



PVPV (grades VPK-2)

630 A1A North
Ponte Vedra Beach
(904) 547-3820

Rawlings (grades 3-5)

610 A1A North
Ponte Vedra Beach
(904) 547-8570

<https://www-pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us>

Dates to Know

September

Attendance Awareness Month

Character Pillar: **Fairness**

FAST Testing Window for PM1 Fall

August 10th – September 24th

Sept. 4th – Wear **Yellow** for Childhood Cancer Awareness; last day to order spirit wear; 5th grade committee meeting at 9:30am in Rawlings café

Sept. 7th – **NO SCHOOL** for Labor Day

Sept. 8th – Turtle Trot Kick-Off; Turtle Trot RSVP opens (see info below)

Sept. 9th – Bus evacuation drill; Interims released; Family Night

Sept. 11th – Heroes' Day (wear **red**, **white**, and **blue**)

Sept. 21st – 24th – Turtle Trot Spirit Week (see info below)

Sept. 24th – Kid of Character Celebration for Fairness in the PVPV Cafeteria

Sept. 25th – **NO SCHOOL** - Teacher In-Service Day

Sept. 28th – RSVP for Turtle Trot closes

Oct. 1st – Turtle Trot!!!

Oct. 5th – Turtle Trot Rain Day; School Advisory Council Meeting at 3:15pm in the PVPV Cafeteria

Oct. 9th – End of Q1

Oct. 12th – **NO SCHOOL**– Teacher Planning Day

School Hours

8:00 - Doors open for students in K-5

8:15 - First bell, doors open for VPK

8:25 - Tardy bell; School day begins

2:45 - Dismissal for K-5 (1:45 early dismissal every Wednesday)

2:55 - Dismissal for VPK (1:55 early dismissal every Wednesday)

A Note from the Principal

Sea Turtles,

Welcome to September! I want to take a moment to thank each of you for your support and involvement as we begin another awesome school year. Your engagement, whether through attending events, volunteering, or simply supporting your child's learning at home, makes a tremendous difference. Together, we are building a vibrant school community where every child can **GLOW**!

Family Night is on September 9th. This is an evening to enjoy with your loved ones. Students should not have homework and there will be no tests or quizzes given in class on September 10th.

This month we will be finishing up our beginning of the year assessments to determine where students are starting with their reading and math skills. Teachers will use this information to guide instruction. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions about these assessments.

Thank you for being a part of our school community. Here's to a fantastic September filled with learning, laughter, and meaningful experiences!

With excitement,
Mrs. Jill Hillier, Principal

School Advisory Council

Who can be part of the School Advisory Council (SAC)?

SAC consists of teachers, parents, education support personnel and other citizens representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school.

What do members of the SAC do?

- assist the principal with the annual budget
- assist in the preparation and evaluation of the School Improvement Plan (SIP)
- approve the expenditure of school funds
- support school improvement implementation
- collect and analyze information about the community and receives public input regarding the needs of the school (needs assessment).
- review school-wide data, identifies areas for growth, and discusses ways to improve as a school
- adhere to the "Sunshine Law"
- assist in deciding how to spend 'A' school recognition money
- attend all quarterly SAC meetings

SAC Meeting Dates 2026-2027

October 5th

December 7th

February 1st

April 5th

Meetings are IN-PERSON and will begin at **3:15pm** in the **PVPV Cafeteria**.

Please contact Ms. Pekerol our SAC Co-Chair, or join us at the first meeting if you would like to be part of our school's School Advisory Council this year.

