

# Cougar Growl Family Newsletter

December 2 – December 6, 2024

December 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.

## **Volume 2: Issue 16**

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 (No ER Nov 13 – Feb 5)

## **Monday, December 2**

PM 2 Testing Window Opens – See letters below

## **Tuesday, December 3**

Zaxbys Spirit Night – Flyer below

## **Wednesday, December 4**

Full School Day - Dismissal 2:45 pm

## **Thursday, December 5**

Club and Fall Retakes

## **Friday, December 6**

### **Absence Reporting:**

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

### **Early Checkout/Dismissal Changes:**

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

### **Cougar Café Lunch Menu:**

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

### **Growth Mindset:**

**"Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know that there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle."** - Christian D. Larson

## **The Future Begins Here!**

### **HOT TOPICS**

#### **Welcome Back Cougars!**

We hope you all had a restful, wonderful and memory making Thanksgiving Holiday week. We are happy to welcome back our little Cougars. December is a busy month starting with PM2 testing and wrapping up with a Circus. Let's enjoy and let's get to work.

#### **Weekend and Holiday Food Bags**

Crookshank offers weekend food bags for students through Blessing in a Backpack. To request weekend food assistance for your student, please email [Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

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## **Running Reminders**

### **Car Rider - Parent Drop Off /Pick Up**

Some friendly reminders:

1. Please remain in your vehicle when dropping off and picking up. A CES staff member or safety patrol 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 arrival and dismissal run smoothly for our students and staff.

### **Access to CES**

All adults must be registered volunteers to enter the school building during school hours. You must complete the district's Volunteer Application if you wish to volunteer in a classroom, participate in any class activities, chaperone/attend a field study, eat lunch with your student, participate in a parent conference, or attend any performance or event during school hours.

Please follow the link on the John A. Crookshank website or St. Johns County School District websites to apply. <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/> Once registered as a volunteer, all visitors will sign in at the front desk and present a valid state identification to receive a Volunteer Badge that must be worn in while in the building.

### **Sign in Procedure**

In line with a district wide sign in policy, all visitors requesting to enter the building will need to sign and provide an identification card. Thank you for following this safety measure.

### **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\\_transportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:CES_transportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

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### **Receive the Cougar Growl**

If you know someone who does not receive our Cougar Growl, please share this link with them.

<https://forms.office.com/r/3348QSS14Z>

### **Gently Used Clothes Needed In Clinic**

The clinic is in need of gently used clothes, specifically boys shorts and pants. Please stop by the front office. Thank you!

### **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/>

### **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.

### **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.

### **Varsity Tutors**

Free online resource through Clever.

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### **Home Access Center**

The Home Access Center (HAC) is a web-based application that is part of our Student Information System called eSchoolPlus. Please visit the website below to access or sign up for an account at <https://homeaccess.stjohns.k12.fl.us> This system provides parents and students with a daily summary page, schedule and attendance, discipline information, class work, report cards, test scores, and course requests for all students in grades 3-5. If you need assistance with your account, please contact our Computer Operator, Lisa Cogar at 904-547-7846.

### **Resiliency Florida**

In partnership with Resiliency Florida, we will explore CHARACTER COUNTS! pillar characteristic(s) each month. Attached to the School Messenger email are the Parent Resources for Self-Awareness and Self-Management for September. Moving forward, I will send the parent resources to you monthly.

<https://www.buildresiliency.org/>

## Upcoming Events

12/9-13	Holiday Shop
12/13	Class Group Pictures 7:30 pm – 2:45 pm
12/16	Title 1 Holiday Family Night 5:30 pm
12/17	Tie Tuesday
12/19	Venardo's Circus Show 8:45 am-9:15 am 9:30am - 10:00am
12/20	Duct Tape Day PBIS Store

## Positive Behavior Support

### **PBIS Rewards App**

PBIS Rewards has a Family App that will give you some insight into how your child is doing with respect to our PBIS program. The Family App will run on most smart devices, including smartphones and tablets. You can find it in the iPhone/iPad App Store, Google Play, and the Amazon App Store. Just search for "PBIS Rewards Family."

Once you have installed the app, you will have to confirm your relationship to your student by certifying that you are a parent or guardian. Once you have done this you will be able to see your student's progress with PBIS Rewards.

You can add more than one student to the app, even if they go to different schools, as long as the school is using PBIS Rewards. We encourage you to talk with your student about what they must do to be successful with PBIS Rewards and to encourage them when you see them being successful.

