



Cougar Column



John A. Crookshank Elementary

The Future Begins Here!

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The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Week of February 27, 2023

Monday	2/27	Book Fair Begins
Tuesday	2/28	
Wednesday	3/1	Spread the Word Inclusion Day Early Dismissal 1:45 pm Book Fair Family Day 2:30 - 5:30 pm
Thursday	3/2	
Friday	3/3	Grammar Day - Wear something that shows you know your grammar.
Monday	3/6	
Tuesday	3/7	Bag it Up Day
Wednesday	3/8	Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	3/9	End of Quarter 3
Friday	3/10	No School - Teacher Planning Day
Monday	3/13	Spring Break - No School
Tuesday	3/14	Spring Break - No School
Wednesday	3/15	Spring Break - No School
Thursday	3/16	Spring Break - No School
Friday	3/17	Spring Break - No School

Bag It UP!

START CLEANING OUT THOSE CLOSETS!
Good Will is going to be at Crookshank collecting your donations!
Tuesday March 7th.
Donations may include clothing items, shoes, household items, furniture items, toys, books and more!
Bins will be marked for each grade level. The grade level with the bins filled with the most items will win a pizza party!
See flyer below for more details.

Kids Heart Challenge
Our School is Heart Healthy!

Congratulations Cougars! We raised \$6,509.20 to help the American Heart Association complete research that will help save lives of those who have sick hearts! Many of you learned how to perform hands only CPR so you are prepared to save a life in the event of an emergency. We learned how to take care of our own hearts and brains by eating healthy, exercising, sleeping, drinking water/staying hydrated, and avoiding tobacco products. Great job Cougars!! Thank you for your participation.

“Spread the Word >> Inclusion”
Wednesday, March 1st

On March 1st, we would like students, teachers, and staff to either virtually pledge to spread inclusion (<https://www.spreadtheword.global/pledge>) or sign the banner during lunch.

- I have over 200 silicone inclusion bracelets which will be passed out to students who pledge to spread inclusion by signing the banner during lunch.
- To learn more about this event, please view this video: <https://www.spreadtheword.global/about>

Dr. Seuss Week

Kindergarten will be celebrating Dr. Seuss Week March 6th - March 9th.

Thing Monday - Those things are no good, they're up to trouble I say! But let's join in the fun, make messes, and do as Cat Said! Yes, sir its true, so don't be blue, we'll be like Thing 1 and Thing 2 attire.

Green Tuesday - I do not like green! I will not wear it in by school, I will not wear it in my classroom, I will not wear it here or there, I will not wear it anywhere! Except for today! Wear your best green clothes today for Green Eggs and Ham Day!

Wacky Wednesday - The middle of the week? It seems quite bleak, so my friends we'll give it a tweak! We'll wear mismatched clothes and silly socks and read Dr. Seuss books; they rock!

Splendid Sock Thursday - Wear your favorite pair of silly socks!

Friday - No School!

Book Fair!

The book fair will open on Monday, February 27th - March 3rd during school hours. You can preview books at the link below. Only students who bring money will be able to shop.

Family Night will be March 1st from 2:30-5:30 p.m.

Our school's online fair URL below is available for those who can't attend in person, but would like to shop the book fair from home and still support our school. This is also where parents can purchase digital gift cards for their students!

Shop Until: March 03, 2023

<https://efairs.literati.com/?school=john-a-crookshank-elem-school-st-augustine-fl>

Orders purchased online will be shipped at the end of book fair week. Please allow approximately 10 business days for orders to arrive to our school.

Discover *hidden gems* at the Literati Book Fair!

<https://efairs.literati.com/?school=john-a-crookshank-elem-school-st-augustine-fl>

Date: February 27-March 3

Time: School hours

Family Shopping Night

Date: March 1

Time: 2:30-5:30 PM



Notes from Nurse Roxane

Parents, do you ever wonder if you should keep your child home or send them to school? The District has put our Illness Guidelines to help parents/guardians in deciding when to send or exclude their child from school with an illness. I've attached what is on the SJCS D website as well as the link to: ILLNESS AND PREVENTION

GUIDELINES <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/health/illness/>

The full document is also posted below.

Boys and Girls Club

We have the opportunity to have 40 of our kids (ages 6 - 18) attend the after-school program at the Boys and Girls Club through a grant from The Players Championship Club. This is a great opportunity for our students as this provides after-school care, academic help and enrichment as well as a snack and dinner at no cost to you. Transportation will be provided from Crookshank to the Boys and Girls Club each afternoon. Space is limited and on a first come first served basis.

