

The WAVE

August/September
2022



PVPV/Rawlings
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Letter From the Principal

I've been annoying our staff here at school these last few weeks by telling them about my next big adventure. You see, I'd like to hike the John Muir trail from Yosemite Valley, up into the serene Tuolumne (too-aa-luh-mee) Meadows, through the famed Sierra Nevada Mountain range, through the Ansel Adams Wilderness, through Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks before finally reaching the summit of the highest peak in the lower 48, Mount Whitney (14,505'). This epic adventure should take roughly 3 weeks, covers 220 miles, and involves an immense amount of planning for all sorts of things such as food resupplies along the trail, camping equipment, river crossings, and preparing for the different weather along the trail. The key to a great adventure is in the planning before you even set foot in Yosemite Valley. Anyway, it's gotten so bad that Mrs. Hillier and Mrs. Whaley have banned me from even discussing it. Our amazing front desk clerk at PVPV, Anne Rubocki, who actually has a degree in Outdoor Education is even tired of hearing about my would-be adventure. So now I've resorted to talking to her 4th grader. Joe Rubocki politely listens to my rantings but has already said he wants no part of a 220 mile hike.

While the John Muir Trail looks to be an incredible experience, there is no greater adventure than running a school and planning is just as crucial here as it is on the John Muir Trail. In fact, I think a huge reason I can even THINK about the John Muir Trail is because of the amazing start to the 2022-2023 school year and the incredible amount of planning that went into our August 10th opening. I'm so grateful for our teachers and staff who are devoted to making this an amazing year for our students. Thank you, parents, for your amazing support and enthusiasm and thank you PTO for your tremendous support to open the year. Finally, thank you students for coming in PUMPED UP for the new year and ready to Work Hard, Be Kind, and Be Awesome!

I have to say, the planning NEVER stops! September is a HUGE month for our school! On the 13th we have Open House for PVPV (K-2) and on the 15th we have Open House for Rawlings (3-5). This is a great opportunity to learn more about your child's classroom and the high expectations we have for our students. On the 16th we will have our first Donuts with Dads and Dudes sponsored by Precision Turf. Finally, on the 23rd of this month we will release our Coastal Luxury Outdoors Turtle Trot Pep Rally Video announcing our fund-raising goal and some amazing new improvements to our school that we would love to see happen. And don't even get me started on the planning involved for our Turtle Trot fun run in October! The planning never stops!

Thank you again for an amazing August and looking forward to an awesome September. I will keep you all updated on my John Muir adventure. . . getting the permit is considered the hardest challenge of all. . . only 3% of applicants are selected! My fingers are crossed for a July 2023 start!

Respectfully,

Dr. Gates

August

SEPTEMBER

NEWS

Dates to Remember

September

September 5th Labor Day-No school

September 13th-Open House (K-2)

September 14th-PTO General Meeting PVPV Cafeteria, 8:45 AM

September 15th-Open House (Gr 3-5)

September 16th-Donuts with Dads & Dudes, Rawlings Cafeteria, 7 AM

September 22-Kid of Character, PVPV Cafeteria, 8:45 AM

September 23-Turtle Trot Pep Rallies, PVPV Rawlings

We're Here to Help!

***Rawlings phone calls, emails, notes,
etc.-***

**Rawlings Receptionist Julie Figg:
547-8570**

Julie.Figg@stjohns.k12.fl.us

OR

PV phone calls, emails, notes, etc.-

**PV Receptionist Anne Rubocki:
547-3820**

Anne.Rubocki@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Lost & Found:

If your child has lost something, they may look in our Lost & Found on the Cafeteria stage at either school. Items not picked up will be donated at the end of the school year.

Lunch Visits

Parents and loved ones are allowed to come eat lunch with their child any day during the week. All visitors must sign in and be a cleared volunteer. We ask for parents to sit on Turtle Terrace at PVPV, and at designated table on Rawling Stage in cafeteria.



****Please be sure to provide your child with a refillable water bottle daily. ****



From the Clinic:



Both the PV and Rawlings clinics need donations of elastic-waist bottoms (leggings, shorts, sweats) for boys and girls, as well as new packages of underwear.

School Hours

Don't Forget!
Early Release is
1:45 every
Wednesday



7:50 – Doors Open
8:15 – First Bell: Students report to class
8:20 – Morning Announcements
8:25 – Tardy Bell
2:45 – Dismissal

After 8:25 - Please park your car and walk your child into the office and sign them in.

Dismissal Reminders:

Transportation Changes & Early Pickups:

Please arrange transportation changes and early pickups before 2:00 (1:00 on Wed). Please notify the front office if you have transportation changes for your child. This makes dismissal much smoother in the afternoon if we know where students are supposed to be. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

PVPV (904) 547-3820

Rawlings (904) 547-8570



Introducing...