### **PBIS Stores Dates**

11/22	12/20	3/28
1/24	2/13	3/7
4/17	5/9	5/28

### **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, Mrs. Torrente and Mrs. McMahon.

### **CES Student and Parent Handbook**

Please see the link for the CES 24-25 Student and Parent PBIS Handbook: [CES Student and Parent Handbook 24-25.pdf](#)

### **District Student Code of Conduct**

Please see the link for the SJCS 24-25 Student Code of Conduct

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/schoolservices/conduct/>

### **Bullying Education**

If the opportunity presents itself to have a conversation with your child, please feel free to use the following link

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/sdfs/parent/>

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1455 N. Whitney Street  
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(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 second administration (PM2) of the **Grade [3/4/5/] Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) ELA Reading [and Mathematics] assessment[s]**. Your student's results from PM1 are for informational purposes only, and you will be provided 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 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 ELA Reading [and Mathematics] sample items at home, sample test materials are available at <https://fifast.org/families.html>.

12/5 – **3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**: Bikowski, Coriell, Keating, Matthiesen, McVay, H. White

12/6 – **3<sup>rd</sup> Math**: Bikowski, Coriell, Keating, Matthiesen, McVay, H. White

12/9 – **5<sup>th</sup> Reading**: Acs, Daniel, Miller, Whitaker, Johnson/TBA

12/11 – **5<sup>th</sup> Math**: Acs, Daniel, Miller, Whitaker, Johnson/TBA

12/12 – **4<sup>th</sup> Reading**: Allen, Kennelly, Skanes, Smolek, Zaletel

12/13 – **4<sup>th</sup> Math**: Allen, Kennelly, Skanes, Smolek, Zaletel

**Make Up Dates:** 12/16, 12/17, 12/18, 12/19, 12/20, 1/7, 1/8, 1/9, 1/10, 1/13, 1/14, 1/15, 1/16, 1/17, 1/22, 1/23, 1/24

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- **Electronic Devices**—Students are not permitted to access any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom). If your student is found with an electronic device or is found using Bluetooth/wireless headphones/earbuds during testing, his or her test may 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 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.

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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.
- **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 any 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](mailto:Joelle.Johnson@stjohns.k12.fl.us) (3rd-5th)

Adriana Orta – [Adriana.Orta@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Adriana.Orta@stjohns.k12.fl.us) (K-2<sup>nd</sup>)

Bailey Benoit – [Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Bailey.Benoit@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

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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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://ffast.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 - 1<sup>st</sup>**: Lindsey, Mukherjee, McNeill, Simcoe      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Kamm, Watts, Sarracino, Moore, Baker  
12/6 – **Math – 1<sup>st</sup>**: Lindsey, Mukherjee, McNeill, Simcoe      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Kamm, Watts, Sarracino, Moore, Baker  
12/12 – **Reading – 1<sup>st</sup>**: Rodriguez, White  
12/13 – **Math – 1<sup>st</sup>**: Rodriguez, White  
1/8 – **Reading – K**: Ramirez/Ham  
1/9 – **Reading – K**: McQuaig, Tredik  
1/10 – **Math – K**: McQuaig, Tredik  
1/15 – **Math – K**: Ramirez/Ham  
1/16 – **Reading – K**: Dinger, Heffernan, Frazer  
1/17 – **Math – K**: Dinger, Heffernan, Frazer  
1/20 – 1/24 **Make Ups**

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Adriana Orta at [Adriana.Orta@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Adriana.Orta@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*

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St. Johns County  
School District



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## Welcome from your Crookshank PTO!

### Come Have Fun With Us

We are looking for someone to plan a Talent Show for our Cougars! We will help you with resources and volunteers, we just need your creativity and coordination! Email [CrookshankPTO@gmail.com](mailto:CrookshankPTO@gmail.com) if you are ready for this fun opportunity!

### Holiday Shop (See Flyer Below)

Our elves are busy getting ready for Crookshank's annual Holiday Shop! From December 9th through 13th, our cougars will love shopping for holiday gifts for their family and friends. Gift wrapping is included, and all items are between \$1 and \$5. Stay tuned for the flyer coming home soon! We will need lots of extra elves to help us- sign up as a volunteer!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-50513085-volunteer>

### Spirit Night

Our next Spirit Night will be Tuesday, December 3rd from 5-8 at Zaxby's on SR16. One of our favorites! Show the flyer and support Crookshank!

### Turkey Trot Recap

WAY TO GO, Cougars! We raised over \$8000 for our school with your help, and we had A LOT of fun! Thank you also to our volunteers- we could not have done it without you! Special thanks to Ima Turkey, who gobbled her way around school delivering prizes and smiles these past few weeks.

