

Cougar Column

John A. Crookshank Elementary

The Future Begins Here! Patrick Roach, Principal Gwen Kling, Assistant Principal Christi Thomas, Assistant Principal



The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Week of December 19, 2022

Monday	12/19	
Tuesday	12/20	Kindergarten Polar Express Day
Wednesday	12/21	Venardo's Circus in Café
		PK - 2 9:00 - 9:30
		3rd - 5th 9:45 - 10:15
		Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	12/22	Winter Break - No School
Friday	12/23	Winter Break - No School
Mon - Wed	12/26	
	_	Winter Break - No School
	1/4/23	
Thursday	1/5	Students Return from Winter Break
Friday	1/6	
Monday	1/9	
Tuesday	1/10	
Wednesday	1/11	Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	1/12	
Friday	1/13	

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.







Staffing Needs

Vacancies we are actively trying to fill: ESE Para - 1 - 1:1 Positions, PreK Para - 1 Position 5th Grade Math & Science - 1 Position If you know someone interested, please have them email Patrick.Roach@k12.fl.us

Winter Break

There is no school: Thursday December 22 - Wednesday January 4th. Students return to school on Thursday January 5th

Vote for Crookshank!

The Crookshank 4th and 5th graders decorated a tree for the INK! & Old Town Trolley Tours 4th Annual Holiday Tree Decorating Contest.

Voting will begin at 9:00 AM on Monday, December 12th and will end on December 19th at 11:59 PM. Individuals may vote daily!

www.voteholidaytrees.com

The tree with the most votes will win \$1000 for its school. Second place wins \$500 and Third place wins \$250. Last year Crookshank placed 2nd, let's go for 1st this year!



What's Cooking in the Cougar Café?

Monday-Chicken Nuggets-Vegetables-Fruit Tuesday-Mac-n-cheese or Hot Dog Vegetables-Fruit

Wednesday- Bag Lunch - turkey and cheese sandwiches, apple slices, and carrots with ranch. I have soy butter and jelly sandwiches for lactose intolerant and vegetarians. The students will pick out their milk as usual.

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



Crookshank Cougars PTO



Happy Holidays!

We are so grateful for the support and encouragement of our Cougar Families, amazing faculty and staff, and community partners.

This semester, we were able to:

-fulfill several staff grants to help some of our programs get what they need -host fun events for our families to enjoy!

-provide some well-deserved staff appreciation

And, most importantly, we have had fun doing it all!

We wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday season and look forward to making 2023 amazing for our kiddos! We are grateful for you!

With thanks and best wishes, Your CES PTO















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 at Crookshank ES

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 Tuesday 3pm – 4.15pm

Start: Tuesday, January 31st (for 16 weeks)

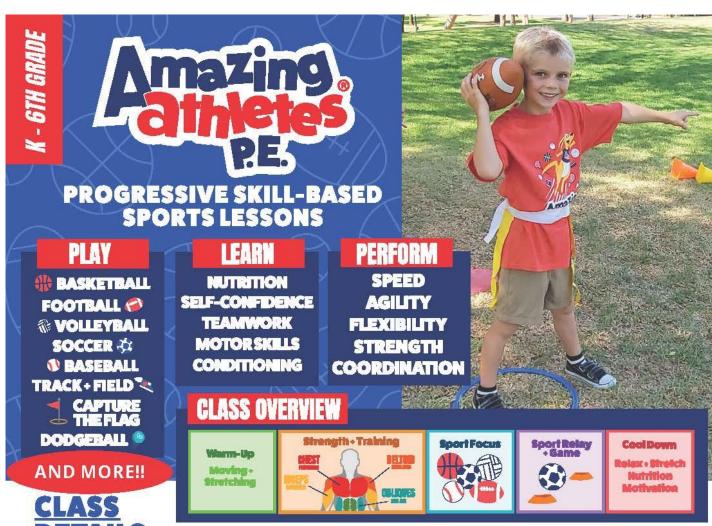
Finish: Tuesday, May 23rd (Tournament at Gamble Rogers MS)

Cost: \$145 for 16 week block (No session on March 14th- Spring Break)

Contact: Andy Carey at schools@ancientcitysoccer.com for further details

Register: Go to www.ancientcitysoccer.com

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



Our weekly classes include a variety of:

- Character Conversations
- Muscle Identification/Work
- Partner Activites

- Fitness Challenges
- Sport-Specific Skills Activities
- Supervised-Sports Game Play

Spring 2023 at Crookshank Elementary
Thursdays 3:00-4:00. Jan 12 - May 18, 2023
FREE Registration, \$15.00/class (paid monthly)
A FEW SPOTS LEFT, Don't miss out! Sign up today!!

Click HERE or Scan to Enroll

Contact us about a staff or sibling discount



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



AFTERSCHOOL

ROBOTICS

Wednesdays 2:00-3:30p

RoboThink is a step-by-step international learning program. Our exciting STEM programs develop core skills that students apply to school subjects and future careers, while fostering a love for science and robotics. With RoboThink's exclusive robotics kit and our STEAM curriculum that is NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards) aligned, students have a blast learning about robotics, engineering, technology and other STEM subjects. Curriculum is new for returning students. Ages 5-12

Dates Jan 25 - March 8
 7 week program - \$175/per builder
 *Price includes 7 classes

EARN ROBOTHINK BUCKS \$\$

Repeat students earn RoboThink Bucks! With each session your student attends, earn 5 dollars that can be redeemed towards summer camp registration at Crookshank.