EMAIL: Kathryn.Pekerol@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Important Information Continued

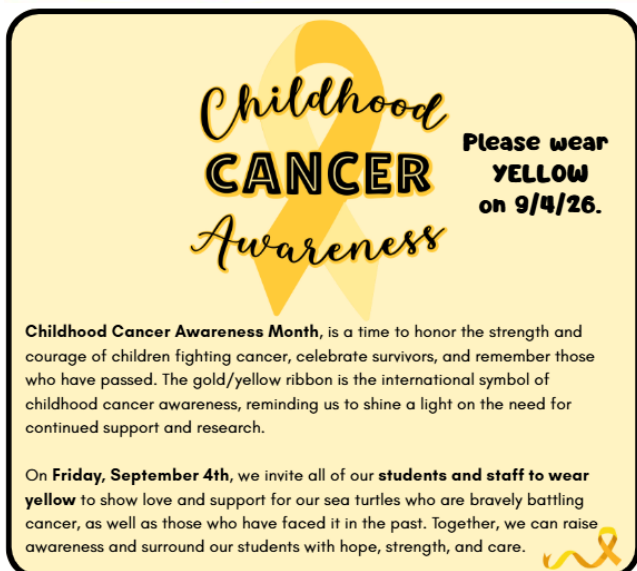
School Spirit Gear – open NOW until September 4th

Show your support for our school by purchasing school spirit gear! The online store will close on Sept. 4th. Click below or scan the QR code to see our awesome gear for 2026-2027.



PVPV RAWLINGS ELEMENTARY
SPIRIT STORE
2026

WATCH US GLOW
Work Hard. Be Kind. Be Awesome!



Childhood
CANCER
Awareness

Please wear
YELLOW
on 9/4/26.

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, is a time to honor the strength and courage of children fighting cancer, celebrate survivors, and remember those who have passed. The gold/yellow ribbon is the international symbol of childhood cancer awareness, reminding us to shine a light on the need for continued support and research.

On Friday, September 4th, we invite all of our students and staff to wear yellow to show love and support for our sea turtles who are bravely battling cancer, as well as those who have faced it in the past. Together, we can raise awareness and surround our students with hope, strength, and care.



9/11

Heroes' Day

On Friday, September 11th we will honor the many people who lost their lives in the attacks on September 11, 2001. We will remember the sacrifice of the many first responders, military personnel, government employees, and civilians who were impacted on that tragic day.

Please wear red, white, and blue on Friday, September 11th.



PONTE VEDRA BEACH • 45 Executive Way • 904-373-6600

Turtle Trot is on October 1st!



Let's GLOW the distance and reach our goal of \$125,000!

Visit www.PVBTurtleTrot.com on **September 8th** to get registered and start raising money!

TT Spirit Week

9/21 **Glow All Out** – Neon/bright day

9/22 **Shades On, Shine On** –
Sunglasses, glow bracelets, glow necklaces

9/23 **Light Up the Trot** – Colorful outfits (rainbow, tie-dye, sequins, neon, anything that shines)

9/24 **Turtle Trot Spirit** – Wear past Turtle Trot shirts, PVPV Rawlings spirit gear, or anything with a sea turtle



Turtle Trot Race Day Schedule



October 1, 2026

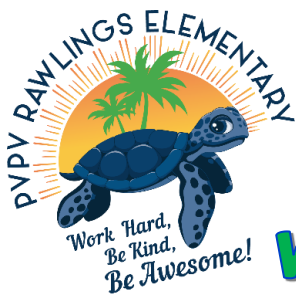


8:50-9:35am	3 rd grade
9:40-10:25am	4 th grade
10:30-11:15am	1 st grade/Polusani
12:00-12:45pm	2 nd grade
12:50-1:30pm	Kindergarten/VPK
1:35-2:20pm	5 th grade

Check-in with ID at the bus loop.
Gates will open 15 minutes prior to Turtle Trot time.

Spectators and Visitors at Turtle Trot

1. Make sure you are a cleared visitor in Raptor.
2. Please **CLICK HERE** TO RSVP by September 28th.
3. Bring your driver's license to check in at the bus loop on Turtle Trot day.



Behavior Expectations at PVPV Rawlings



Thank you to our sponsor for providing our PBIS cards, lanyards and brag tags!

Work Hard, Be Kind, Be Awesome!

