



Cougar Column

John A. Crookshank Elementary

The Future Begins Here!

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The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Week of January 9, 2023

Monday	1/9	FAST Testing Continues
Tuesday	1/10	
Wednesday	1/11	Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	1/12	
Friday	1/13	Wear your favorite Hat to school
Monday	1/16	No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Tuesday	1/17	
Wednesday	1/18	Report Cards posted to HAC Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	1/19	SAC Meeting 4:00 pm Media Center PTO Talent Show 6:00 pm
Friday	1/20	Cougars with Character Assembly

Reminder -

District Policy on Unauthorized Use of Wireless Communication Devices or Cell Phone

Students may possess cellular telephones and other wireless communication devices (including Smartwatches) at school, on buses, and at school functions. However, they must be turned off, stored in student's backpack, purse, locker or vehicle. The device shall not be used during the school day without administrative approval or on school buses to and from school. Failure to comply may result in the device being confiscated. Repeated failure to comply will be considered defiance of school rules and parents/guardians may be asked to pick up the confiscated device.

Staffing Needs

Vacancies we are actively trying to fill:

ESE Para - 1 - 1:1 Position

5th Grade Math & Science - 1 Position

Behavior Interventionist - 1 Position

If you know someone interested, please have them email

Patrick.Roach@k12.fl.us

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- Ice Cream is on sale for \$1.00

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

Girls on the Run

Attention parents of girls in grades 3rd-5th, Girls on the Run is coming back for the spring season! Parents, we have limited spots for this afterschool program. Please speak to your daughter to make sure they really want to participate. At practice, we will be working on social emotional skill development, critical thinking skills, and they will be jogging/running. In this program, they will be working towards completing a 5K. There is a practice 5K mid-season at the school and an end of season 5K at UNF with all the other Girls on the Run teams.

In the spring other programs become available through school such as tutoring opportunities and drama. Your daughter won't be able to do multiple afterschool activities unless they are on other days. Be on the lookout for more information next week.

We can't wait to work with your daughters



Coach Fernandez

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.



Kick Start Art - an afterschool art enrichment program that exposes students to master artist while practicing multiple artistic mediums. This program is FREE but space is limited. See the flyer below for more details.

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

Dismissal Changes cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Crookshank Cougars PTO



PTO Meeting

Our next PTO Meeting is already here! Tuesday, January 10th, in the CES Media Center or online, join us to find out what we've been up to, and what we have planned for the semester! Here's the virtual link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87696618406?pwd=NXdhZy9EOkhrWDFEdEwxcGwyMHNvQT09>

Holiday Shop- THANK YOU!

Our holiday shop was a huge success! This was the first year that we did not use a third party company, and we had so many wonderful items available at great prices- we were happy that the kiddos were able to find something for each member of their family! Special thanks to Renee Hobbs and Shawna Erwin for organizing it all, and to Ms. Johnson and Ms. Orta for letting us use their room. Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers for helping our students shop! We're already shopping for next year- if you're out and about and see some items at a great price- let us know! CrookshankPTO@gmail.com.

Thank you again for your support!

Talent Show

IT'S ALMOST HERE! Thursday, January 19th is the day for our Cougars to shine! At 6:00 pm, bring your family (admission is free!) for an evening of entertainment and to support our students as they showcase dance, art, comedy, singing, and more! Refreshments will be available for \$1 apiece. *All performers have been sent an email with information- reach out to us at CrookshankPTO@gmail.com if you haven't received it! See flyer below for more details.

Smencils!

Smencils are back! On Tuesday and Thursday mornings, they are on sale- one for \$2 and three for \$5. We have special Smencils for each holiday!



Spirit Night!

Our Spirit Night this month is on Wednesday, January 25th at ADVENTURE LANDING!!! From 5-8 pm, get a \$15 wristband for unlimited go-kart rides and putt putt!



Volunteer!

We have so many great opportunities to volunteer this semester at Crookshank! From helping in the lunchroom, to teacher appreciation, to PTO events, we are grateful for any time you have to give! Keep checking the link, as we will add more opportunities! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-volunteer1>