Please see the flyer below for more details.



Crookshank Cougars PTO



Upcoming Fundraiser

Cougars, get ready for PENNY WARS in the last week of March! Which grade will bring in the most change? The winning grade will receive a prize!

Smencils!

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

Spirit Night!

Our next spirit night is Tuesday, March 21st at Papa John's! Online orders only- details to come!



Spirit Wear Fridays!

Winter is still here, and we still have plenty of hoodies for sale! Shop for yours now- we have youth and adult sizes! <https://crookshank-pto.cheddarup.com>



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-pto>

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



Lunchroom Help

We are in need of Parent Volunteers to help with lunchroom coverage. If you have an hour (or two) to spare and would like to help out, please sign up!

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



GOODWILL
INDUSTRIES OF NORTH FLORIDA

26th Annual Bag it Up School Donation Drive



Crookshank Elementary
Date: March 7th

Kids will bring and drop off their donations during morning arrival, the day of their school drive!

Participating Schools receive \$2K
One class from each grade with the most participation will win a PIZZA PARTY!!!





SEBASTIAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Now!!

February 15th

February 23-24

February 28th

March 1st

March 2nd

March 3rd

View our website

5:30 – 7:00 SMS STEM Rising 6th Night!

All are welcome!

Recommendation sheets go home in folders.

