

# Cougar Growl Family Newsletter

April 8 – April 12, 2024

April Character Counts Trait – All Pillars

**Mission:** The professional learning community at John A. Crookshank Elementary School is dedicated to collaboration in developing purposeful instructional delivery models. We work together to create intentional learning opportunities that develop the whole child and provide our students with the foundational skills and growth mindset to be both academically and socially emotionally successful. We celebrate individual accomplishments, value diversity, respect exceptionalities, and partner with our families to meet the unique needs of each student.

**Vision:** To develop lifelong learners, nurturing collaborative critical thinkers.

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Early Car Rider Drop off	7:55 am
School Opens for all students:	8:00 am
School Start Time:	8:25 am
School Dismissal Time:	2:45 pm *
* Wednesday	1:45 pm

### Monday, April 8

4th Writing: Allen, Zaletel, Skanes, Smolek	
SAC Meeting	4:00 pm

### Tuesday, April 9

4th Writing: Kennelly	
Tie Tuesday	
PK Poison Presentation	
PTO Spirit Night 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Zaxby's located at 120 Harvest Ln., St Augustine, FL 32084	

### Wednesday, April 10

Early Release	1:45 pm
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### Thursday, April 11

### Friday, April 12

3rd Cougars with Character K-5	
Drop Everything And Read (DEAR)	
3rd Grade Field Trip	

### **Absence Reporting:**

<https://forms.office.com/r/12VxCbyJv9/#submit-absences>

### **Dismissal Changes:**

[cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

### **Cougar Café Lunch Menu:**

<https://schools.mealviewer.com/school/JohnCrookshankElementary>

## The Future Begins Here!

### HOT TOPICS

#### **State Testing Dates**

The final round of State testing begins April 1. Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will showcase their writing skills, 5<sup>th</sup> grade on April 4 & April 5, 4<sup>th</sup> grade on April 8 & April 9. The full testing schedule can be viewed below.

#### **2024 Solar Eclipse April 8, 2024**

From the district School Messenger- Please remember:

- Absences will be excused if parents decide to keep their child at home or request early dismissal.
- Normal dismissal procedures will be followed on April 8.

#### **DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) Day**

In recognition of Drop Everything and Read Day, on April 12, at 2:10 pm, we are asking all classrooms, all students and all adults grab a book and start reading until we prepare for dismissal.

#### **Title I Family Fitness Night**

For our final Title I event, we will be hosting a Family Fitness Night, April 16 from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm. It'll be a night of activities; relay races, skills competitions and much more for families. Please see the RSVP link

<https://forms.office.com/r/xxpmjRAn2F>

#### **Teacher of the Month Contest**

Here is an opportunity to recognize your student's teacher. 95.1 WAPE's Teacher of the Month will honor the area's BEST TEACHERS! Each month the WAPE morning show, Dex & Barbie T will name of Teacher of the Month who will receive some amazing gifts along with a plaque to display for all! Nominations can be made here: <https://www.wape.com/fp/951-wape-honors-jacksonvilles-best-teachers-with-teacher-month-award/>

**Growth Mindset:** "It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer." - Albert Einstein

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## Upcoming Events

4/15-19	Volunteer Appreciation Week
4/15	3rd Quarter Cougars with Character PK
	STAR Testing Begins
4/16	Title I Family Fitness Night 5:30 pm
4/18	Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast
4/19	No School for Teachers, Staff and Students
4/23	Interims Issued
4/26	National Pretzel Day
	Fun Run Day
4/29	Teacher Appreciation Week
4/30	1st Grade In House Zoo

## Running Reminders

**Sign in Procedure Change** In line with a district wide sign in transition, beginning Tuesday, January 16, the following steps will be taken for sign-in and sign-out at schools. The keyboards will be removed, and all activity will be completed through use of an identification card.

**Dismissal and Checkouts** Dismissal changes & Early Checkouts must be completed by 2:00 PM (M, T, TH, F) and by 1:00 PM (W). All changes should be in writing. Please send changes to [CES@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:CES@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

**Walker Drop Off** Parents and families, instead of walking up or riding a bike up the bus loop entrance, please use the sidewalks along the playground to arrive at the walker gate. It's a very unsafe mix of walking/biking and buses.