My name is Taylor Cronenberg and I am a first year, first grade teacher! I'm from Melbourne, FL but I've been in Jax for almost 5 years now! When I'm not at school, one of my favorite things to do is going to sporting events. Whether it's a jumbo shrimp game, icemen game or a Jag's game... you can count me in! I also want to give a huge thank you to all the people that have made me feel so welcomed and supported so far! I could not be happier to be starting out my career here at PV/PV.



My name is Kaleigh Kessler! I am so excited to be back in the same fourth grade classroom I was in as a student! This will be my fifth year in St. Johns County. I really enjoy making content come alive for students through interactive lessons and collaborative, project-based activities. In my free time, I enjoy hiking, traveling, and swimming. This summer I went to both sides of the continental U.S. visiting Portland, Maine and Portland, Oregon!



My name is Kristen Armstrong and I am coming to PVPV Rawlings with 15 years of Art teaching experience, and each year it just seems to get a little better! My beautiful family and I just moved to PVB and are planning to build our new home soon. We love going to the beach and collecting sea glass and shark's teeth, and spending time with our dogs, two adorable Weimaraners named Slider and Goose. I am so excited to work with the students and look forward to many GREAT years ahead as a Sea Turtle!





Introducing...

My name is Cynthia Bomar and I have taught students for almost thirty years and for twenty of those years I have been here in St. Johns County. In June I celebrated my 25th wedding anniversary by traveling to Ireland and Scotland. I also have two grown children and two dogs. I spend my free time doing lots of hobbies to stay busy! I make soap, candles, and anything else I find on Pinterest! I love to travel, ride my bike, garden and learn new things through reading, listening to audio books or podcasts. I hope to inspire that love for learning in my students. I am looking forward to my new adventure of being a sea turtle!



Hi! I'm Madison Hamby and I graduated with my master's degree in elementary education from the University of Florida this past April. I worked as a yearlong intern at PVPV/Rawlings last school year (in 2nd grade with Christine Sloan). I love running, going to the beach, and spending time with family and friends. I grew up in St. Johns county and did all my schooling here, so I am very excited to be working with the caliber of teachers I know we have in our district!



Hi! My name is Amy Pattison and I am a new 4th grade teacher who is a proud graduate of the University of Florida and the biggest Gator fan you may ever meet! I left the corporate business world after 26 years to become a teacher. I work out every morning before school and enjoys going to the beach on the weekends. I also love to travel with my fabulous husband, and I have two amazing daughters that went to PVPV/Rawlings.



Media Center News

Library Media Center News

Parental Choice:

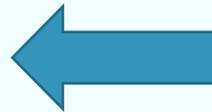
<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/wp-content/uploads/sites/127/2022/08/2021-updated-individual-library-pln-Update8-8-22.pdf>



PARENTAL CHOICE LIBRARY BOOK RESTRICTION FORM

Parents may utilize this form to restrict titles their child may check out in the school library. Please complete the form and return it to your child's teacher or librarian.

This form is only for when a parent is seeking to restrict access to materials in the Media Center.



Summer Reading Log:

Turn in your reading log to your school librarian to earn your Summer Reading Brag Tag! A minimum of 5 books are required to earn a brag tag. The last day to turn in a summer reading log is Wednesday, September 7th.

<https://www-pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/files/2022/05/Summer-Reading-Brag-Tag.pdf>

Summer Reading

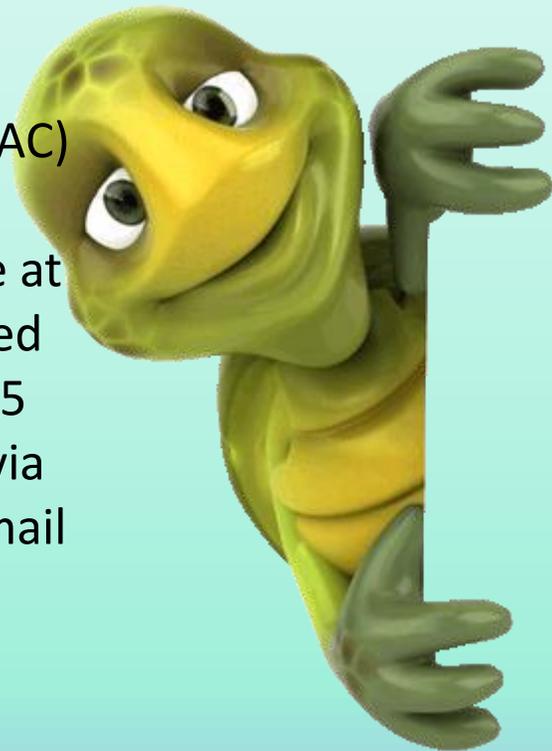


The Media Advisory Committee is looking for members!