What is PBIS?:

PVPV Rawlings Elementary is a PBIS school. What is PBIS? School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS) is a proactive, team-based framework for creating and sustaining safe and effective schools. Emphasis is placed on the prevention of problem behavior, development of pro-social skills, and the use of data-based problem solving for addressing existing behavior concerns. School-wide PBIS increases the capacity of schools to educate all students utilizing research-based school-wide, classroom, and individualized interventions.

PBIS is an approach in behavior management that is implemented on a school-wide level and taught in all school settings such as the classroom, cafeteria, hallways, restrooms, playgrounds, computer labs, and the school bus. Students also learn appropriate voice levels to use in different locations around the school. PBIS methods are research-based and include proactive strategies for defining and teaching expectations, supporting appropriate student behaviors, and responding to inappropriate behavior to create a positive school environment.

In addition to school wide expectations, teachers implement PBIS practices in the classroom including preventative and responsive approaches designed to decrease disruptions, increase instructional time, and improve student social behavior and academic outcome.

The key components of an effective school wide PBIS system involve:

- Clearly defining and teaching a set of behavioral expectations
- Consistently acknowledging and rewarding appropriate behavior
- Constructively addressing problematic behavior
- Effectively using behavioral data to assess progress

Student "I Got Caught" Card:

Another important component of PBIS is celebrating successes! We make a concerted effort to acknowledge students that work hard, are kind, and are awesome!



- Students keep their "I Got Caught" card on their school provided lanyards.
- Staff looks for students following our "Work Hard, Be Kind, Be Awesome" motto.
- Staff initials the square that best represents the behavior the student is being acknowledged for on the card.
- Students work to fill their cards to earn brag tags, get to the "Wall of Awesomeness", earn a Turtle Awesome t-shirt, and a Turtle Awesome lanyard.

Teacher "I Got Caught" Card:



- TEACHERS keep their "I Got Caught" card on their school provided lanyards.
- Staff looks for the CLASS to be following our "Work Hard, Be Kind, Be Awesome" motto in different areas of the school.
- Staff initials the square that best represents the behavior the students are being acknowledged for on the card.
- TEACHERS work to fill their class card to get the class on the "Wall of Awesomeness".

School-wide Expectations:



PVPV Rawlings PBIS Matrix

	Work Hard	Be Kind	Be Awesome
Hallways	• Walk on the right. • Stay in a single file line when with your class.	• Hands off the walls • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. • Voice level 0	• Move safely and responsibly. • Follow the teacher's directions.
Cafeteria	• Walk • Stay seated. • Raise your hand if you need something. • Eat your own food. • Keep your trash until someone comes to collect it.	• Use good manners. • Talk to classmates around you. • Wait your turn in line. • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. • Voice levels 1 or 2	• Eat and enjoy time with classmates. • Follow all adult directions. • Leave your area clean.
Recess	• Use the equipment safely. • Follow the rules of the game you're playing.	• Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. • Solve conflicts with your teacher's help. • Play fairly. • Include others.	• Be safe, play responsibly and respectfully, and have fun! • Line up quickly when it is time to leave the playground.
Bus	• Stay in your seat and buckle up. • Face forward. • Wait for the bus to STOP before getting up to exit. • Keep the bus clean.	• Use polite and kind words. • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. • Make room for those that need a seat. • Voice levels 1 or 2.	• Get to and from school safely. • Listen to your bus driver. • Treat the bus like it is your parent's car.
Computers	• Use the computers as directed by your teacher. • Raise your hand if you need help. • Keep food and drinks away from computers.	• Take care of the computers. • Leave keys in place, leave icons alone, do not adjust settings. • Voice level 0 in labs.	• Handle computers with care. • Use computers responsibly.
Restrooms	• Go and flush. • Wash your hands with soap. • Throw trash away.	• Wait your turn. • Allow privacy. • Respect school property. • Voice level 0	• Use the restroom quickly and quietly. • Report problems to an adult.