### **Parent Drop Off and Pick:**

Some friendly reminders:

1. Please remain in your vehicle when dropping off and picking up. A CES staff member will assist with your student exiting and entering the vehicle.
2. Remember, the PPU line is a hands-free zone, so help us keep kids safe AND keep the line moving by saving phone calls and texts for later."
3. Please pull up as much as you can to keep the line moving. Try to avoid large gaps in the line so we can make dismissal run smoothly for our students and staff!"

**Student Car Tags:** If your student is a car rider, please make sure to get a new 23-24 Car Tag. This applies to all returning Cougars as well. **Our staff will be looking for the new tags (yellow) and when calling students in the afternoon and releasing students to vehicles. Please keep your tag displayed until you pick your student up.** If you need a new car rider tag, they can be picked up in the front office. Make sure to have your identification.

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**Child Safety Matters:** K-5 students will participate in two Child Safety Matters Lessons during their media resource time in the upcoming months. This program is state approved and meets Florida's requirements for health education. Child Safety Matters (CSM) is a comprehensive, evidence-based curriculum for elementary school students in grades K-5. The program educates and empowers children and all relevant adults with information and strategies to prevent, recognize, and respond appropriately to bullying, cyberbullying, all types of abuse, and digital abuse dangers. The lessons will be facilitated by our school counselor, Bailey Benoit. Please reach out to [bailey.benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:bailey.benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us) with any questions.

**CES Student and Parent Handbook:** Please see the link for the CES 23-24 Student and Parent PBIS Handbook [https://sjschools-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/e016892\\_stjohns\\_k12\\_fl\\_us/Ec-RRFxqvNBNmxELeQ6SrQkBULB7vmYDXR98HjnAY3-Q\\_w?e=lrHlDe](https://sjschools-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/e016892_stjohns_k12_fl_us/Ec-RRFxqvNBNmxELeQ6SrQkBULB7vmYDXR98HjnAY3-Q_w?e=lrHlDe)

**District Student Code of Conduct:** Please see the link for the SJCS D 23-24 Student Code of Conduct <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/schoolservices/conduct/>

**Free Breakfast and Lunch:** John A. Crookshank Elementary is a site for free breakfast and lunch. Breakfast starts at 7:45 am for our Extended Day students and stops at 8:25 am. We encourage all of your students to have breakfast each morning and lunch in our café.

**Clinic News:** If you have any clinic questions, please call or email Nurse Roxane Smith at 904-547-7832 <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/health/>

**You've Been Caught ROARing!** We are starting a new PBIS positive recognition program this year called *You've Been Caught ROARing!* Students will be recognized for going above and beyond to meet the CES Guidelines for Success – **Personal Best, Act Responsible, Work Together, Show Respect**. Students who are recognized will receive a recognition slip and then become eligible to win a t-shirt and lunch with Mr. Roach and Mrs. Thomas.

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## PTO Updates

Hello, Cougar Families!

Join us for the events that we are excited to bring to Crookshank! Our main goal is to keep building the wonderful sense of community that we are so lucky to have at our school. Whether it be the excitement of planning and volunteering, to attending activities with your family, know that your participation is so appreciated and valuable. Stay tuned for all of these opportunities. Thank you for your support, and please let us know if you need anything!

### Fun Run

We're lacing up our shoes for our first ever Cougar Fun Run!!! Is it a race? It sure isn't, but it's going to be a FUN time running, dancing, skipping and jogging (with some special guests and surprises) around our bus loop on Friday, April 26th. This is also our last fundraiser of the year, so we need your help! We have lots of great prizes for our students, including a FANTASTIC mystery prize for classes with 100% participation and the top fundraisers!