This committee assists with reconsideration of library materials at the school level, as well as collection development for the library media center. Membership is not anonymous and our meetings are subject to public records.

Please contact your school librarian **by September 9th** if you are interested in joining the Media Advisory Committee. Members will be selected using a lottery system.

The School Advisory Committee (SAC) is also looking for members to represent our diverse families here at PVPV Rawlings. If you are interested in serving our school (roughly 30-45 minute commitment each month via Teams or here at school) please email missy.ebert@stjohns.k12.fl.us



The Great Genre Challenge

Read books of your choice
in a genre and pass the AR quiz
to earn a brag tag.

3rd Grade = 3 books per genre

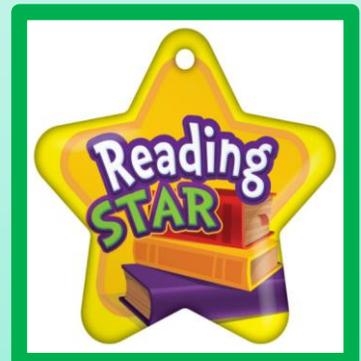
4th Grade = 4 books per genre

5th Grade = 5 books per genre

Collect all 10 genres tags to earn the
Reading Star brag tag!



Please let your library media
specialist know when you have
completed
a genre challenge to receive your
genre brag tag.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Accelerated Reader Brag Tags

Let your librarian know when you have enough AR points
for a brag tag!

PVPV 1 st & 2 nd	Rawlings 3 rd - 5 th	Level
25 Points Bronze	50 Points Bronze	
50 Points Silver	100 Points Silver	

75 Points Gold	150 Points Gold	
100 Points Superstar	200 Points Superstar	



Donations Needed!

The PVPV Media Center is creating "Creation Station" within the library. Creation Station will be a Makerspace for the students; a place where students can create, make, explore, and build using various materials. Below is a list of items that the Creation Station needs:

- Empty boxes-tissue, cereal, small shipping boxes
- Paper plates
- Toilet paper rolls
- Googly eyes
- Craft sticks
- Yarn
- Scrapbook paper
- Clothespins
- Toothpicks
- Plastic cups
- Pipe cleaners
- Pom pom balls
- String
- Buttons
- Newspaper
- Kid friendly magazines

Feel free to send any items to school with your child in a bag labeled "Media Center."

Thank you so much,
Mrs. Masitti

Cafeteria *News*

Hello and welcome back Sea Turtle Families!

I am Michele Garren, the Food and Nutrition manager for PVPV/Rawlings. We are still using Paypams.com for lunch payments. On Paypams.com, you will be able to see your child's purchases and how much money they have left on their account. Please keep your students account current. A breakfast will include a breakfast entrée/cereal, fruit, juice and milk. We also have one cool box, daily, for lunch that includes Soybutter & Jelly sandwich, sliced apples, carrot dippers with ranch, and a choice of another vegetable and milk. If your child gets a second entrée at lunch, then they will be charged as ala carte.

Here are some of the items we sell in our cafeteria:

School Breakfast	\$1.25	School Lunch	\$2.80
Dry Cereal	.60	Extra Entrée	\$2.25
Fruit	.75	One Cool Box	\$2.50
Milk	.60	Vegetables	.75
Graham Crackers	.75	Cheese Sticks	.85
Cookies (Thurs.)	.50	Water	.75
Ice Cream (Friday)	\$1.00	Izze Drink	\$1.50
Fruit Snacks	\$1.00	Pop Tarts	.90
Papa John's	\$2.50/ slice	Rawlings-Tuesday's	PVPV-Wednesday's

If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at

Michele.garren@stjohns.k12.fl.us or call me at 904-547-8576. Thank you!

p.s.~ Snacks and Papa John's Pizza will start the week of September 5th. Students must have money in their lunch accounts to purchase them. As a reminder, please prepay your students lunch accounts by cash, check, or on PayPam's.com.



School Nurse News



Welcome back Sea Turtle families!

We hope that you all had a wonderful summer making fabulous memories with family and friends!

Please see the PVPV/Rawlings website if you need medication forms for your children. If you have any questions about what you need regarding your child's medication, please call your students respective clinics directly:

Rawlings 547-8573: Nurse Masley (M-W), Nurse Freeman (TR/F)

PVPV 547-3834: Nurse Payne

Your PVPV/Rawlings Nurses are excited to return to school!!!