REGISTER @:

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),



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 take the Kindergarten/Grade 1/Grade 2 Renaissance Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and/or Star Math assessment(s) on the dates below. Your student's results from PM2 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. If you or your student would like to review [Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and/or Star Math] sample items at home, sample test items are available at <a href="https://flfast.org/resources/renaissance-star

The Star Early Literacy assessment typically takes less than 15 minutes to complete. The Star Reading assessment is usually completed in less than 20 minutes, and the Star Math assessment typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete.

12/5 – Reading: Zytowski, Frazer, Watts, Simcoe 1/9 – Reading: Ramirez, Heldenbrand 12/6 – Math: Zytowski, Frazer, Watts, Simcoe 1/10 – Math: Ramirez, Heldenbrand

12/8 – Reading: Baker, Kamm 1/12 – Reading: McQuaig, Taylor, Dingler, White, M.

Moore

12/9 – Math: Baker, Kamm 1/13 – Math: McQuaig, Taylor, Dingler, White, M. Moore

12/12 – Reading: Richardson, Jersey, Harmon 12/13 – Math: Richardson, Jersey, Harmon

12/15 – Reading: Ahr, Boutin, Gurick

12/16 – Math: Ahr, Boutin, Gurick

Make Up Dates: 12/8, 12/9, 12/19, 12/20, 1/5, 1/6, 1/20, 1/23, 1/24, 1/26, 1/27

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact:

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For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at FLFAST.org.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

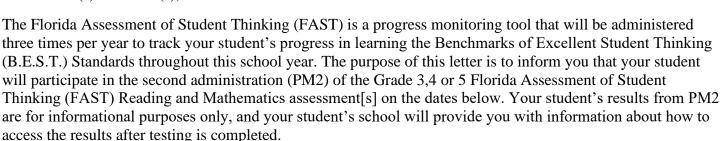
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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),



12/5 – Reading: Anderson, Fernandez, Miller 1/9 – Reading: Bikowski, Simpson 12/6 – Math: Anderson, Fernandez, Miller 1/10 – Math: Bikowski, Simpson

12/8 – Reading: Houck, Acs 1/17 – Reading: Coriell, McVay, Keating,

Mattheisen

12/9 – Math: Houck, Acs 1/19 – Math: Coriell, McVay, Keating, Mattheisen

12/12 – Reading: Kennelly 12/13 – Math: Kennelly

12/15 – Reading: Allen, Zaletel, Gallagher, Smolek 12/16 – Math: Allen, Zaletel, Gallagher, Smolek

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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 Reading and Mathematics sample items at home, sample test materials are available at https://flfast.org/families.html

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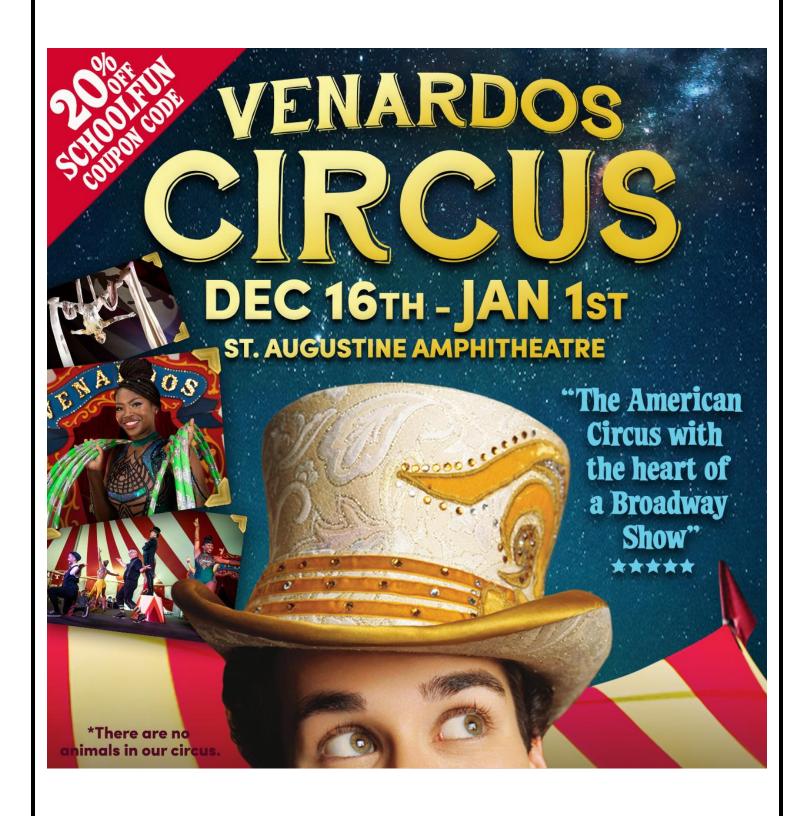
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Patrick Roach, Principal





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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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