Click here for registration and pledge information: <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/CESCougars>

**To register:** Scroll down to the bottom of the website and click "Add Participant" (it's in tiny blue letters). You'll receive a link for your child's page to send on to friends and family, and to post on social media! Our schoolwide goal is to raise \$10000. We have done amazing things together this year, so let's finish up COUGAR FAMILY STRONG!!!! Thank you for your support! We will need LOTS of helpers to make our Cougar Fun Run a success, so please consider joining us as a volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-48688105-funrun#/> More flyers and info about the Fun Run are below. We can't wait!

### Spirit Nights

Support Crookshank at one of our favorite places and save yourself a night of cooking! Show the flyer below when you attend! Tuesday, April 9, 2024 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Zaxby's located at 120 Harvest Ln., St Augustine, FL 32084. Mention Crookshank Elementary School when ordering and a portion of your purchase will benefit CES. Spirit Night

### Come Have Fun With Us

PTO elections will take place at our final meeting in May. If you have ever considered joining us, now is a great time! There are many ways to become more involved, some with very little time commitment! Let us know if you'd like to come have fun with us! Contact [CrookshankPTO@gmail.com](mailto:CrookshankPTO@gmail.com) See the flyer below for available positions.

### Online Store

Have you visited our online store? It has EVERYTHING from shirts, swag, birthday sign info, and business partner registration! It is so easy! <https://crookshank-pt0.cheddarup.com>

Sincerely,

Your CES PTO Board

One Team!  
One Goal!  
Success for All!



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**ZAXBY'S**

**YOU DINE  
WE DONATE**

**10% OF PROCEEDS  
WILL BE DONATED TO  
CROOKSHANK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**APRIL 9TH • 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:  
120 HARVEST LANE • ST. AUGUSTINE, FL**

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CES Families!

Our first ever **Crookshank Fun Run** is almost here! The run will take place on the front field on the morning of **Friday, April 26, 2024**. Students should come to school in comfortable clothes/shoes for running that day. They will also want to bring their **water bottle** and lots of energy!

We are hoping for this to be our biggest fundraiser of the year; proceeds support important programs and initiatives at CES and directly benefit our students. To make it all happen, we rely on the support of the CES community, staff, and families. Read on for information on how you can help make it a success!

## REGISTER!

First, you can register your student by using the QR code on the flier or visiting the link below. Scroll until you see the **"ADD PARTICIPANT"** link (it is very small, blue text, near the bottom of the page). Your student will earn a prize just for registering and can get started on their fundraising journey. While all our Cougars will participate in the run, students must be registered to start fundraising and earn prizes: <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/CESCougars>

## GATHER SUPPORT!

Once your student is registered on the **99 PLEDGES** website, you will receive an email with a link that can be shared electronically with those who may be interested in sponsoring your student's run. Students are encouraged to reach out to as many **friends and family** as possible, but please no strangers or door-to-door solicitations. Donations can be a **flat amount or per lap** (max 20 laps) and payments can be made with all major credit cards via the *99 Pledges* website. Outside of standard credit card fees and a very small transaction fee, the site does not charge us a fee for use. When entering payment information, there is an option for you to leave a "tip" for the website administrators, but this is not mandatory; simply select "Other" in the drop-down menu and enter \$0. Alternatively, donors may send in cash or checks (made out to Crookshank PTO). Cash and check donations should be clearly marked with your student's name. This will allow us to enter the donations into the fundraising site manually, so students get credit toward prizes and parties. **Donations will be accepted beginning Friday, April 12th until Wednesday, May 1st.**

Donors can be assured that their contributions will directly benefit CES. Thanks to our **amazing community** and the help of our many **volunteers**, we are able to keep expenses to a minimum. Proceeds from the 2024 Fun Run will be used to support student enrichment and to purchase classroom supplies and technology at CES.

**Shout Out Signs** (blank cardboard signs) will also be available to purchase and design to let your student know you are cheering for them on race day! Please send in the form attached to the flier along with **\$10** to the school by **Wednesday, April 17th**. All signs will be distributed on **Thursday, April 18th** and need to be returned to the school by **Thursday, April 25th**. These will not count towards their fundraising total.

## EARN PRIZES!

Prizes are awarded for meeting donation milestones. Prizes are cumulative; the more money raised; the more prizes awarded. Top fundraising class will also earn **class parties!** Top earning students will earn a special prize, **principal for the day!** Check out the attached *Prize Sheet* for more information.