Cindy Masley, RN

Stacey Payne, RN

Toni Freeman, RN





First Day of School





PVPV Rawlings PTO

Dear PVPV/Rawlings Families,

It's Back to School time for all of our Sea Turtles! I hope all of you had a great summer filled with relaxing, sports, traveling, and enjoying time with friends and family. On behalf of the PVPV Rawlings PTO, we are thrilled to meet all of our new families and welcome back all of our returning families.

My name is Jennifer Cleek and this will be my second year serving as your PTO President for the 2022-2023 school year. Our PTO family has been hard at work all Summer to ensure we provide the enthusiasm and support to our teachers, staff, and children for the upcoming year.

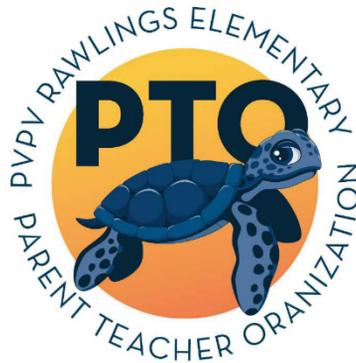
With your help last year, the PTO was able to raise money to go towards a new playground at PVPV and a covered pavilion at Rawlings. The PTO was able to provide the educational curriculum and licensing the teachers use in their classrooms. This includes online programs such as: IXL Reading, Math Accelerated Reader, and Achieve 3000 Grade Level supplies.

PTO membership helps to cover the costs of school-wide activities and programs, community events, and staff appreciation initiatives throughout the year. While volunteers are always welcome, joining the PTO is not necessarily a commitment to volunteer. Your membership shows support for our school and is greatly appreciated by the children and staff. Please visit www.pvpvrawlingspto.com to learn more about our 2022 – 2023 membership plans.

Please follow us on Facebook and Instagram @pvpvrawlingspto and visit the PTO website, www.pvpvrawlingspto.com, for updates. We will be making every effort to communicate via our digital platforms throughout the year!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Cleek
PVPVvRawlings PTO President



PTO MEETING

Please join us for our Fall PTO meeting to hear what the PTO is planning for the 2022-2023 school year.

Meet the 2022-2023 PTO Board & Committee Chairs

Dr. Gates' Update

PTO President's Update

Meet the Artist

Community Partners

Volunteer Information

Spirit Rock

Upcoming Events & Fundraisers

SEPTEMBER

14

AT

8:45am

PVPV Cafeteria

Questions? Contact us

pvpvrawlingspto@gmail.com



with Dads & Dudes

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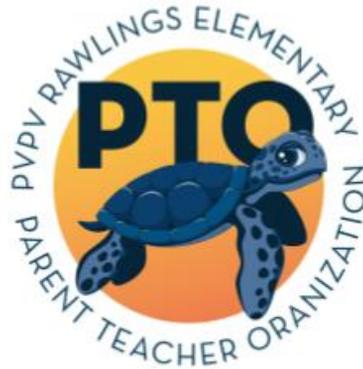
PVPV Rawlings Dads & Dudes (Uncles, Grandpas, Neighbors, Big Brothers, Special Friends, etc.) are invited to enjoy a treat before school with your student (boys and girls) while socializing with other PVPV Rawlings Dads & Dudes.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:00AM - 7:50AM
RAWLINGS CAFETERIA

PLEASE VISIT
PVPVRAWLINGSPTO.COM TO SIGNUP





Paint the Spirit Rock at PVPV and Rawlings

The Spirit Rock is a great way to send a message for all to see! In fact, there are **TWO** rocks to choose from: the Bus Loop and PVPV Carline.

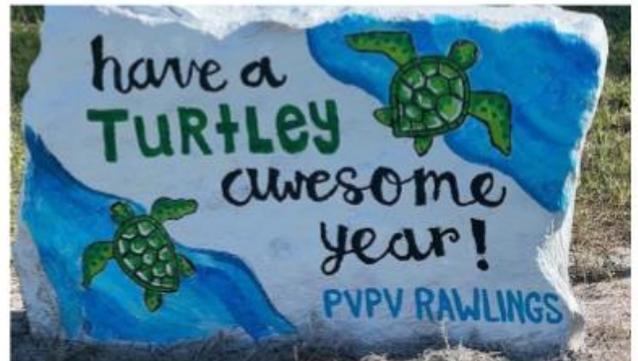
For a reservation of \$35/day, you can congratulate your favorite student, wish a "Happy Birthday" (or half birthday), show appreciation to your favorite teacher or staff member, or just let everyone know how much you love PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School!

[CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS AND TO RESERVE YOUR DATE!](#)

Questions? Email
spiritrock.pvpvrawlingspto@gmail.com



Located in the Bus Loop



Located at PVPV Carline

PVPV/Rawlings Rocks!

“Rent the Rock”

The Spirit Rock is a great way to send a message for all to see! In fact, there are two spirit rocks to choose from with locations in the **Bus Loop** and the **PVPV Carline**. For a reservation of \$35/day, congratulate your favorite student, wish them happy birthday (or “half” birthday), show appreciation to your favorite teacher or staff member, or just let everyone know how much you love PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School!

RESERVATIONS

Reservations for each rock are made online via the designated Sign Up Genius links, located on the school website. You can sign up to paint either rock regardless of which school your child attends. All reservation dates are listed; slots will not be modified. Reservations are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis. Keep in mind that the earlier you make your reservation, the more likely you are to get your desired date. There are only 180 school days, and we have over 1000 students, so please be understanding if you do not get your desired date. Any family may rent the rock up to (3) days per semester. These days may be in a row or separate days throughout the semester. The renting of the rock runs on the honor system; we hope everyone respects the guidelines set by the school administration.

HOW TO PAINT THE ROCK

All artwork painted on the rock must be in good taste and may not contain any foul or derogatory language, religious, political, or offensive statement/symbols. The messages or designs must be positive! *School administration has the right to paint over and revoke further painting privileges for individuals who do not abide by these rules.*

Families need to provide their own paint and supplies. Spray paint may be used to cover the previous message. Use only “standard” latex or water-based paint on the rock. Painting of school property, besides the rock, is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, sidewalks, asphalt, lamp posts, or buildings. Any damage to the surrounding area or building will result in financial responsibility for repairs to the responsible party.

There are no trash cans or water supply available. Please bring appropriate bags to clean up afterwards. Paint cans are not allowed to be put in dumpsters on school property.

WHEN CAN I PAINT THE ROCK?

Painting of the rock may occur anytime between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on the day before your rental. For instance, if you are renting the rock on Tuesday, August 24, you may paint the rock anytime between 4pm and 7pm on Monday, August 23. If you are renting the rock on Monday, you will need to paint the rock the Friday before between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

WHAT IF IT'S RAINING WHEN IT'S TIME FOR ME TO PAINT?

In the event of inclement weather, please plan on painting with an umbrella in hand. For severe weather that prohibits afternoon painting, you may paint from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. on the day you rent the rock. The PTO will not give refunds on rock reservations. If you are unable to paint on the rock on your scheduled date, please try to trade with another family. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

SHOW OFF YOUR ARTWORK!

Make sure to email a picture of your painted rock art to spiritrock.pvpvrawlingspto@gmail.com. Your photo will be added to our "Rock Collection" gallery! By emailing a photo that includes children, parents must understand that they are giving their permission for the photo to be posted on the PTO website and/or on social media sites. We look forward to seeing all the creative decorating!

For any questions, please email Suzanna Combs at spiritrock.pvpvrawlingspto@gmail.com.



JOIN TEAM TURTLE!

WORK HARD! BE KIND! BE AWESOME!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP ONLINE NOW!

While volunteers are always welcome, joining the PTO is NOT a commitment to volunteer. Your membership shows support for our school and is greatly appreciated by the children and staff of PVPV/Rawlings. Our goal is 100% of families to join.

Support in any amount is welcome!

YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK!

What makes PVPV/Rawlings such a desirable school, setting us apart from others? Incredible teachers and staff, and support from amazing families like yours!



PTO DELIVERS!!

Some areas where the PTO helps supplement PVPV Rawlings...

- **\$177,000** for a new PE Pavilion cover at Rawlings
- New playground structure at PVPV
- **\$64,000** Toward Technology Curriculum such as IXL, Accelerated Reader
- Grade Level Supplies, Materials, & Licensing
- Guest Speakers and Authors
- Community Outreach
- Teacher & Staff Support
- Enhanced Playgrounds & Outdoor spaces

PTO MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

All membership levels receive pizza, popcorn, and a drink at Shellebration!

- **\$500** Sea Turtle of the Year
1 rental of the PVPV Rawlings rock at this level
- **\$250** Gold Sea Turtle
- **\$100** Silver Sea Turtle
- **\$50** Bronze Sea Turtle
- **\$25** Green Sea Turtle
- **\$1** Faculty & Staff

Please direct any questions or concerns to: membership.pvpvrawlingspto@gmail.com



SHELLABRATION!

Thank you to Beaches Orthodontics for sponsoring our back-to-school movie night, Shellebration! It was great to see old and new Sea Turtle families!