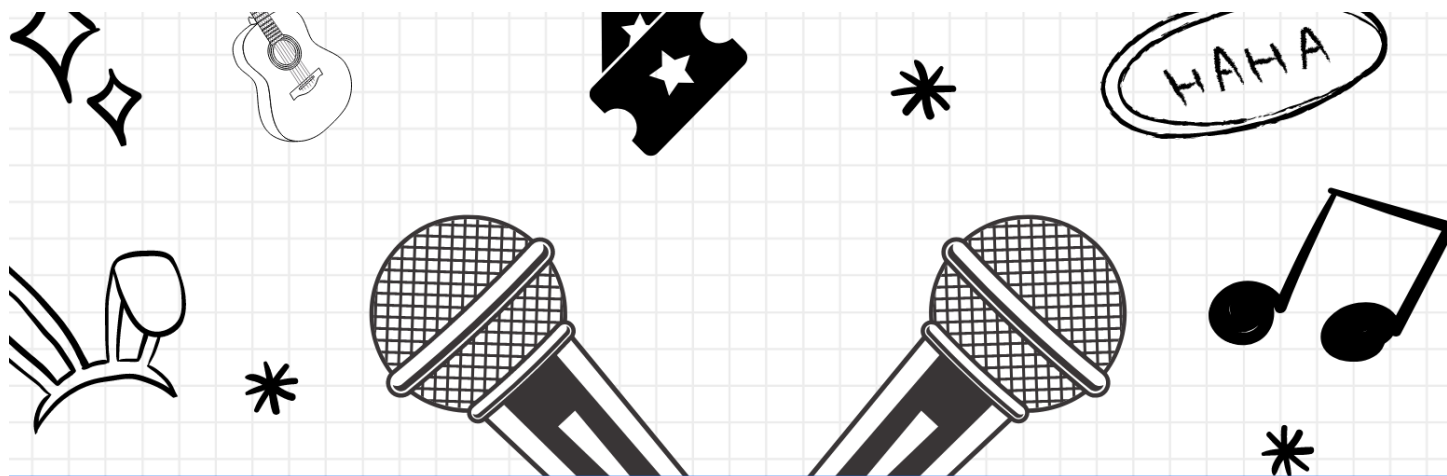
Birthday Messages

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.



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



Crookshank **TALENT SHOW**

JANUARY 19 | 6PM

CES CAFETERIA

*** ADMISSION IS FREE!**

Come out and watch our cougars shine!

Concessions and raffles available for \$1

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**CLASSES
INCLUDE:**



Kick START is an afterschool art enrichment program that exposes students to master artists, while practicing multiple artistic mediums. REGISTER NOW!

- 90 minute class meets weekly on Thursdays throughout spring semester from 3-4:30pm **ON SCHOOL CAMPUS** starting Jan. 26
- Program is **FREE** at John A. Crookshank Elem.
- Open to all students enrolled at school, but limited space available

Contact Toni Thomas
904-280-0614 X 1206
tthomas@firstcoastculturalcenter.org

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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 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

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CLASS OVERVIEW

Warm-Up
Moving-
Stretching



Cool Down
Relax + Stretch
Nutrition
Motivation



CLASS DETAILS:

Our weekly classes include a variety of:

- Character Conversations
- Fitness Challenges
- Muscle Identification/Work
- Sport-Specific Skills Activities
- Partner 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



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AFTERSCHOOL

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Wednesdays 2:00-3:30p

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- 7 week program - \$175/per builder
- *Price includes 7 classes

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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 <https://flfast.org/resources/renaissance-star/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:

Adriana Orta – Adriana.Orta@stjohns.k12.fl.us Joelle Johnson – Joelle.Johnson@stjohns.k12.fl.us
Bailey Benoit – Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us

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,

Patrick Roach – Principal

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12/5 – Reading: Anderson, Fernandez, Miller

12/6 – Math: Anderson, Fernandez, Miller

12/8 – Reading: Houck, Acs

Mattheisen

12/9 – Math: Houck, Acs

12/12 – Reading: Kennelly

12/13 – Math: Kennelly

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

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

1/9 – Reading: Bikowski, Simpson

1/10 – Math: Bikowski, Simpson

1/17 – Reading: Coriell, McVay, Keating,

1/19 – Math: Coriell, McVay, Keating, Mattheisen

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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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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

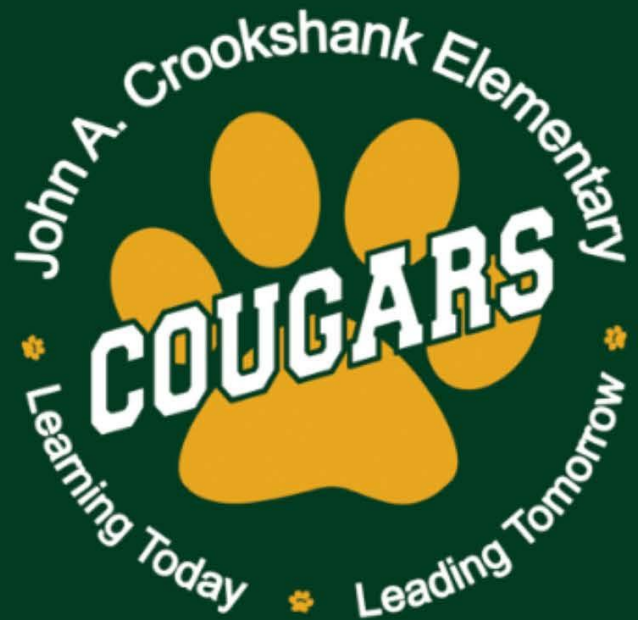
We are looking for a secretary and treasurer. Contact Rachael Miller if you are interested.

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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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