## VOLUNTEER!

While the event is not open to spectators, you can cheer for our Cougars by signing up to volunteer on the day of the event. Families can find the link to our **Sign Up Genius** (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-48688105-funrun>) page with volunteer opportunities and the run schedule in the 2024 Fun Run school-wide announcement. Volunteers must be approved through School Access.

We hope we can count on your support in making the **2024 Fun Run** an amazing day for our students. If you have any questions about donations, volunteering, or anything else at all, please feel free to email us at [CrookshankPTO@gmail.com](mailto:CrookshankPTO@gmail.com) and we will get right back to you!

Many Thanks,

**Crookshank PTO**

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Crookshank PTO Presents:



# FUN RUN



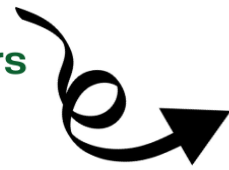
Friday, April 26, 2024

Help raise money for CES and have fun doing it! Ask FRIENDS and FAMILY to sponsor your run!

Use the QR code or the link below to REGISTER and get started!

REGISTER TODAY AND EARN YOUR FIRST PRIZE

<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/CESCougars>



Questions? Email [CrookshankPTO@gmail.com](mailto:CrookshankPTO@gmail.com)

## Shout Out Signs

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash

Check made out to Crookshank PTO

Please turn in by Wednesday, April 17, 2024 and will be distributed on Thursday, April 18th. Return the completed sign to the school on Thursday, April 25th.



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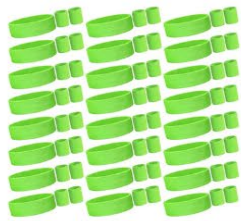
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## CES Fun Run Prize Sheet

Prizes are cumulative...the more money you raise the more prizes you receive!

Additional prizes will be awarded to CLASSROOMS with 100% REGISTRATION, TOP FUNDRAISING CLASSROOM, and TOP 3 SCHOOL-WIDE FUNDRAISING LEADERS!!

### REGISTRATION



GREEN SWEAT BANDS

### FIRST DONATION



PAW BRACELETS

### \$3 PER LAP OR \$20 TOTAL



MULTICOLOR PEN

### \$5 PER LAP OR \$50 TOTAL



GALAXY SLIME

### \$10 PER LAP OR \$100 TOTAL



CRAZY LACES

### \$20 PER LAP OR \$150 TOTAL



PUFFER BALL

### \$25 PER LAP OR \$200 TOTAL



BASKETBALL



### \$30 PER LAP OR \$250 TOTAL

MYSTERY PRIZE!!!!





# CROOKSHANK PTO



## IS LOOKING FOR LEADERS!

This year has been filled with fun events for our families, successful fundraisers and improvements in our classrooms as well as around campus. To continue this progress, we need YOU! Several of our board and committee chairs are “graduating” from Crookshank, and we need more helpers so that we can continue to offer the events and activities that we have all enjoyed. We’d love some new ideas and fresh faces to join our fun, drama free group!

### THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS NEED TO BE FILLED FOR THE 2024-2024 SCHOOL YEAR:

#### POSITION:

President in Training

Vice President

Treasurer in Training

Events Planner Chair

Fundraising Chair

Spirit Night Chair

#### DESCRIPTION:

A supervisor role who “GETS THINGS DONE!” Responsible for running and managing all aspects of the PTO and holding meetings.

A crucial assistant to the PTO President. Handles all tasks and assists with all things PTO.

Handles all banking and finances. Ensures books are kept up and the budget is in check

Plans 3-4 events per year.

Plans approximately 3-4 fundraisers.

Plans 1 per month with local restaurants and/or establishments.