Beaches Orthodontics
Dr. Shreena Patel

www.PatelBeachesOrthodontics.com

904-241-2471

Change a Smile Change a Life



A.C.E UPDATE

We are excited to welcome back old friends and some new friends for another fun filled year at ACE.

REGISTRATION:

We're excited to say our program is just about full. Third through fifth grade is full and there are a few spots left in K-2, but not many. It is important that you email Lynda Wing, the Extended Day Coordinator to inquire if there is room for your child before signing them up – her email is lynda.wing@stjohns.k12.fl.us or she can be reached at 904-547-3830. We do have a waiting list available as we do have students drop in and out. Please make sure you plan ahead as your child cannot start on the day you enroll them. If you have more than one child in ACE sibling discount rates or extenuating financial circumstances, please contact Lynda.

HOMEWORK LAB/COMPUTER TIME:

We get many inquiries about homework. As always, we do have homework time available, but it is up to your child to go to the Homework Lab and do their homework. If a child cannot behave and is disrupting other students, they will be asked to leave homework. If their behavior becomes an ongoing problem, they will no longer be allowed to use the lab. The same applies to Computer Lab. Please be aware we do not always have access to the Computer Lab. We are in the process of getting some computers put in our Homework Room so we will always have them available. However, they are not yet hooked up. If a child is found on non-approved sights or misuses computer time, they will be banned from Computer time at ACE.



MORE ACE...

ATTENDANCE/PICK UP:

If your child is not going to be attending ACE on any given day you must email Lynda.wing@stjohns.k12.fl.us, your child's teacher and the front office receptionist – PV – anne.rubocki@stjohns.k12.fl.us, Rawlings – Julie.figg@stjohns.k12.fl.us. If it is later in the day, please be sure to call the front office and let them know. They will get the message to the proper parties. When we have to look for your child, we hold up the school buses.

Children must be picked up NO LATER THAN 6:00 PM. You must have a backup plan in case of traffic, emergencies, etc. There is a \$1 PER MINUTE late fee for every minute after 6:00 PM. It is a long day for everyone, especially your children. Our staff also have families to get home to and your consideration is greatly appreciated. There are 4 days that PickUp is at 5:00 PM: the day before Thanksgiving break, the day before Christmas break, the day before Spring break and the last day of school. Please be sure you mark your calendars. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in this matter. A lot of our staff has travel plans on these days and family of their own to get home to. If you are late you will be charged \$1 per minute and a LATE FEE of \$25 on any of these 4 days.



PAYMENTS:

Payments #1 and #2 should be made by now. The next Payment due is #3 and it is due on September 10th. All payments are now always due on the 10th of the month. We do not send out invoices. Payment due dates will be posted on our ACE News Bulletin in the front office by the check out sheet and you will get a message through School Messenger. If you change your email, phone number, etc. you must notify Ms. Wing so she can make that change in the system so you will continue to receive Messenger.

ENRICHMENT CAMPS:

HERE IT IS!!

Below is a list of Camps and the days they will be held. Most camps now have their flyers on our school website. If we do not have flyers we will list their contact information. Please contact them directly. Enrichment camps are handled directly by their vendors. Contact the camps directly with any information regarding your child. If your child is NOT GOING TO BE AT CAMP OR IS OUT SICK AND NOT GOING TO CAMP IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY THE CHILD'S TEACHER, FRONT DESK, LYNDA WING, EXTENDED DAY AND THE CAMP. Attendance is taken by the Camp Coaches. We do not have the resources to be holding up buses looking for your child at dismissal time.

If your child is not in Extended Day you must fill out a NON-EXTENDED DAY REGISTRATION FORM and pay a one-time yearly fee of \$25 to PVPV/Rawlings. This should be sent to Lynda Wing, Extended Day Coordinator. Your student will not start camp until this fee is paid.

AND FINALLY . . . THE CAMPS: (Please go to the school website for start dates and further information. Contact the vendors, not the school, all camps are handled directly through the vendors.)

MONDAY'S

Knight School of Chess, ***Monday's and Wednesday's***
Kick Start Art, ***Monday's***
Challenge Island, ***Monday's***

TUESDAY'S

Club Scientific, ***Tuesday's***
First Tee North Florida Golf – ***Tuesday's***
S4 Sports, ***Tuesday's and Friday's***

WEDNESDAY'S

Dance/Cheer & Acrobatics, ***Wednesday's***
Knight School of Chess, ***Wednesday's and Monday's***
Burn Boot Camp, ***Wednesday's***
Tennis, ***Wednesday's and Friday's***

THURSDAY'S

Soccer Shots, ***Thursday's***
KidzArt, ***Thursday's***
Kids Can Code, ***Thursday's***
Spanish, ***Thursday's***

FRIDAY'S

Drama, ***Friday's***
S4 Sports, ***Friday's and Tuesday's***
Tennis, ***Friday's and Wednesday's***



You can always contact me via email at
lynda.wing@stjohns.k12.fl.us or directly at 904-547-
3830.