### BJ's Wholesale & Crookshank Partnership

A new BJ's Wholesale Club is opening in our county, and they are offering a special discount membership to new members from our school! Click here to sign up or see the flyers below- every new membership earns \$10 for our school! <http://www.bjs.com/crookshankelem>

### Volunteer With Us!

New to the signup: Holiday Shop Helpers! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-50513085-volunteer> Remember to complete the School Access Form to be approved as a volunteer:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>

### PTO Meetings

Our next PTO/SAC meeting is on Monday, January 13 at 5:30pm in the Media Center. Come hear what's going on around school!

### Birthday Sign

Give your kiddo a birthday shoutout on our brand new electronic sign for only \$10! Make sure you order no later than the Wednesday before their birthday week- <https://crookshank-ptو.cheddarup.com/>

### Online Store

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

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### Box Tops

Remember cutting out Box Tops when we were kids? Now it is virtual! Download the app and use code QPU606JL and start snapping those receipts- each one adds up to a donation for Crookshank!

### Need to Reach Us or Keep Up?

Here are the best ways:

- \*Check out our section in the weekly CES newsletter sent by Mr. Roach
- \*Read emails and texts sent home highlighting PTO happenings!
- \*Check out Class Dojo posts
- \*Follow us on Facebook and Instagram
- \*Look at the PTO website: <https://sites.google.com/view/crookshankpto/home>

**Thank you for all of your support!**

**Your CES PTO Board**



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Crookshank PTO Presents

## Holiday Shop



MONDAY, DECEMBER 9TH TO  
FRIDAY DECEMBER 13TH

Gifts for all family members, even pets!



**Want to volunteer? Sign up here!**

Questions? Email us at  
[crookshankpto@gmail.com](mailto:crookshankpto@gmail.com)



Your child's teacher has signed up for a time to shop with our elves either Monday or Tuesday. Students who do not have their money on those days will be able to shop on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday (or until we run out of inventory)!

**Please send money in an envelope or baggie!**

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## ZAXBYS



# FOR A *GOOD CHICKEN* *GOOD CAUSE*

10% OF PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO  
CROOKSHANK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

DECEMBER 3RD · 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:

120 Harvest Lane · Saint Augustine, FL



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Join today  
for only

\$20\*

REG.  
\$55



The Club Card Membership for 1 year with BJ's Easy Renewal®  
New members only.

To join or renew today, call 800-313-8887

and reference group promo code:

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Membership  
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Renewal®



The Club+ Card  
Membership  
with BJ's Easy  
Renewal®

The Club+ Card members receive 5¢ off/gal.† at BJ's Gas® every day and earn 2% back† in rewards†† on most BJ's purchases.

**New members The Club+ Card Membership: \$60\***  
when you purchase a 1-year The Club+ Card Membership.

**Existing members:**

Renew The Club Card Membership for \$50†

Renew The Club+ Card Membership for \$100†

**New members: \$10 will go to your organization. Renewing members: \$5 will go to your organization.**

BJ's Membership Sales Representative: **Kim Sbrogna.**

**CROOKSHANK ELEMENTARY**

Email: [Questions\\_email\\_ksbrogna@bjs.com](mailto:Questions_email_ksbrogna@bjs.com)

Offer expires: **DECEMBER 13, 2024**



**New  
Members  
can sign up  
online.**

**You acknowledge BJ's membership terms are available in-club and on [BJ's.com/terms](https://www.bjs.com/terms) and agree your membership is subject to those terms.** You agree to receive electronically any disclosures, agreements, communications, and notices from BJ's and to maintain accurate contact information with BJ's.

Your membership expires on the last day of the month and year shown on your register receipts and on your "My Account" page on [Bj's.com](https://www.bjs.com). Memberships renewed within two months after expiration will be extended 12 months from the expiration date. Memberships renewed more than two months after expiration will be extended for 12 months from the last day of the month of renewal, provided that BJ's reserves the right to require you to enroll in a new membership in lieu of renewing your expired membership.

Offer is not valid in-club or online, may not be combined with other offers, not redeemable for cash and cannot be sold. Plus sales tax where applicable. Offer is contingent upon your enrolling in BJ's Easy Renewal, and you authorize BJ's to charge any payment method BJ's has on record for your membership, an annual recurring charge in the amount of the then-current membership fee for all memberships on your account, plus sales tax if applicable, starting the first day of the month your membership renews, without further notice except as required by law. Your authorization is void until you cancel your participation in the BJ's Easy Renewal program. In order to renew at the Corporate Partnership Program discussed membership offer, you must renew via your Membership Sales Representative. For full BJ's Easy Renewal terms, visit [BJ's.com/terms](https://www.bjs.com/terms). To manage your participation in BJ's Easy Renewal, visit "My Account" on [Bj's.com](https://www.bjs.com), visit the member services desk in-club, or call BJ's Member Care at 800-313-8888. Expires: 12/13/24.