Character Counts:

The St. Johns County Pillars of Character are vitally important to our students' development. Incorporating these practices within our school environment and curriculum helps students become caring contributors to society and equips them for success in the 21st century. All adults within our school, including visitors, will model the Pillars of Character for our students.

We will host a monthly "Kid of Character" celebration to recognize students that meet the monthly character trait:

- September: Fairness
- October: Responsibility
- November: Citizenship
- January: Respect
- February: Caring
- March: Trustworthiness
- April: All Pillars



Discipline Protocols:

There are times when students forget expectations and make poor choices. We do our best to help students learn from their mistakes so misbehavior is not repeated.

Repeated, purposeful, and undesirable behavior is not tolerated and will be addressed. Administration will follow the St. Johns County School District's Student Code of Conduct to apply consequences for students who continue not to follow behavioral expectations. Consequences will be applied based on the level and severity of behavior.

Consequences include but are not limited to:

- Parent contact (phone or in-person meeting)
- Engaging in an act of kindness
- Verbal warnings and reminders; reteach expectations
- Time out in another classroom or the front office
- Reflection sheet
- Apology notes
- Counseling with administration or school counselor
- Lunch detention
- In-school suspension
- Out-of-school suspension
- Bus suspension
- Loss of privileges (i.e. missing class parties/special events, having to work alone instead of with a group, not being able to engage in "Fun Friday", etc.)

Need Assistance?

PVPV: (904) 547-3820

Rawlings: (904) 547-8570

Administration:

Jill Hillier (Principal) – Jill.Hillier@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Christi Thomas (Assistant Principal, VPK-2nd) – Christi.Thomas@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Ruth Cortes (Assistant Principal, 3-5) – Ruth.Cortes@stjohns.k12.fl.us

ACE Information

We are very excited to be back with your kids at ACE for the 2026/2027 school year. We have an amazing staff who have planned some wonderful activities to entertain your children while they are spending time with us. Our program of 30-minute intervals is a great success!

ACE rosters are extremely full. If you are using the drop-in option, please contact me at gail.catania@stjohns.k12.fl.us or call 904-547-3830 as soon as you have the need to be sure that there is space for your child. All information is available on the Extended Day Link. [Extended Day & Enrichment Programs – PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School \(stjohns.k12.fl.us\)](#)

Enrichment Camps begin in September. Sticky Fingers Cooking will be approved by the District in September and classes will begin in October. Please see the website for all of our camps and information. [Enrichment Camps – PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School \(stjohns.k12.fl.us\)](#). If your child is participating, you must complete the Non-ACE Registration form and return it to me along with the \$25 fee.

Extended Day Parents – By now you should have submitted your registration fee and Payments 1 & 2. If your payments are not current, please submit your payment immediately. Payment #3 for Extended Day is due September 10th.

ATTENDANCE/PICKUP: If your child is not going to attend ACE on any given day, you MUST EMAIL/CALL your child's teacher **and** Mrs. Catania to avoid holding up buses:

