



Cougar Column

John A. Crookshank Elementary

The Future Begins Here!

Patrick Roach, Principal

Gwen Kling, Assistant Principal

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The Cougar Column is delivered via School Messenger

Week of April 10, 2023

Monday	4/10	No School – Student/Teacher Holiday
Tuesday	4/11	
Wednesday	4/12	Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	4/13	
Friday	4/14	Muffins in the Morning 8:00 – 8:25 – Café Registration is Closed
Monday	4/17	K-2 STAR Reading and Math Begins 3rd Grade Field Study – Colonial Quarter
Tuesday	4/18	
Wednesday	4/19	Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	4/20	SAC Meeting 4:00 – Media Center
Friday	4/21	“Look a Like Day” – Who’s Twinning?
Monday	4/24	
Tuesday	4/25	Interims Issued in HAC
Wednesday	4/26	Early Dismissal 1:45 pm
Thursday	4/27	
Friday	4/28	Superhero Day – Dress Like a Superhero No Full Face Masks

End of the Year Testing Windows

It's that time of year! When it is your child's testing days, please make sure to have them here on time and well rested!

K-2 STAR Reading and Math – April 17 – May 25

3-5 Cambium FAST Reading and Math – May 1 – May 25

5th grade Science – May 1 – 25

See the letters below for more information and individual testing schedules.

HAC

See your child's current assignments and grades online anytime.. Please contact Lisa Cogar at 547-7846 if you are unable to access this resource.

<https://homeaccess.stjohns.k12.fl.us/HomeAccess/Account/LogOn?ReturnUrl=%2fhomeaccess>

Summer Learning Opportunities

Our rising 4th & 5th grade students will have an opportunity to participate in a Summer Science and Writing Camp.

There will be a limited number of seats.

Please see the flyer below.

Summer Camps

Boys and Girls Club

Summer Academy <https://www.bgcnf.org/camps>

See the flyer below for more details.

PAL Summer Camps

Summer sports and cheer camps. See the flyer below for more details.

Summer Camps offered in town.

<https://fun4auggiekids.com/Camps/>

West Augustine Gotta Catch 'Em All Summer Camp

St. John's County Parks and Recreation is offering a summer camp to West Augustine residents.

See the flyer below for more details.

Social Studies Instructional Materials Adoption

The St. Johns County School District has begun the review process for the Social Studies Instructional Materials Adoption. Once available for review, the digital resources will be posted [here](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/textbooks/adoption/)

(<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/textbooks/adoption/>) and available for review. The core resources that have been submitted for evaluation were selected from the state adoption consideration lists when available. Additional resources for advanced programs may be reviewed from materials listed as appropriate for the program indicated.

Some print materials may be available for review. If you would like access to the available printed materials or require assistance reviewing the online resources, please call the Instructional Resources and Media Services office at 904-547-3947. Materials are available for review from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM when district offices are open.

We encourage parent and community participation in our adoption process. If you would like to serve on a school committee and formally review the resources as a part of the school review team, please Christi Thomas at 904-547-7830 by April 21, 2023. Committee membership is limited. School administrators will select the appropriate number of reviewers from the list of interested participants.

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

Dismissal Changes cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Crookshank Cougars PTO



Have Fun With Us Next Year!

Have you been wanting to become more involved at CES? Join us on the PTO Board! We serve the school in so many ways, and we have FUN doing it! You don't have to be a stay at home parent- we are working parents who each give a little to make a big difference! Here are the positions available for next year:

Secretary

Spirit Sales Chairperson

Fundraising Chairperson

Special Events Chairperson

Team up with another person to co-chair any of these positions, too! Reach out to us at CrookshankPTO@gmail.com if you'd like to join us or nominate someone!

Fill out this Google Form to nominate yourself or someone

else! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfKepe3GMTligL_BAGtEJWVoNUWMe2z8O7C6muJFO5M1On_g5Q/viewform

Free Books!

New Worlds Reading sends FREE books and reading activities directly to your Florida K-5 students not reading on grade level! Applying is EASY!

1. Families can visit newworldsreading.com/enroll.
2. Students and families select the types of books they want to read and their preferred language. English, Spanish, Haitian Creole and braille are available.
3. Once enrolled, they'll receive books and reading activities every month of the school year through 5th grade.

Volunteer!

We have some great plans for the rest of the year to share with you! We have updated our volunteer link, check it out for opportunities to help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-volunteer1>

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1-5th, and we are planning a week filled with surprises and treats to show our amazing faculty and staff how much we love them! Stay tuned for information on how you can participate!

