February Character Counts Trait - Caring

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 (No ER Nov 13 – Feb 5)

Monday, February 3

CES Book Fair Valentine's Day Grams On Sale School Counselor Week

Tuesday, February 4

CES Book Fair Valentine's Day Grams On Sale School Counselor Week

Wednesday, February 5

CES Book Fair

Valentine's Day Grams On Sale

School Counselor Week

Big Smiles

Full School Day - Dismissal 2:45 pm

February 12 is our next Early Release

<u>Thursday, February 6</u>

CES Book Fair Valentine's Day Grams On Sale PTO Souper Bowl School Counselor Week

<u>Friday, February 7</u>

CES Book Fair Valentine's Day Grams On Sale School Counselor Week PM2 Success Celebration

Growth Mindset: "You must do the thing you think you cannot do." —

Eleanor Roosevelt

The Future Begins Here!

HOT TOPICS

Family Literacy Night-Reschedule

PTO-INK! Family Literacy Night: Bingo for Books, has been rescheduled for **February 27** at 5:30 pm. It'll be a night of family fun, starting with dinner. We need at least 25 families before the deadline. Come join us for a night of family fun.

Kid's Heart Challenge

Crookshank Elementary School families, we kicked off our Kids Heart Challenge adventure on 1/22/2025. Please register your student at www.heart.org/schools or, search for Kids Heart Challenge in your app store. Your student will earn a free, Heart wristband for registering!

2024-2025 Stakeholder Surveys

Stakeholder surveys are a critical tool used to gather feedback from stakeholders, including parents, teachers, and students, to assess the effectiveness of federally funded programs like Title I, II, and IV. These surveys help ensure compliance with federal requirements, inform program improvements, and guide funding decisions to better support student success and equity. Please use this link to access each survey. https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/federal/programs/2024-2025-stakeholder-surveys/

Slides & Crocs Alert

Parents and students, just a reminder that slides are not supposed to be worn at school. All shoes must have backs or a strap. Which leads to Crocs, if students wear Crocs, they need to wear the strap around their heel. Thank you for your attention to this.

Absence Reporting:

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

Early Checkout/Dismissal Changes:

cestransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Cougar Café Lunch Menu:

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

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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

Running Reminders

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/https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/health/illness/

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 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.

Family Portal Access to STAR & Cambium

The Family Portal can be used to access your student's results for FAST STAR & Cambium. https://fl-familyportal.cambiumast.com

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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

2/10-11	Valentine Grams On Sale
2/13	Wear Read, White and/or Pink PBIS Store
2/14	Inservice Day- No School for Students
2/17	Presidents' Day - No School
2/18	Tie Tuesday No Smiles
2/19	No Smiles
2/20	PTO Magician Night 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
2/27	Literacy Night Bingo for Books 5:30 pm
2/28	Dress Like a Super Hero : Superman's Birthday

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 SICSD 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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ATTENTION PARENTS:

Recognize Your Student in the JOHN A. CROOKSHANK ELEMENTARY 2025 Yearbook!

Don't miss out on the chance to design your child's page in the yearbook!

This page is dedicated to you, your family and your child's accomplishments and memories.

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Ad Submission Deadline 2/14/2025

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Welcome from your Crookshank PTO!

Join the Team

WE NEED YOU!

Several members of our PTO Board are graduating to middle school next year, and we are looking for new leaders! If you would like to be more involved at Crookshank and part of the fun that we have as a group, please consider joining the PTO Board! We are a no drama, team oriented group- everyone does their part! The board consists of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Events Chair, and Community Partner Coordinator. Don't be afraid to dive in- we are a well-supported PTO in all aspects and all we need are a few good folks to continue the fun and good work that we have been doing! Reach out to us at CrookshankPTO@gmail.com if you are interested!

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 <u>CrookshankPTO@gmail.com</u> if you are ready for this fun opportunity!

Spirit Night

Two nights to add to your calendar! Save yourself a night of cooking and support Crookshank by joining our February and March Spirit Nights!

Tuesday, **February 18th**, all day- both Marco's Pizza locations **(see flyer below)** Tuesday, **March 25th** 5 pm-9pm- Chipotle

Volunteer With Us!

We need more soup! Souper Bowl donations and Family Magician Show volunteer opportunities! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-50513085-volunteer#/

Valentine Grams

Valentine Grams are here! Every morning from **February 3rd-11th**, we will be in the main hall selling Valentine Grams for your kiddos to send to friends, teachers, staff members, or you can send one to your kiddo! They are only \$1 apiece and will be delivered to classrooms on February 13th. (see flyer below)

Souper Bowl

On **February 6th**, we will host the "Souper Bowl" as a treat for our faculty and staff. We need your help! Donate your favorite soup, stew, chili, or other items we will need for the day, make a monetary donation, or sign up to volunteer here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA5A62AAAF5C61-50513085-volunteer#/

The Magician is BACK!

Did you miss the performance by comedian/magician Mark Alan in August? We are excited to announce that he is coming BACK to Crookshank on **February 20th** for a family show, and you are invited! Come enjoy an evening of magic, laughs, and pizza at no cost- it's our way of saying, "thank you" for the support you've shown our school this year! Seats are limited, and you must RSVP here in order to attend: https://crookshank-pto.cheddarup.com

PTO Meetings

Our next PTO/SAC Meeting will be on March 10th. Join us in the Media Center or on Zoom (link to come).