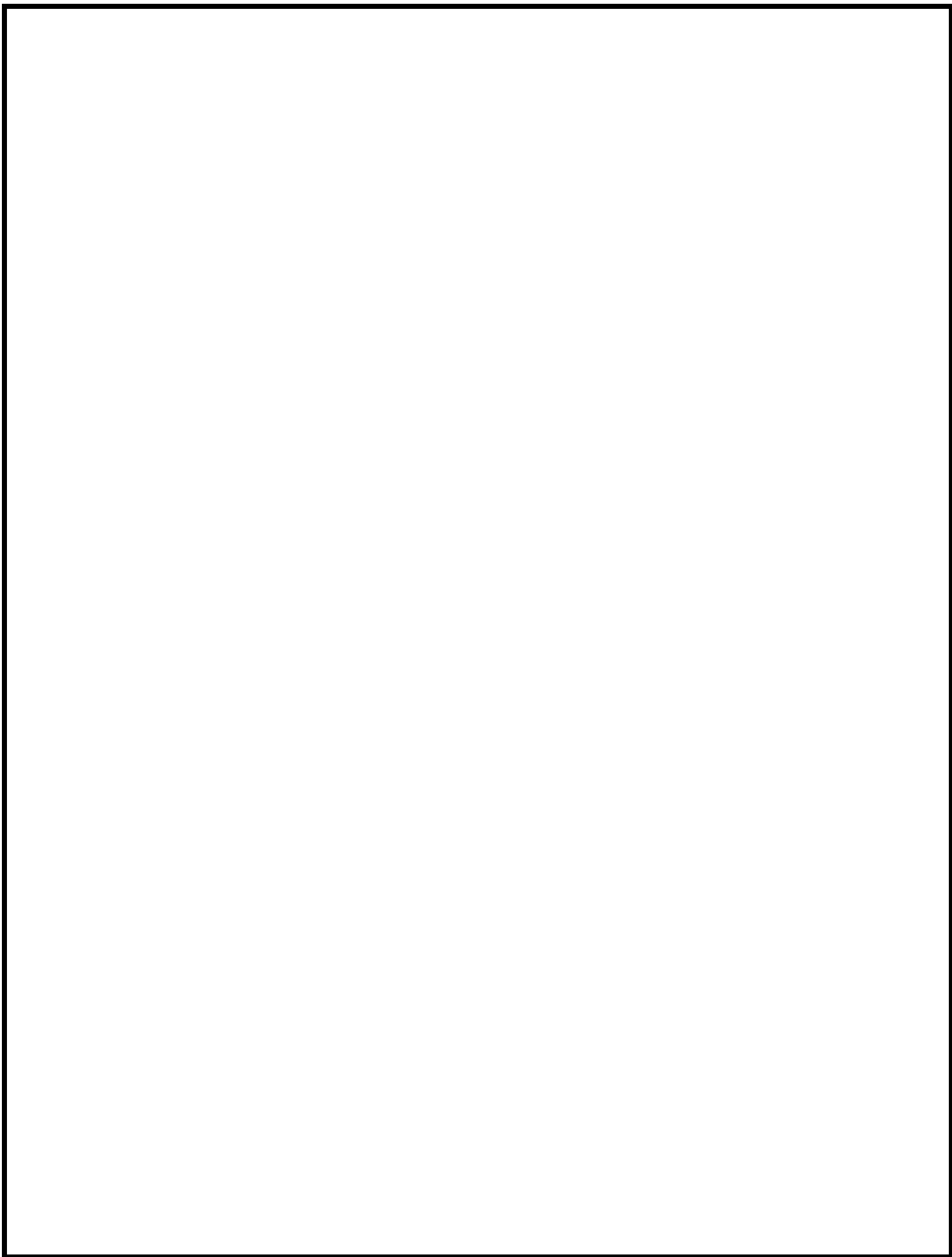
Registration at Ketterlinus

Registration @ R B Hunt

Registration at Crookshank

Registration at Palencia







GIFTED PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (GPAC)

*Join us to learn more about Gifted Characteristics
& Affective Accompaniments as well as Gifted
Education Plans & Annual Progress Monitoring*

ST. AUGUSTINE HIGH SCHOOL
THURSDAY 2/23/23
6:30-8 PM
MEDIA CENTER

*Parents of K-12 gifted students are
encouraged to attend the GPAC meetings to support and
improve our efforts in serving our gifted students. The GPAC
topics in tonight's session are intended for adults. Hands-on
learning activities will also be offered for K-12 gifted students.*



ILLNESS GUIDELINES

Health Services

Deciding when to keep your child home from school can be difficult. When a child is sick and needs to stay at home, parents should contact the school and describe the illness and symptoms. If a medical provider makes a specific diagnosis (such as strep throat, conjunctivitis, chicken pox, etc.), let school staff know.

There are several reasons to keep (exclude) sick children from school:

1. The child does not feel well enough to participate comfortably in usual activities, such as with extreme signs of tiredness or fatigue, unexplained irritability or persistent crying.
2. The child requires more care than the school staff is able to provide without affecting the health and safety of the other children.
3. The illness is on the list of symptoms or illness for which exclusion is recommended.
4. The child is not vaccinated due to medical or religious reasons and there is an outbreak in the school.

The following list gives guidelines and recommendations for exclusion from school due to illness. Children with minor illness need not be excluded unless one or more of the following exists.

ILLNESS OR SYMPTOMS	EXCLUSION IS NECESSARY
Chicken Pox	Yes – Until blisters have dried and crusted (usually 6 days).
Conjunctivitis (pink eye) (pink or red eyes with thick mucous or pus draining from the eye)	Yes – May return 24 hours after treatment begins. If your health provider decides not to treat your child, a note is needed.
Coughing (severe, uncontrolled coughing or wheezing, rapid or difficulty in breathing)	Yes – Medical attention may be necessary. NOTE: Children with asthma may be cared for in school with a written health care plan and authorization for medication/treatment.
Coxsackie Virus (Hand, foot and mouth disease)	No – May attend if able to participate in school activities, unless the child has mouth sores and is drooling.
Diarrhea (frequent, loose or watery stools not caused by diet or medication)	Yes – if child looks or acts ill; diarrhea with vomiting; diarrhea that is not contained in the toilet.
Fever with behavior changes or illness <u>Fever</u> is an elevation of body temperature above normal.	Yes – when fever is elevated above 100.4° and is accompanied by behavior changes or other symptoms of illness, such as fatigue, rash, sore throat, upper respiratory symptoms, vomiting, diarrhea, etc. Must remain at home for at least 24 hours or until all symptoms subside medication free.
Fifth Disease	No – child is no longer contagious once rash illness appears.
Head Lice	Yes – May return after treatment and removal of all live lice and nits from hair.
Hepatitis A	Yes - Until 1 week after onset of illness or jaundice and when able to participate in school activities.
Herpes	Yes – if area is oozing and cannot be covered, e.g.,

	mouth sores. Otherwise, may return to school.
Impetigo/Staph/MRSA	Yes – May return 24 hours after treatment starts. Wound must be covered with dressing taped on all 4 sides.
Body Rash <u>with</u> fever	Yes – Seek medical advice. Any rash that spreads quickly, has open, weeping wounds and/or is not healing should be evaluated. May return to school when medical provider determines that illness is not communicable.
Mild Cold Symptoms (stuffy nose with clear drainage, sneezing, mild cough)	No – May attend if well enough to participate in school activities.
Upper Respiratory Complications - large amount of thick nasal discharge - extreme sleepiness - ear pain - fever (100° or above orally)	Yes – Seek medical advice. May return when symptoms are improved.
Ringworm	Yes – May return after treatment begins. Area should be covered while in school for the first 48 hours of treatment.
Roseola	No – Unless child cannot participate in usual activities and has fever.
Scabies	Yes – May return after treatment is started with note from medical provider.
Strep Throat	Yes – May return after 24 hours of antibiotic treatment and no fever for 24 hours.
Vaccine Preventable Diseases (mumps, measles, whooping cough)	Yes – Until judged not infectious by a medical provider. Report all cases to Health Services Coordinator.
Vomiting (2 or more episodes in the past 24 hrs)	Yes – until vomiting resolves or health care provider determines that cause is not communicable. Note: Observe for other signs of illness and for dehydration.