Smencils!

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

Snack Cart Alert

Thank you for all of the donations for the Woot Woot Wagon snack cart. It was greatly appreciated by the entire faculty!

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!

<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-ptol>

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!

John A. Crookshank Elementary

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



Dear Parent/Guardian,

The **Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST)** is a progress monitoring system that is 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 third administration (PM3) of the Grades 3rd – 5th Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Reading and Mathematics assessments on May 1 – May 16. The results from PM3 will show how well your student has mastered the grade level content standards, and you will be provided with information about how to access the results after testing is completed.

Your student's FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. The questions get less or more difficult depending on how a student responds, and each student will see different questions from a common item bank. Each test attempt (PM1, PM2, and PM3) will present items that 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>.

5/1 – 3 rd Grade Reading	5/15 – 4 th Grade Reading: Gallagher, Smolek
5/2 – 3 rd Grade Math	5 th Grade Science
5/3 – 5/5 3 rd Grade Make Ups	5/16 – 4 th Grade Math: Gallagher, Smolek
5/8 – 5 th Grade Reading	5 th Grade Science
5/9 – 5 th Grade Math	5/17 – 5/19 Make Ups
5/10 – Make Ups	5/22 – 5/25 Make Ups
5/11 – 4 th Grade Reading: Kennelly, Allen, Zaletel	
5/12 – 4 th Grade Math: Kennelly, Allen, Zaletel	

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- **Electronic Devices**—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing **or** during breaks (e.g., restroom), **even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them**. If your student is found with an electronic device or is found using Bluetooth/wireless headphones/earbuds during testing, his or her test will be invalidated.
- **Calculator Policy**—For Grades 7–8 FAST Mathematics assessments, approved handheld scientific calculators may be used. For Grade 6 FAST Mathematics, a handheld four-function calculator may be used.
- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by clicking the box in the secure browser indicating they understand the testing rules.

- **Discussing Test Content after Testing**—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they click the box to accept the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states that because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, students may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items and passages) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting to social media sites. Please make sure your student understands this policy prior to testing and remind them that “discussing” test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. **While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.**
- **Working Independently**—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated.
- **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing a test (e.g., for lunch, an appointment), he or she **will not** be allowed to return to that test. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.
- **Testing Accommodations**—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL) or a recently exited ELL, please contact the school to discuss the testing accommodations that will be provided for your student.

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

Joelle Johnson – Joelle.Johnson@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Bailey Benoit – Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us

For more information about the FAST 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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PAWS UP!

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Your student's FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. The questions get less or more difficult depending on how a 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.

4/17 – 2nd Grade Reading
4/18 – 2nd Grade Math
4/20 – 1st Grade Reading
4/21 – 1st Grade Math
4/24 – Kindergarten Reading: McQuaig, Taylor, Ramirez, Heldenbrand
4/25 – Kindergarten Math: McQuaig, Taylor, Ramirez, Heldenbrand
4/27 – Kindergarten Reading: Dinger, White, Moore
4/28 – Kindergarten Math: Dinger, White, Moore

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

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Check out our Bestselling STEAM Book Series!

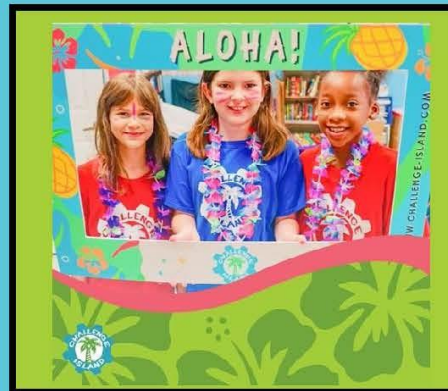


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Challenge Island is made up of an archipelago of fun, whimsical, yet fully standard-aligned islands.

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Every island features its own unique set of thematic destinations. Each destination offers a unique engineering challenge.

During every Challenge Island class or field trip, STEAM Teams visit one of those 100's of destinations and collaboratively tackle the challenge using only a treasure chest of low-tech supplies and their boundless imaginations!



About Challenge Island

Challenge Island is the World's #1 STEAM Program. With 130 locations across the USA and worldwide, we have partnered with 10,000 schools and served 5 million children through our field trips, after school classes and summer programs. Our bestselling STEAM Adventure book series can be found in stores everywhere.



