

# Cougar Growl Family Newsletter

March 31 – April 4, 2025

March Character Counts Trait – Trustworthiness

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.

## **Volume 2: Issue 30**

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 – **Reminder below**

## **Monday, March 31**

### **Tuesday, April 1**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST Writing Assessment – Full Schedule  
Below

### **Wednesday, April 2**

\*\*\*Early Release\*\*\* 1:45 pm

PTO Buddy a Thon Stuffing Day

### **Thursday, April 3**

School Librarian Day  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST Writing Assessment – Full Schedule  
Below

### **Friday, April 4**

### **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>

## **The Future Begins Here!**

### **HOT TOPICS**

#### **State Testing: Progress Monitoring 3**

PM3 Testing begins April 1 with 5<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST Writing. K-2 STAR testing starts April 14. The full testing schedule is below.

#### **Kindergarten Registration is Now Open**

To help get us prepared for the 2025-2026 school year, we encourage you or other families who have incoming Kindergarten Cougars to register. This will help us with our budget as well as placing Kinder kiddos in classrooms.

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/student/enrollment/>

#### **Visual and Performing Arts Night**

This event has been rescheduled for Thursday, May 15 at 5:30 pm. We hope you will join us for a night of PK-5 art displays as well as a performance from our Choralin' Cougars.

#### **2025-2026 Classroom Placement Input Form**

At the end of April, forms will be sent digitally through the Growl newsletter. Just a friendly reminder. Please do not request a specific teacher. More information to follow, including the due date.



**Growth Mindset: “The best way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.” —Walt Disney**

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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/>

<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](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.

### **Family Portal Access to STAR & Cambium**

The Family Portal can be used to access your student's results for FAST STAR & Cambium. <https://flfast.org>

<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

- 4/7 Assistant Principal Week 4/7-4/11
- 4/10 PTO Spirit Night Tropical Smoothie Cafe from 5:00 pm- 8:00pm.  
Located at 2375 State Road 16, St Augustine
- 4/14 Lindsey & Rodriguez – Reading  
Sarracino & Watts – Reading  
SAC Meeting 5:30 pm
- 4/15 Lindsey & Rodriguez – Math  
Sarracino & Watts – Math
- 4/16 Simcoe, McNeill, White & Mukherjee – Reading  
Kamm, Baker & Moore – Reading
- 4/17 Simcoe, McNeill, White & Mukherjee – Math  
Kamm, Baker & Moore – Math  
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**

<del>11/22</del>	12/20	3/7
1/24	<del>2/13</del>	3/28
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  
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 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 **PM3 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.

4/14 –	<b>Reading:1<sup>st</sup></b> - Lindsey & Rodriguez	<b>Reading: 2<sup>nd</sup></b> - Sarracino & Watts
4/15 –	<b>Math:1<sup>st</sup></b> - Lindsey & Rodriguez	<b>Math: 2<sup>nd</sup></b> - Sarracino & Watts
4/16 –	<b>Reading:1<sup>st</sup></b> - McNeill, Mukherjee, Simcoe & White	<b>Reading: 2<sup>nd</sup></b> - Baker, Kamm & Moore
4/17 –	<b>Math: 1<sup>st</sup></b> - McNeill, Mukherjee, Simcoe & White	<b>Math: 2<sup>nd</sup></b> - Baker, Kamm, & Moore
4/21 –	<b>Reading: K</b> - McQuaig, Tredik	
4/22 –	<b>Math: K</b> - McQuaig, Tredik	
4/23 –	<b>Reading: K</b> - Dingler, Frazer, Heffernan, , Ramirez/Ham	
4/24 –	<b>Math: K</b> - Dingler, Frazer, Heffernan, Ramirez/Ham	
4/29 –	<b>Reading</b> - Mendez & Tichnell	
4/30 –	<b>Math</b> – Mendez & Tichnell	

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*

PAWS UP!

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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://flfast.org/families.html>.