**If interested please email us at [crookshankpto@gmail.com](mailto:crookshankpto@gmail.com) no later than Monday, May 6, 2024. Voting will take place at the PTO meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024**

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1455 N. Whitney Street  
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(904) 547-7840

<http://www.ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us>

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the computer-based **Grade 4 and 5** Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Writing assessment on **April 4<sup>th</sup>, April 5<sup>th</sup>, April 8<sup>th</sup>, & April 9<sup>th</sup>**. The B.E.S.T. Writing assessment is administered in one 120-minute session, and students may work up to half of a typical school day.

4/4 –5th Writing: Acs, Miller, Brown, Sarracino

4/8- 4<sup>th</sup> Writing: Allen, Zaletel, Skanes, Smolek

4/5 –5th Writing: Fernandez

4/9- 4<sup>th</sup> Writing: Kennelly

If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at <https://fsassessments.org/families.html>

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.
- **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 a checkbox beside the statement 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 the passages, prompts, and writing responses) 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. In addition, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Student tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.

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- **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment), he or she **will not** be allowed to return to that test session. 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** at [Joelle.Johnson@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Joelle.Johnson@stjohns.k12.fl.us) For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](http://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

**PAWS UP!**

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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 for 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. 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. 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.

4/15 – **1st Grade Reading:** Richardson, Simcoe, Ahr, Rodriguez    **2nd Grade Reading:** Moore, Frazer, Baker, Kamm  
4/16 – **K Reading:** Ramirez, McQuaig, Dingler, Taylor                    **2nd Grade Math:** Moore, Frazer, Baker, Kamm  
4/17 – **K Reading:** Ahr    **1st Reading:** White    **2nd Reading:** Watts  
4/18 – **1st Math:** Richardson, Simcoe, Ahr, Rodriguez  
4/22 – **K Math:** Ramirez, McQuaig, Dingler Taylor  
4/24 – **K Math:** Ahr                    **1st Math:** White                    **2nd Math:** Watts  
4/23-4/30 –    Make Ups

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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 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 – **3rd Reading**: McVay, Keating, Matthiesen, Simpson, Bikowski, Coriell

5/2 – **3rd Math**: McVay, Keating, Matthiesen, Simpson, Bikowski, Coriell

5/6 – **5th Reading**: Miller, Acs, Brown, Sarracino, Fernandez

5/7 – **5th Math**: Miller, Acs, Brown, Sarracino, Fernandez

5/13 – **4th Reading**: Kennelly, Skanes, Smolek

5/14 – **4th Math**: Kennelly, Skanes, Smolek

5/16 – **4th Reading**: Allen, Zaletel

5/17 – **4th Math**: Allen, Zaletel

**\*\*Make Up Dates**: 5/3, 5/8, 5/10, 5/15, 5/20, 5/21, 5/22, 5/23, 5/24

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\* **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.

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\* **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:

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For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](http://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

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1455 N. Whitney Street  
Saint Augustine, FL 32084  
(904) 547-7840

<http://www.ces.stjohns.k12.fl.us>

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the computer-based **Grade 5 Statewide Science Assessment** on **Thursday, April 9th**. Statewide Science assessments are each administered in one 160-minute session, but students may work up to the length of a typical school day.

If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at <https://fsassessments.org/families.html>.

**Science Make Up Dates:** 5/10, 5/15, 5/20, 5/21, 5/22, 5/23, 5/24

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

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\* **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. In addition, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Student tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.

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## PTO Business Partners

Dear Crookshank Parents and Guardians,

We are looking for local businesses to support activities throughout the year at John A. Crookshank Elementary School and welcome the extended school community of parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and guardians to help us identify local or national businesses that might be interested in partnering with the school. Below are some areas where business partner contributions make a huge difference at Crookshank!