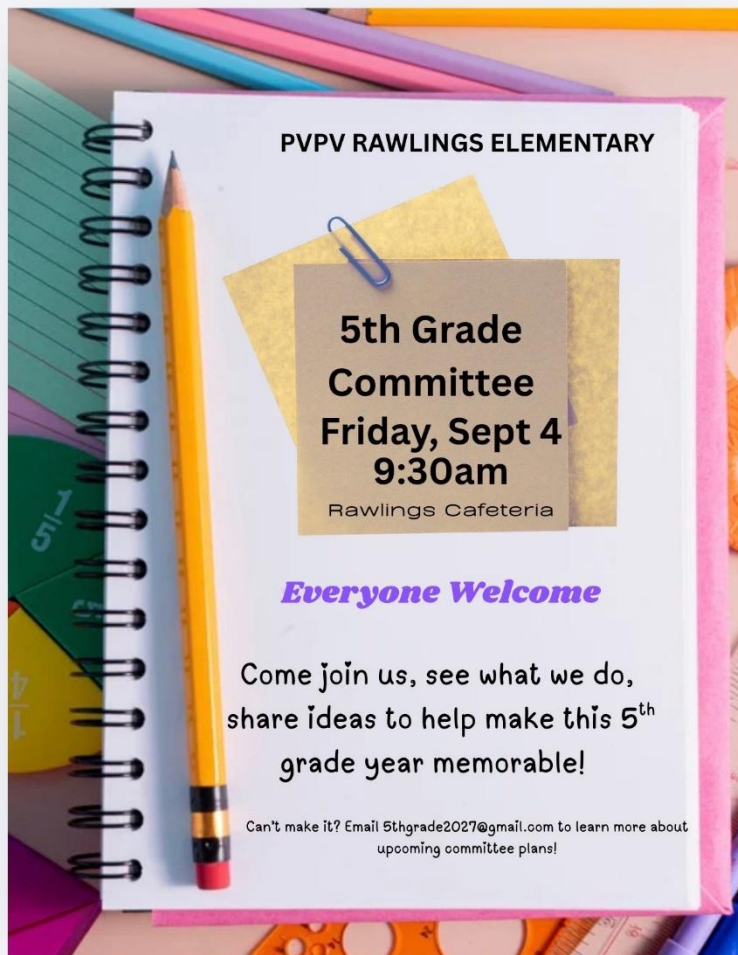
gail.catania@stjohns.k12.fl.us / 904-547-3830

PVPV: 904-547-3821

Rawlings: 904-547-8570

TRANSPORTATION CHANGES SHOULD BE AVOIDED AFTER 2 PM.

PLEASE PICK UP NO LATER THAN 6:00 PM. There is \$1 per minute late fee after 6:00 PM and after 5:00 PM on the following evenings: Before Thanksgiving Break, Christmas Break, Spring Break and the Last Day of School.



PVPV RAWLINGS ELEMENTARY

**5th Grade
Committee
Friday, Sept 4
9:30am**

Rawlings Cafeteria

Everyone Welcome

Come join us, see what we do,
share ideas to help make this 5th
grade year memorable!

Can't make it? Email 5thgrade2027@gmail.com to learn more about
upcoming committee plans!

PVPV Rawlings Proudly Supports Character Counts!

THE PLAYERS[®]

PROUDLY SUPPORTS



**CHARACTER
COUNTS!**
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Work hard, be kind, be awesome!



PVPV RAWLINGS ELEMENTARY

BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

OCTOBER 30TH
9:00AM – GRADES 3-5
9:45AM – GRADES VPK-2ND & POLUSANI
THE PARADE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE BUS LOOP.

Once Upon a Time

Outfits/costumes must be school appropriate.
Outfits/costumes should be themed to a book or profession.
NO scary costumes, NO weapons, NO masks, NO inflatables that cover the face and/or head.
No hover boards or scooters are permitted.
Students must come to school in their costume or be able to put the costume on without a teacher's help.
Teachers and staff are not expected to assist with costumes.
Parents are not permitted to drop costumes off the morning of the parade.
Parents may view the parade from the bus loop.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXCELLENCE IN EVERY CLASSROOM

EVERY DAY MATTERS! SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

- Higher Academic Achievement**
Regular attendance helps students stay on track with learning.
- Stronger Social Connections**
Students build meaningful connections with teachers, staff, and peers.
- Better Graduation Outcomes**
Consistent attendance supports long-term academic success.
- Improved Future Opportunities**
Strong attendance habits help prepare students for college, careers, and life.

MISSING 2 DAYS A MONTH can add up to CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

Missing 2 Days a Month
 ↓
 Over the School Year
 ↓
 10% or More of School Missed
 ↓
Chronic Absenteeism

Missing just two days each month, excused or unexcused, can impact student success.