Handout developed by The Children's Hospital School Health Program, Denver, CO (303) 281-2790, 1995, revised 1999, 2001, and 2003. **Revised 2019, for use by St. Johns County School Health Services, St. Johns County, FL.**

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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
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AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

Benefits of Being a Boys & Girls Club Member

- FREE After School Program with Snacks & Dinner
- FREE bus transportation provided from Osceola, Webster and Crookshank Elementary School to the Club.
- Parents/guardians will be responsible to pick up your child(ren)
- at the TPC Club at 555 West King Street, St. Augustine.
- Afterschool service times: 3:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
- Homework assistance
- Project-based learning and enrichment programs to enhance what students learn in school
- Programming: Academic Learning, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) + Literacy Programs
- Adult Family Services – The Boys & Girls Clubs will provide Osceola Elementary Adult Family Members with fun programs, literacy and other topics of importance.

**Begins August 10th
Monday - Friday**

Club Information

**THE PLAYERS Championship
Club**

555 West King Street
St. Augustine, Florida

Rona Welch, Unit Director
RonaW@BGCNF.org

904.825.1975

Register On Line at www.BGCNF.org/join

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**FLORIDA'S 21ST CENTURY
COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS**

Are you going to lose your **Medicaid**?

Do you or a family member currently have health coverage through **Medicaid** or the **Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)/KidCare**? Take steps now to find out if you can continue your Medicaid coverage or if you are eligible for a health plan through the **Health Insurance Marketplace**®.



Some things you can do to prepare:

- ✓ Make sure your **address** is up to date with **DCF (Department of Children & Families)**
- ✓ **Read your mail from Medicaid. Renewal notices are coming!**
- ✓ **Contact your local Navigator for free help (scan QR code)**



For more information, call your local Navigator toll-free: (866) 295-5955 or visit www.123Covered.org



ABOVE *and* BEEYOND



TEACHER ESSAY CONTEST

JANUARY 9 - MARCH 12

Applebee's® will award one deserving teacher from each school district a \$500 sponsorship check for their classroom for the upcoming year and host their current class an end-of-the-year party!*

To enter the contest, students will need to nominate their teacher with an essay on why their teacher deserves to be Applebee's Teacher of the Year!



All entries receive an Applebee's
FREE ICE CREAM CERTIFICATE

Middle & High School Students: **500 WORDS**
Elementary School Students: **1/2 PAGE**

*Contest open 1/9/23 - 3/12/23 to Doherty Enterprises owned and operated Applebee's® restaurants in the following counties: Florida (Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Duval, Indian River, Lee, Miami-Dade, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Sarasota, St. Johns and St. Lucie) and Georgia (Ware). Prizes subject to change. All essays will need to be submitted in person to your local Doherty Enterprises owned and operated Applebee's® location in Florida and Georgia. Please see a Manager for additional rules and submittal form.

Applebee's Above & "Bee"yond Teacher Essay Contest

2023 Rules & Regulations

Applebee's will award one deserving teacher from each school district (county) a \$500 sponsorship check for their classroom for the upcoming year and throw their current class an end of the year party** at Applebee's.

**If student/school cannot accommodate class party, party will be replaced by two dinner for four certificates for essay writer.