Thank you!
Lynda Wing, Extended Day Coordinator

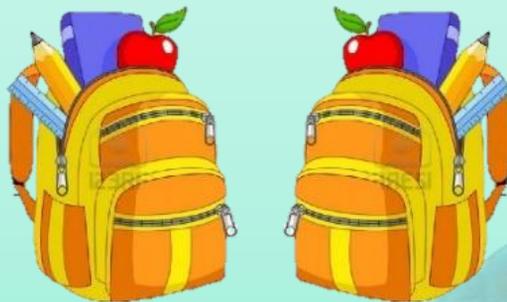
Blessings in a Backpack

If you receive free or reduced lunch, you may qualify for a weekend food supplement program known as Blessings-in-a-Backpack. This food staple snack bag is given out weekly throughout the school year. The bag is typically sent home in your child's backpack on Friday afternoons.

If you would like to participate or need further information about Blessings in a Backpack, a letter is being sent home with your child to let us know if you would like to be a part of the program. You may also contact your child's counselor. PVPV –

Heather.harrington@stjohns.k12.fl.us Rawlings –
kim.hollis@stjohns.k12.fl.us

To apply for free or reduced lunch, visit the St. Johns County website at www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/. You may also contact the cafeteria manager, Michele Garren at 547-8576, for questions related to the application process.



Deputy Taylor's Car Line Reminders:



Deputy Taylor would like to remind everyone of some very important information regarding school pick up and drop off. Please follow all signs and arrows in the parking lot. When instructed, please pull up to the designated area to pick up your child. To assist in buckling seatbelts at PV, you may pull into a parking spot on your way out, but please do not hold up the car line.



Car Line is a No-Phone-Zone

Florida law prohibits using a handheld “wireless communication device” while operating a vehicle in any school zone, school crossing, or work zone. The definition of a wireless communication device is broad and includes cellphones, tablets, laptops, and similar devices.

FLORIDA LAW ON VEHICLE CHILD RESTRAINT

All children aged 5 and younger must be restrained in a federally approved, crash tested, child restraint device. This includes separate carriers, boosters, or vehicle manufacturer integrated child seat.

Birth to 3	4 to 5	6 to 18
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Dear St. Johns County Parents,

Welcome back to school! I am thrilled to share that there will continue to be a Deputy Sheriff in each St. Johns County public school within our jurisdiction. The St. Augustine Police Department will also have officers placed at RB Hunt Elementary, Ketterlinus Elementary, Gaines Alternative School, and St. Joseph Academy. The partnership between our agency, the school district, and most importantly the families and students is vital to our success as a county.

As your Sheriff, I challenge all parents to continue being an active participant in your child's life. Their future depends on it. As a youth coach in St. Johns County for nearly 30 years, I've seen first-hand the importance of strong mentorship and involvement with our youth.

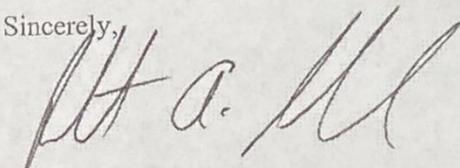
For me and this agency, there is nothing more important to us than the safety of our students. Our Youth Resources Deputies under the leadership of Captain Peggy Tennyson have spent the summer training so they are prepared for any situation that may occur during the school year. I cannot stress enough that if you see something, please say something. If it is an emergency, please dial 911 or for a non-emergency, call 904-824-8304. We will always put the safety and well-being of your children first.

I also challenge both parents and students to get to know your respective school's Youth Resource Deputy. The St. Johns County Sheriff's Office Youth Resource Deputies are there for each of you. If you hear or see something you think isn't right or you have a question about, reach out to them. It is paramount that our students know that the deputy in a uniform is a friend and there to be a resource to them.

I would also encourage you and your child to utilize the FortifyFL app to report suspicious information that is learned by our schools and students. These tips are relayed to law enforcement and school officials for immediate investigation. It is incredibly important for parents to remain vigilant and aware of their children's activities at school and elsewhere.

Finally, I'd like to thank you for your continued support of law enforcement in St. Johns County. It is truly our honor to be of service to you. For updates and current events on the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, please follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office if we can ever be of assistance.