FAMILIES ARE ESSENTIAL PARTNERS
WHAT FAMILIES CAN DO TO HELP

- Establish consistent bedtime and morning routines
- Schedule appointments outside of school hours when possible
- Plan vacations during school breaks
- Ensure students arrive on time every day
- Communicate with the school when attendance concerns arise
- Encourage your child to attend school regularly

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE
 SJCSD + FAMILIES = STUDENT SUCCESS

Every day a student is in school is an opportunity to:

- LEARN
- GROW
- CONNECT
- SUCCEED

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW.
 Together, schools and families can every student reach their full potential.

Clinic News

Please visit the Clinic website at <https://www.pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/>

Our clinics are taking donations of small bottles of Gatorade, individual packs of crackers and pretzels, and small bottles of water.

The PVPV Clinic needs S-M-L new undergarments, gently used shorts, pants with elastic bands, and socks (any size). We could also use shoe donations. Thank you!

PVPV: Nurse McKay 904-547-3834

Rawlings: Nurse Cavallini 904-547-8573

No Electronic Devices

In accordance with House Bill 1105, the use of wireless communication devices by elementary students is strictly prohibited during the school day.

Watches, phones, iPads, tablets, etc. are to be turned off and kept in backpacks during the school day and while riding the school bus.

Media Center News

Click the link below to see our **AR Superstars** and **SSYRA Junior & SSYRA 3-5 readers!**

<https://www.pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/>

Cafeteria News

Please visit our Sea Turtle Café's website for information:

<https://www.pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/>

Download the ParentSquare app today!

Stay involved with your student's learning and activities at school. From anywhere.



ParentSquare





Parents/guardians are welcome to eat lunch with their student.

If someone other than the parent/guardian wants to have lunch with a student, the school must receive prior approval from a parent/guardian via email or phone call.

All visitors must be cleared in Raptor and sign in at the front desk.

PVPV: Lunch with an adult must occur at the **Turtle Terrace** or designated table in the hallway. Students must be signed out/in for lunch on the clipboard in the front office.

Rawlings: Lunch with an adult must occur **IN THE CAFETERIA** at the designated table. Visitors can meet the student IN THE CAFETERIA.

Friends/classmates must stay with the class.

Blessings in a Backpack is a program made available through generous donors which is designed to supplement student nutrient needs over the weekends. Children participating in this program will receive a bag consisting of non-perishable food every Friday. The bag will be given to the child in a discreet and caring manner through the school counselor's office. This program is offered to your child, if needed, throughout the school year at no cost to you.

Participation in the program will begin in **September**. If you would like for your child to participate in the program, please contact Heather Harrington, School Counselor, at Heather.Harrington@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Questions? Click here to access our School's Handbook



PVPV RAWLINGS Community Partners 2026-2027



Which school has the BEST, most INCREDIBLE, all around TURTLEY AWESOME PTO? We do!

There are many benefits to being a member of our Parent Teacher Organization, including but not limited to, meeting new families, staying informed, getting involved in our school, volunteer opportunities, special perks for school events, car magnet, and so much more!

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO JOIN OUR PTO.](#)

There are TWO spirit rocks at our school. For a reservation of \$35/day, congratulate your favorite student, wish them happy birthday, show appreciation to your favorite teacher, or just let everyone know how much you love PVPV/Rawlings!

[CLICK HERE TO RENT THE ROCK.](#)



ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Elementary Students

✓ Mark off each challenge as you complete it!

