night will be at Chili's!

ZAXBY'S



Join PTO!

Congratulations to our classes who had the highest PTO Membership participation- a popsicle party will be headed your way soon!

5th- Ms. Anderson and Ms. Fey

4th- Ms. Smolek

3rd- Ms. Keating

2nd- Ms. Kamm

1st- Ms. Boutin

K- Ms. Belardo, Ms. White, Ms. Dingler

Pre-k- Ms. Deluna, Ms. Heffernan

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-pto.cheddarup.com>

Volunteer!

Volunteer at Crookshank!

We have many volunteer opportunities around our school- some only take half an hour of your time! Check out how you can help

here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aa5a62aaaf5c61-volunteer1>





Crookshank's 2nd Annual



Boo Thru!

A FaBOOlous Night with CES Friends & Teachers!

October 27 5:30-7:30

Register at the bottom of this form OR online!
(Visit <https://crookshank-pt0.cheddarup.com> or scan this code!)

Questions? Want to volunteer?
E-mail CrookshankPTO@gmail.com

You can also sign up as a volunteer here:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-volunteer2>



Trick or Treat!
Games! Food!
Photo Booth!



Donate bags of
individually wrapped
candy and feed the
candy monsters by
10/21!

Food and raffle baskets that night- Cash Only
Register by FRIDAY, 10/21

Please fill out this section and return it to school with your child

How many students will attend?_____

Student's Name/Grade/ Teacher (list for each child attending): :_____

Parent's Name:_____

Parent Phone Number:_____ E-mail:_____

Sign up for a time to attend (this is very important!) 5:30-6:30 or 6:30-7:30

How are you paying?

____Pay Now: \$7 per family (not per child) ____Pay that evening: \$10 per family ____Photo Booth \$5



ALL PRO DAD
CHAPTERS

JOIN US

**for this month's All Pro Dad
Chapter Meeting!**

Details and RSVP link below.



St. Johns PAL- ALL Pro Dad Chapter

Come Out and Join us for the Inaugural All Pro Dad Monthly Meeting

- **Who:** Dads and their K-5th grade children
- **What:** All Pro Dad Monthly Meetup
- **When:** 10/20/2022 @6p
- **Where:** New PAL HQ- 2825 Allen Nease Rd, 32033
- **Dinner Served**
- **COST:** FREE!!





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LOCATION

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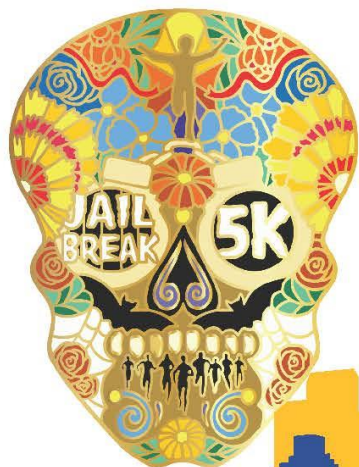
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Artsonia is the world's largest collection of student art, published by teachers and students from around the world. Parents and family can view the art online, maintain a digital art gallery, leave comments and order keepsakes featuring the artwork (20% of all purchases are donated back to your child's school). You also gain access to hundreds of virtual art classes for your child to enjoy from home.



Use your camera to scan this code.

You can also browse to www.artsonia.com/parents and enter this Parent Code
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CHALLENGE!

SAVE \$10

WITH CODE
TEAM10

JAIL BREAK 5K RUN & WALK

SATURDAY, OCT. 22 @ 7:30 AM

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167 SAN MARCO AVENUE | ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32084

JOIN OUR SCHOOL TEAM CHALLENGE!

The St. Johns County public school with the highest participation wins \$1,000, second highest wins \$500, and third wins \$250!

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First 700 finishers receive a unique skeleton key medal!
All race proceeds benefit St. Johns County public school teachers & students.

For more details & to register visit:

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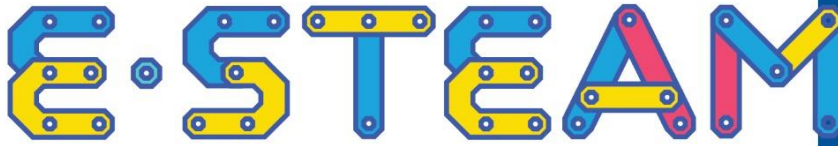


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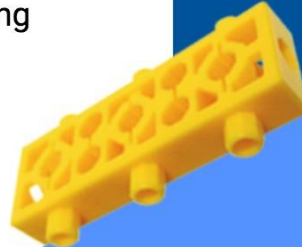
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" RoboThink is too fun!

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-Jailon, Age 7

**" I'm happy because
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-Collin, Age 10

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PLEASE JOIN OUR SAC TEAM: EMAIL 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

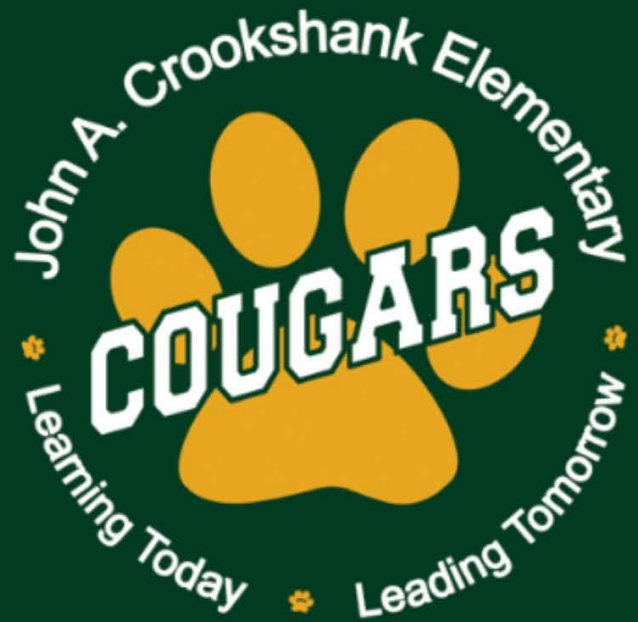
We are looking for a secretary and treasurer. Contact Rachael Miller if you are interested.

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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.



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