The Club+ Card members earn 2% back in rewards on eligible purchases of goods and services in-club at BJ's first-end register, on [Bj's.com](https://www.bjs.com), or in the BJ's app (minus any inherent rewards, returns, refunds, or credit adjustments) when they scan their membership card for these purchases, unless the primary member or the member making the purchase is a cardholder in the BJ's One® Mastercard® program, in which case the member will only earn rewards in accordance with the BJ's One® Mastercard® program rewards terms (see [BJ's.com/onecard](https://www.bjs.com/onecard)). Rewards earned may not exceed \$300 in any 12-month period.

Eligible purchases exclude eye exams, shipping, sales tax, bottle deposits, alcoholic beverages, cigarettes and tobacco-related products, lottery tickets, gift cards, propane, BJ's Gas, online optical purchases, membership fees and add-ons, warranties and protection plans, BJ's services provided by third parties (e.g., BJ's Toner®), and BJ's K&B and BJ's Global Sales transactions. See [BJ's.com/terms](https://www.bjs.com/terms) for information on excluded services. Eye exam card online optical purchases are not eligible for reward redemption.

†Rewards are yours for the life of your The Club+ Card Membership – they will not expire while your membership remains active and in good standing. Rewards earned may not exceed \$300 in any 12-month period. Must have a minimum balance of \$10 in rewards to redeem. Minimum eligible purchase amount is \$10 at BJ's checkout.

†The Club+ Card members receive an instant discount of 5¢ off each gallon of fuel purchased at BJ's Gas when they scan their membership card for these purchases, unless the primary member or the member making the purchase is a cardholder in the BJ's One® Mastercard® program, in which case the member will only receive an instant discount at BJ's Gas in accordance with the BJ's One® Mastercard® program rewards terms (see [BJ's.com/onecard](https://www.bjs.com/onecard)). BJ's Gas purchases are not eligible purchases and do not earn rewards. For MD and NJ transactions, discounts will be applied after sale, before payment. Subject to applicable state law restrictions.

The rewards program is provided by BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. and its terms may change at any time. For full rewards terms and conditions, please see [BJ's.com/terms](https://www.bjs.com/terms).

††20 item per transaction limit. Only available for purchases up to \$750. Paper coupons not available. Cannot be used to purchase gift cards, alcohol, cigarettes, propane, appliances, fireworks, security-protected items or tires.

†††Same-Day Delivery is not available in all ZIP codes. Log in to your account to confirm availability.

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\$10 FROM EACH NEW ENROLLMENT GOES TO  
CROOKSHANK ELEMENTARY

Offer Expires 12/13/2024



SUPPORTING



CROOKSHANK  
ELEMENTARY



GET YOUR BJ's  
Membership Card

The NEW MEMBER Offer:

**Only \$20**

*12 months for the Club Card. (Regularly \$55)*

<http://www.bjs.com/crookshankelem>

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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!

Can you recommend businesses (including your own!) that can donate resources or products or provide a sponsorship to directly support our activities?

- Several partnership levels are available, all of which entitle your business to receive recognition.
- All donated goods and services valued at each partner level will receive the same benefits.
- Crookshank PTO is a 501(c)(3); all donations are tax deductible.

### 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,

Annie Oxarart and Lynne Sykes, Community Engagement Coordinators



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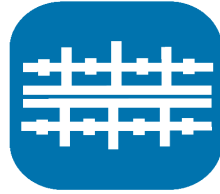


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Our after-school program teaches fundamentals for Baseball and Softball in a safe, fun, and inclusive atmosphere. Grades K - 5 can register at [BackyardRule.com](http://BackyardRule.com) or email [nate@backyardrule.com](mailto:nate@backyardrule.com)

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My name is Coach Nate Fudala and I am so happy to offer to you our Backyard Rule After-School Program, where we teach the fundamental skills for Baseball and Softball in a safe, fun, and inclusive atmosphere! Class will be on Tuesdays from 3:00 pm- 4:30 pm located on school property. Registration is open to boys and girls grades K- 5. We provide all bats and balls, so students do not need to bring any gloves, bats, or other equipment of their own. All of our playing materials are soft and safety is our first priority. This class serves as an excellent introduction to the game and is also challenging and skill sharpening for more experienced players. You can find registration and additional information at the link below, or email me at [nate@backyardrule.com](mailto:nate@backyardrule.com) anytime! PS, if you use the promo code: CSQ2 at checkout it will reduce the 8-week registration fee to half off, which accounts for the 4 remaining weeks of the semester.

<https://backyardrule.com/registernow/after-school-quarter>

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