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
SET A GOAL: How many days do you want to show up this week? <i>(Spoiler: 5!)</i>	Give your teacher or a classmate a big "Good morning!" today.	Tell a friend one thing you like about coming to school.	What helps you get ready for school? PICK ONE THING to do tonight.	Celebrate your week! Give yourself a high five if you made it to school all week.
What is one thing that makes school a happy place for you? Share it with a teacher.	Smile or wave to someone you don't usually talk to.	Find someone who makes you smile at school and tell them!	Give someone a kind compliment today.	Shout out a classmate who came to school EVERY DAY THIS WEEK!
How many days have you been at school so far? Keep your streak going!	Ask your teacher: What is one thing I can do to make my morning easier?	DRAW IT! What is one thing that makes you excited to come to school?	Add a sticker to this box if you came to school today!	CHALLENGE CLASS CHALLENGE: Set a goal for next week!
LOOK BACK— what helped you make it to school this month?	SAY "THANK YOU" to someone who helped make school a good place for you.	What is something NEW you learned this month because you were here?	Draw your attendance star moment: <i>What was your favorite school day this month?</i>	FINAL DAY! What was your favorite part of the challenge? Tell a friend, family member, or teacher!



FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

QUICKLY AND EASILY SUBMIT A TIP

By accessing FortifyFL, students can provide a description of the threat, share pics and videos and optionally submit their contact information.

Anonymous or Non-Anonymous

You decide whether you want to include your name and contact information.

Convenient

Submitting a tip is quick and easy using our mobile app or website.

Include Photos and Video

You can also include photos or video with your tip report.

QUICKLY SEND TO AUTHORITIES

FortifyFL automatically routes your tip report to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



Your School Officials

The tip report goes to your local school officials when submitted.

Local Law Enforcement

Your local police department or sheriff office receive copies of your tips automatically.

State-Level Officials

State-level officials also have access to your tips to make sure proper steps are taken.

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

If an investigation finds that you knowingly submitted a false tip through FortifyFL, information on the device used will be provided to law enforcement, and you may be subject to criminal penalties. Otherwise, unless you choose to identify yourself when reporting, you will remain anonymous.

#FORTIFYFL
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ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT A.S.S.I.S.T. Program

Aid & Support for Students In Sudden Transition

Every Child Has the Right to an Education

The A.S.S.I.S.T. Program helps children and youth who may be experiencing homelessness or housing instability. Through the McKinney-Vento Act, eligible students receive support to help them stay connected to school and continue their education with as little disruption as possible.

SERVICES INCLUDE:



FREE BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Eligible students receive free school meals.



TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT

Eligible students receive transportation support to attend school, when appropriate.



SCHOOL OF ORIGIN

Eligible students have the right to remain at their school of origin when it is in their best interest.



COMMUNITY RESOURCE CONNECTIONS

Families are connected with helpful community resources and support services.

WHO MAY QUALIFY?

Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence may qualify. This may include families staying temporarily with others due to loss of housing, or living in a motel, shelter, vehicle, campground, or similar temporary situation.



CONTACT US

Jacey Ramirez
904-547-7589
Jacey.Ramirez@stjohns.k12.fl.us
A.S.S.I.S.T. Program
40 Orange Street
St. Augustine, FL 32084



LEARN MORE

Visit our website to learn more about the A.S.S.I.S.T. Program and available supports.

www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/homeless/



Scan to learn more

★ We're here to help. No family has to face homelessness alone.
Together, we can keep students learning and thriving.



Visiting Our School

An event or activity is scheduled at school or in the classroom and you want to attend...

I **have** completed the School Access form online.

OR

I **have NOT** completed the School Access form online.

OR

I am **unsure** if I have completed the School Access form online.

OR

Yes, I have signed in at the school before and received a yellow badge.

No, I have NOT signed in at the school before.

Complete the online form:

apps.raptortech.com/Apply/OTY00Tplbi1VUw==

Please allow two weeks for processing.

Call the school:

PVPV front desk
(904) 547-3820

Rawlings front desk
(904) 547-8570

You are cleared to attend.
Please bring your license or state issued ID to sign-in at the front desk.

Call the school to verify you are approved to enter prior to the event.

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You are cleared to attend.
Please bring your license or state issued ID to sign-in at the front desk.

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Scan the QR code below to complete the School Access Volunteer Application on your smartphone.



Please call Volunteer Services at (904) 547-3945 if you need assistance or have questions.