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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-pto.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-pto.cheddarup.com Free classroom delivery!

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 from the PTO Board

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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

Crookshank PTO

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 Business partners can also sign up and make a donation directly at our online store http://crookshank-pto.cheddarup.com. With your support, we can achieve great things!

Warmest Regards,

Annie Oxarart and Lynne Sykes, Community Engagement Coordinators



(904) 547-7840

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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 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR:

POSITION:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Community Engagement

Events Planner Chair

Fundraising 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 extra tasks and assists with all things PTO.
- Maintains all records of the PTO, takes minutes at meetings, maintains events records, and updates website.
- Handles all banking and finances. Ensures books are kept up and the budget is in check
- Publicize school needs by soliciting donations and Business Sponsors.
- Plans 3-4 events per year. Works closely with the Fundraising Chair.
- Plans approximately 3-4 fundraisers. Works closely with the Events Chair.

If interested, please email us at crookshankpto@gmail.com no later then Monday, April 28, 2025. Voting will take place at the PTO meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025.

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February Spirit Night

Come out to
Marco's Pizza and
support your
Crookshank
Elementary
School Cougars!



**Be sure to mention Crookshank when placing orders in person or over the phone.
Online orders be sure to use code COUGARS

PIZZA

February 18^{th,} 2025

11:00 AM-11:00 PM



Locations:

Mission Trace-

965 FL-16 Suite 101 St. Augustine, FL 32084

OR

Treaty Oaks-

230 Plaza Blvd Suite 6 St. Augustine, FL 32086

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Valentine's Grams

SEND TO YOUR STUDENT, CLASSMATES, FRIENDS OR TEACHERS!

Bring the lower portion of this flyer completed to the PTO table in the MAIN HALLWAY each morning from 8:00 AM to 8:25 AM from Monday, FEBRUARY 3rd to TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 2025. They will be delivered to classrooms on Thursday, February 13, 2025.



To:	To:	
Teacher/Grade:	Teacher/Grade:	
From:	 From:	

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When? Thursday February 20, 2025 5:30 - 7:00 PM (doors open at 5:30 pm then show will be from 6-7pm)

Cost? FREE (includes admission, a beverage and pizza).

Please RSVP by Tuesday February 18, 2025 (or once all spaces are filled) via Cheddar Up or by scanning the OR Code.

LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE!!!



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Ancient City Soccer Club

present their

After-School Project

2nd-5th Grade Students are invited to join our experienced soccer coaches for a fun filled 75-minute practice at

Crookshank on Wednesdays.

Our aim is to introduce your child to the fundamentals of the sport of soccer whilst building upon character development, physical literacy, and teamwork skills.

Join us straight after school on Wednesday, 3pm – 4:15pm (until Feb 5th and then 2pm-3.15pm thereafter).

Session Runs: Wednesday, 29th January- Wednesday, May 14th

Tournament at Gamble Rogers MS: Friday, May 16th

Cost: \$150 (No session on 19th March; Spring break)

REGISTER: Go to www.ancientcitysoccer.com

Click on "register now" and select ACS Afterschool Program as the season

Contact: Andy Carey at schools@ancientcitysoccer.com

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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 or email nate@backyardrule.com

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BackyardRule.com

Hello Crookshank Elementary!

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 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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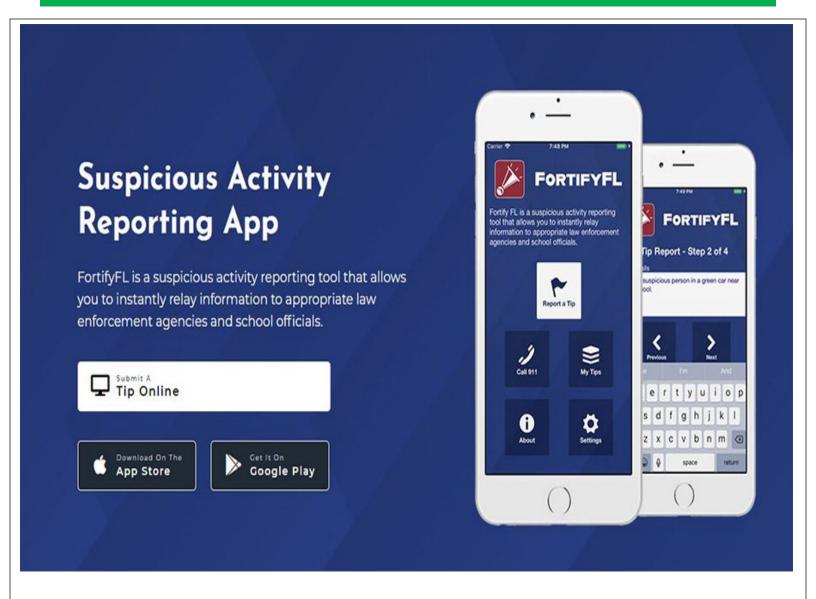
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Dreaming up adventures. Making the whole world sparkle with your own personal brand of magic.

Every other Thursday
3:00-4:00, K-5 Welcome
Contact Lauren Rowland
Lrowland@gsgateway.org
if you have any
questions!

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