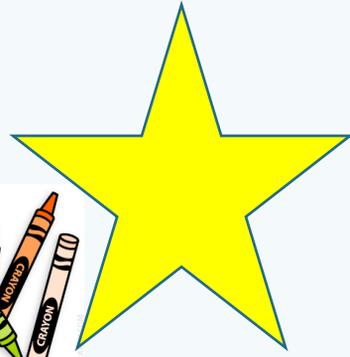
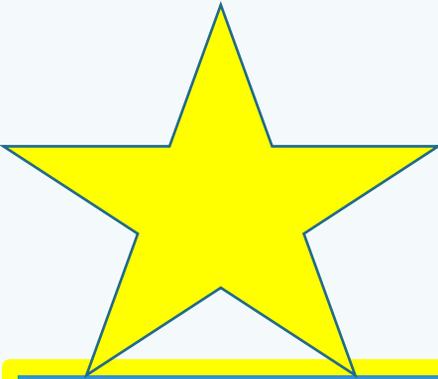
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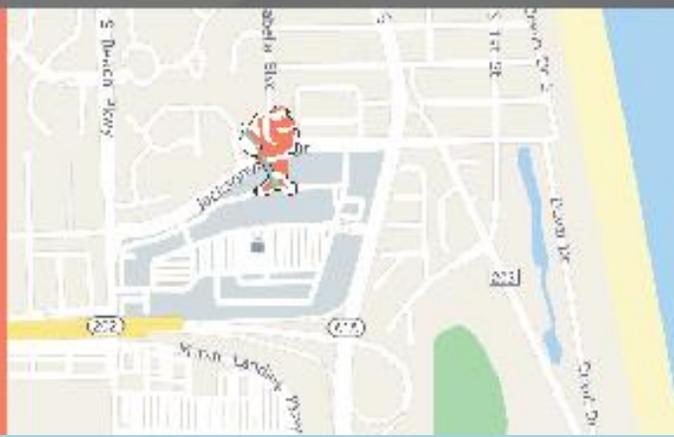
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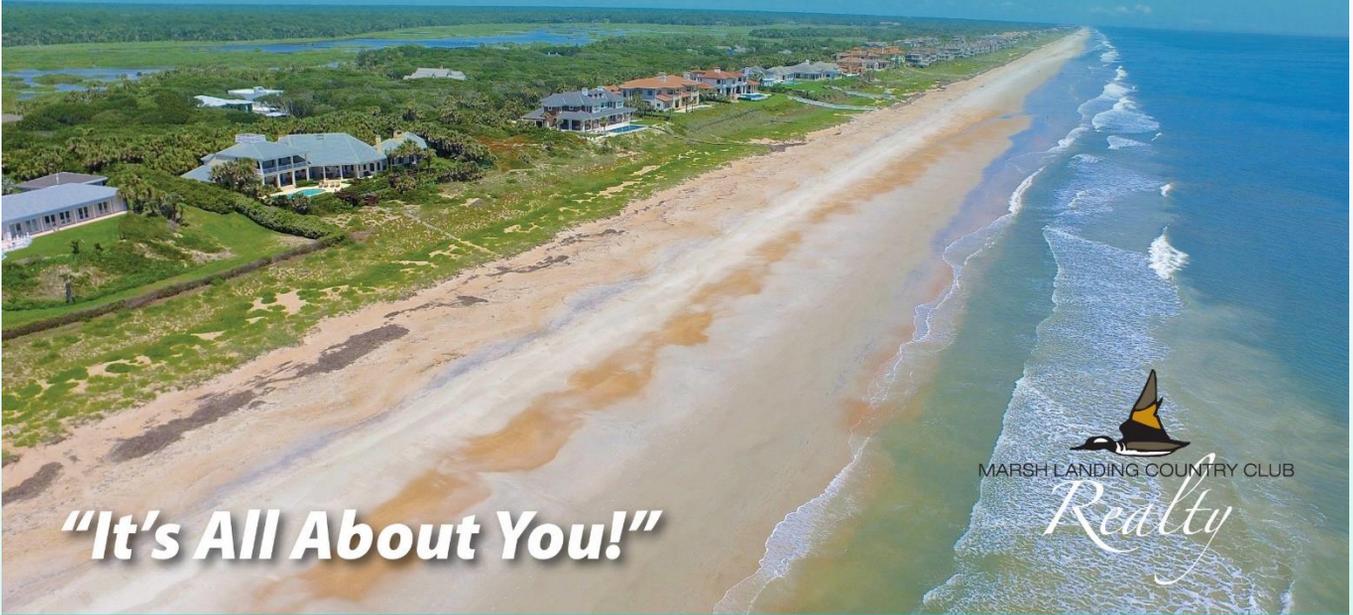


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