### Fun school events and resources including:

- Holiday and other celebrations to bring our families together
- Learning and positive behavior incentives to encourage our kiddos
- Teacher Appreciation events

### Funding for other critical items, such as:

- Technology and software to enhance curriculum
- Providing classroom aids in the form of supplies or learning resources
- Field Studies and other programs that will impact our students
- Teacher/student supplies to restock classrooms when the supplies run out

### Partnership Levels

#### PRINCIPAL'S PARTNER \$1,000

- Sponsor name & logo promoted via school newsletters, social media, and PTO website
- Featured on Electronic Marquee/ School sign
- Business banner displayed on CES fence for the school year (banner provided by business)
- Opportunity to distribute promotional material at school events
- Featured at Open House Events

#### COUGAR PARTNER \$500

- Sponsor name & logo promoted via school newsletters, social media, and PTO website
- Business banner displayed on CES fence for the school year (banner provided by business)
- Opportunity to distribute promotional material at school events

#### CUB PARTNER \$250

- Sponsor name & logo promoted via school newsletters and social media
- PTO Website

#### PAW PARTNER \$100

- Sponsor name & logo promoted via school newsletters and social media

If you are an individual or business owner interested in participating, or know of a business that might be interested, please email [crookshankPTOpartners@gmail.com](mailto:crookshankPTOpartners@gmail.com) Business partners can also sign up and make a donation directly at our online store <http://crookshank-ptu.cheddarup.com>. With your support, we can achieve great things!

Warmest Regards,

Frani Heilman and Annie Oxarart  
Community Engagement Coordinators



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### PLAY

BASKETBALL  
FOOTBALL  
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SOCCER  
BASEBALL  
TRACK + FIELD  
CAPTURE THE FLAG  
DODGEBALL

AND MORE!!

### LEARN

NUTRITION  
SELF-CONFIDENCE  
TEAMWORK  
MOTOR SKILLS  
CONDITIONING

### PERFORM

SPEED  
AGILITY  
FLEXIBILITY  
STRENGTH  
COORDINATION

### CLASS OVERVIEW

Warm-Up  
Moving-  
Stretching



Cool Down  
Relax + Stretch  
Nutrition  
Motivation



## CLASS DETAILS:

Our weekly classes include a variety of:

- Character Conversations
- Muscle Identification/Work
- Team & Partner Activities
- Fitness Challenges
- Sport-Specific Skills Activities
- Supervised-Sports Game Play

2023/2024 at Crookshank Elementary

Thursdays 3:00-4:00 Oct 5-May 16

**FREE** Registration, \$15.00/class (paid monthly)

**SPOTS STILL OPEN, Don't miss out! Sign up today!!**

**Click [HERE](#) or Scan to Enroll**

**Contact us about a staff or sibling discount**

Minimum registrations required to start class



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



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## Enrichment Classes

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### Fast Facts About Our Islands

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

Each Island has its own unique cross-curricular theme and features a map and passport.

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.



## 2023-2024 Schedule

Crookshank Elementary

TUESDAYS 3:00-4:00pm

Fall Session: 9/5 – 12/5

Spring Session: 1/16 – 4/30

Cost:

You can attend our program for the 2023-2024 school year at no charge!

REGISTER AT:

[www.challenge-island.com/firstcoast](http://www.challenge-island.com/firstcoast)



Questions?

Inquire at [firstcoast@challenge-island.com](mailto:firstcoast@challenge-island.com)

Call us at: 904-447-9547



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Go to the EBT booth at a participating market before you shop.

Va a la caseta de SNAP al mercado participante antes de comprar.

Swipe Your SNAP card and receive matching dollars to buy Florida-grown fresh fruits & veggies.

\*match limits may apply ask manager for details

Pase su tarjeta SNAP y reciba dólares equivalentes para comprar frutas y verduras frescas cultivadas en la Florida.

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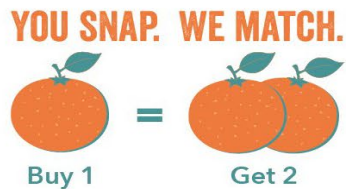
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## Suspicious Activity Reporting App

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.

Submit A  
Tip Online

Download On The  
App Store

Get It On  
Google Play



### Important Notice

Florida Statute 943.082 states that if, following an investigation, it is determined that a person knowingly submitted a false tip through FortifyFL, the Internet protocol (IP) address of the device on which the tip was submitted will be provided to law enforcement agencies for further investigation, and the reporting party may be subject to criminal penalties under s. 837.05. In all other circumstances, unless the reporting party has chosen to disclose his or her identity, the report will remain anonymous.