2023 Schedule

**Crookshank Elementary
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!**

**Dates: TUESDAYS
March 21 – May 9
3:00-4:00pm**

REGISTER AT:

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Questions?
Inquire at firstcoast@challenge-island.com
Call us at:
904-447-9547



SUMMER LEARNING

Rising 4th & 5th Science and Writing Camp

June 5 – July 13

Two Sessions

Session 1: June 5 – June 20

Session 2: June 26 – July 13

Location: John A. Crookshank

Time: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Snack, Breakfast & Lunch Provided

Tons of Fun!

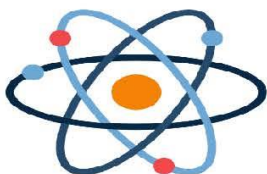
Fun Activities

Imagine

Discover

Explore

Create





Join the Boys & Girls Club for Our 2023 Summer Academy

June 12th – July 28th, 2023

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW LIVE!

- Free
- 9 am – 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday
- Reading, Math, and Enrichment Programming
- **First Come, First Served**

Submit your application at:
<https://www.bgcnf.org/camps>

THE PLAYERS Championship
Boys & Girls Club
555 W. King St.
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(904) 825-975



BASKETBALL

Tues. 5/30-Fri. 6/2
Ages 7-14
Time 9am-2pm
Ketterlinus Gym

\$125.



BOXING

Mon. 6/12-Thur. 6/15
Ages 7-17
Time 8am-1pm
W.E. Harris Center

\$125.



BASEBALL

Mon. 6/26 - Thur. 6/29
Ages 7-14
Time 8am-1pm
St. Aug. Little League

\$125.



CHEER

Mon. 6/26 - Thur. 6/29
Ages 5-14
Time 9am-2pm
Crookshank Elementary

\$125.



FOOTBALL

Mon. 7/10-Thur. 7/13
Ages 7-14
Time 8am-1pm
Pomar Park

\$125.

Scan Here
To Register



2023 PAL SUMMER CAMPS



ALL
CAMPS
INCLUDE
LUNCH &
T-SHIRT

Summer Flag

Game 1 - 6/23
Game 2 - 6/30
Game 3 - 7/7
Game 4 - 7/14
Game 5 - 7/21
Tournament -
7/28-7/29

\$125.

Ages 5-18
Evals 5/30-6/1
Monday Night Practice
Friday Night Games!





SOLOMON CALHOUN SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION FOR WEST AUGUSTINE CRA RESIDENTS ONLY

**Summer Camp is \$50/7 weeks *Proof of residency is required.
(Scholarships available, call/text Dwala @ 904-669-1097)**

Summer Camp Dates & Hours

**June 5 - July 22 *Excludes 4th of July holiday
Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Registration Assistance is available at Solomon Calhoun

**Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 7th-April 11th
between 10am-12pm & 2:30pm - 4:30pm
and**

Saturdays, March 11, 25, April 1 & 15 between 9am - 12pm

DEADLINE FOR SIGNUPS: April 15th, 2023

Register Here:



Questions?

Contact Brian James at 904-209-0365
or bjames@sjcfl.us



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. <u>Note:</u> 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
OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA**



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**

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

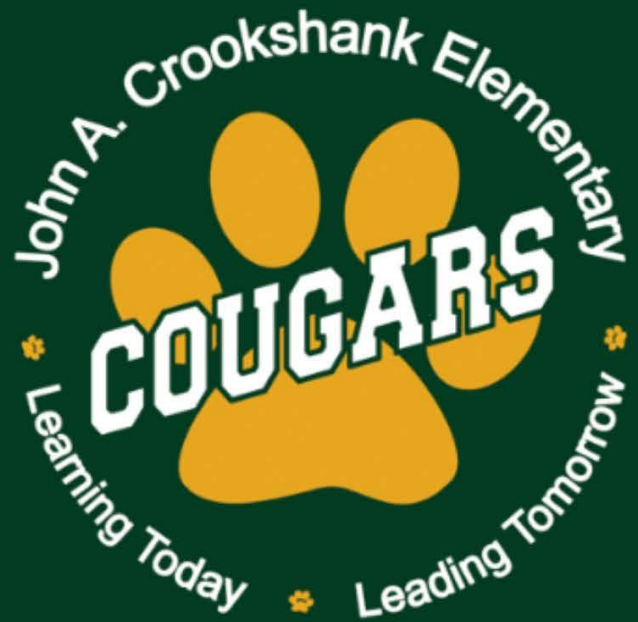
We are looking for a secretary and treasurer. Contact Rachael Miller if you are interested.

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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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