- Contest dates:
 - Contest starts: Monday, January 9, 2023
 - Contest will end on Sunday, March 12, 2023
 - All entries must be delivered to the local Applebee's no later than 10 PM March 12, 2023
 - Winner will be announced on Friday, April 14, 2023
 - End of Year Party will need to be thrown before Sunday, June 11, 2023
- To enter the contest:
 - Must nominate an elementary, middle or high school teacher in stated counties below.
 - Middle and High School students will need to nominate their teacher with a 500 word essay on why their teacher deserves to be Applebee's Teacher of the Year.
 - Elementary School students will need to nominate their teacher with a ½ page essay on why their teacher deserves to be Applebee's Teacher of the Year
 - All essays will need to be submitted in person to their local Applebee's General Manager/Manager on duty.
- Entries must attend school in the following counties:
 - Counties include:
 - Georgia: Ware
 - Florida: Duval, St. Johns, Indian River, St. Lucie, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota
- Contest only valid at Doherty Inc. owned and operated Applebee's restaurants

Applebee's Above & "Bee"yond Teacher Essay Contest

Submission Form

Name of Student _____ Email Address and/or Phone _____

Name of Teacher Nominated _____ Name of School Student Attends _____

County in which student attends school _____ Principal of School _____

For Applebee's ONLY

Applebee's Location Submitted To _____ Date Essay Submitted _____

Manager Name Submitted To _____ Manager Signature _____

Please Staple Essay to Submission Form*

John A. Crookshank Elementary

1455 N. Whitney Street
Saint Augustine, FL
32084(904) 547-7840
<http://www.ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us>



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 Moore	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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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

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

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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Sincerely,

Patrick Roach, Principal

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Recognize Your Student in the
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Ad Submission Deadline **2/14/2023**

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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

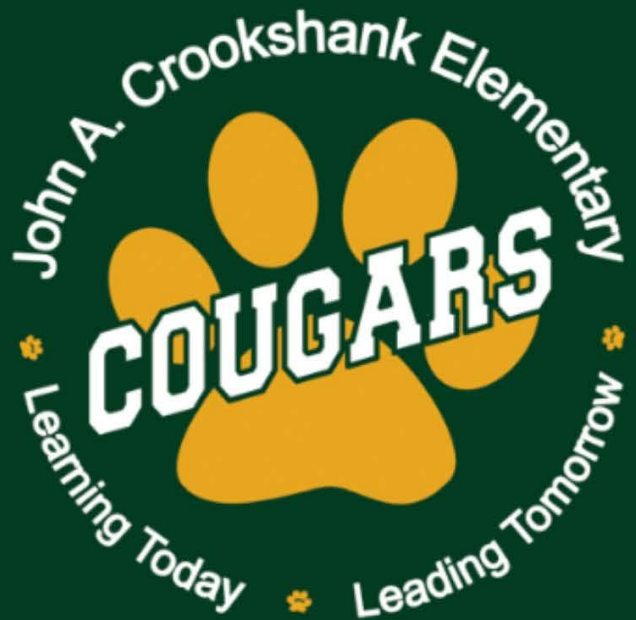
We are looking for a secretary and treasurer. Contact Rachael Miller if you are interested.

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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

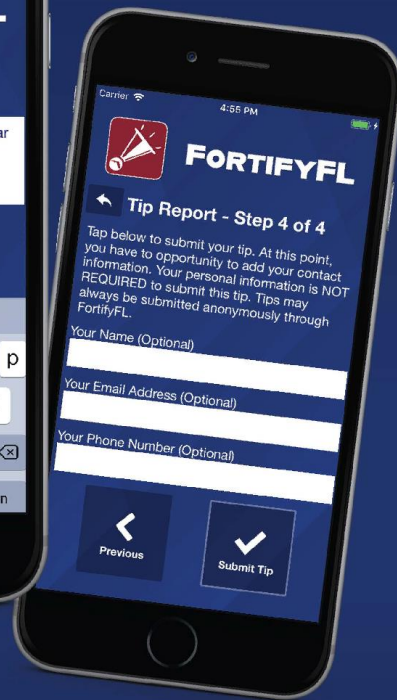
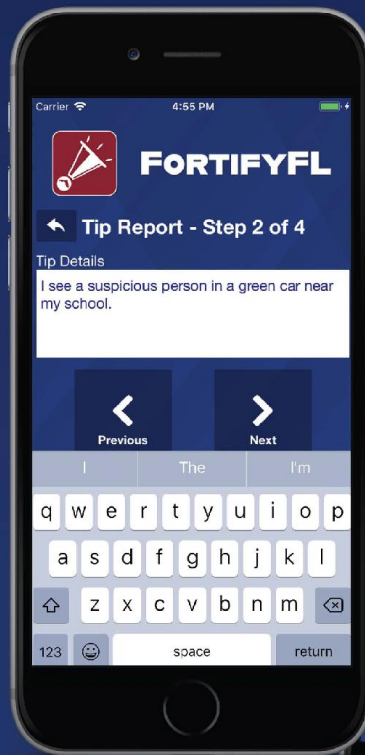
John A. Crookshank Elementary School faculty and staff members believe working together, we all succeed.



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