**5/1 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading:** Bikowski, Coriell, Keating, Matthiesen, McVay, H. White

**5/2 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Math:** Bikowski, Coriell, Keating, Matthiesen, McVay, H. White

**5/5 – 5<sup>th</sup> Reading:** Acs, Daniel, Miller, Whitaker, Savarese

**5/6 – 5<sup>th</sup> Math:** Acs, Daniel, Miller, Whitaker, Savarese

**5/8 – 5<sup>th</sup> Science:** Acs, Daniel, Miller, Whitaker, Savarese

**5/12 – 4<sup>th</sup> Reading:** Allen, Kennelly, Skanes, Smolek, Zaletel

**5/13 – 4<sup>th</sup> Math:** Allen, Kennelly, Skanes, Smolek, Zaletel

**Make Up Dates:** 5/14, 5/15, 5/16, 5/19, 5/20, 5/21, 5/22, 5/23, 5/26, 5/27, 5/28, 5/29, 5/30

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).

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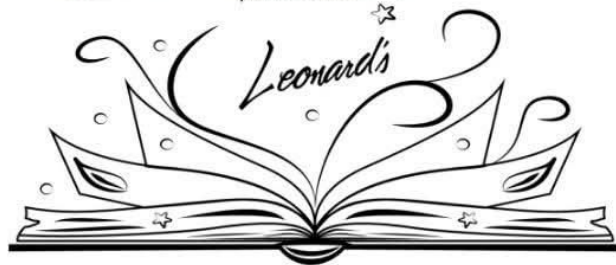
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Deadline: 2/14/2025

(Limited availability)

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## Welcome from your Crookshank PTO!

### The Buddy-A-Thon

Our Stuffing event will be Thursday, April 2.

### 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! The board consists of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Events Chair, and Community Partner Coordinator. Reach out to us at [CrookshankPTO@gmail.com](mailto:CrookshankPTO@gmail.com) if you are interested! – See Flyer Below

### Spirit Night

Thursday, April 10, 2025 at Tropical Smoothie Cafe from 5:00 pm to 8:00pm. Located at 2375 State Road 16, St Augustine 32084. 20 percent of all net sales will be donated back to Crookshank Elementary School so please so the flyer so that the QR Code can be scanned or entered the promo code TSCGIVES at checkout when ordering online or on the Tropical Smoothie Cafe app.

### Volunteer With Us!

We have many volunteer opportunities for you throughout the year! Make sure you are an approved volunteer with SJCS D here. It takes about 2 weeks to get approval after submission. Read through St. Johns County's Volunteer Handbook and PTO Volunteer Guide to learn more about what it takes to be an awesome volunteer! Next opportunity will be Test Proctoring for our upcoming PM3 State Assessments.

### PTO Meetings

May 12, 2025 (includes elections)

### 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-ptto.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-ptto.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>



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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-ptto.cheddarup.com>. With your support, we can achieve great things!

Warmest Regards,

Annie Oxarart and Lynne Sykes, Community Engagement Coordinators



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## 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 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR:

POSITION:	DESCRIPTION:
President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A supervisor role who “GETS THINGS DONE!” Responsible for running and managing all aspects of the PTO and holding meetings.</li></ul>
Vice President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A crucial assistant to the PTO President. Handles extra tasks and assists with all things PTO.</li></ul>
Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maintains all records of the PTO, takes minutes at meetings, maintains events records, and updates website.</li></ul>
Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Handles all banking and finances. Ensures books are kept up and the budget is in check</li></ul>
Community Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Publicize school needs by soliciting donations and Business Sponsors.</li></ul>
Events Planner Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plans 3-4 events per year. Works closely with the Fundraising Chair.</li></ul>
Fundraising Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plans approximately 3-4 fundraisers. Works closely with the Events Chair.</li></ul>

**If interested, please email us at [crookshankpto@gmail.com](mailto:crookshankpto@gmail.com) no later than Monday, April 28, 2025. Voting will take place at the PTO meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025.**

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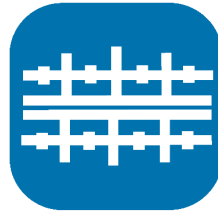
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## Ancient City Soccer Club

present their

### After-School Project

2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> and then 2pm-3.15pm thereafter**).

**Session Runs:** Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January– Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

**Tournament at Gamble Rogers MS:** Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

**Cost:** \$150 (No session on 19<sup>th</sup> March; Spring break)

**REGISTER:** Go to [www.ancientcitysoccer.com](http://www.ancientcitysoccer.com)

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

Contact: Andy Carey at [schools@ancientcitysoccer.com](mailto: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](http://BackyardRule.com) or email [nate@backyardrule.com](mailto:nate@backyardrule.com)

## ***Mondays***

RB Hunt

## ***Tuesdays***

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## ***Wednesdays***

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

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