



# Week at the Creek

Week of December 6, 2021

Hawk families,

The generosity of our Hickory Creek families never ceases to amaze! I want to thank everyone that donated during our last Hickory Creek Food Drive. Please see below regarding how your donations impacted 18 of our families. Please reach out to Mrs. Yar at [Lara.Yar@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Lara.Yar@stjohns.k12.fl.us) if you would like more information on how you can sponsor a family during the holiday season.

As we begin a new month, we begin new adventures. Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade will go on their first field study since 2019! They will attend the Lion King performance at the St. Augustine Amphitheater. This production is being performed by students in the SJCCA at Murray Middle. Our students are excited!

I look forward to another great week at the creek!

*Mrs. Yvette Cubero-Gonzalez*



## December

- 12/7 PTO Spirit Night at Moe's
- 12/13-17 Holiday Shoppe\*
- 12/16 Holiday Lights Performance\*
- 12/21 EARLY RELEASE; Second Quarter Ends
- 12/22-31 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break

## January

- 1/1-1/4 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break
- 1/5 NO SCHOOL Teacher Planning Day
- 1/6 Classes Resume
- 1/12 PTO Spirit Night at Cold Stone Creamery
- 1/17 NO SCHOOL: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 1/19 Report Cards Issued

## Lunch Menu for Week of 12/6

*Breakfast is \$1.25, and lunch is \$2.80.*

### Monday 12/6

- Nacho Bites OR
- Chicken Nuggets

### Tuesday 12/7

- Pizza OR
- Mini corndogs

### Wednesday 12/8

- Mac and Cheese OR
- Chicken Nuggets

### Thursday 12/9

- Pasta and Meatballs OR
- Chicken Sandwich

### Friday 12/10

- Cheeseburger OR
- Chicken Nuggets

To all our families that celebrate Hanukkah:



# PTO NEWS

## PDQ Gift Cards Make a Great Holiday Gift!

Support our PTO and get your holiday shopping done! We're selling \$10 PDQ gift cards for \$7. Print this [form](#) and turn in your order into your child's teacher.

## Holiday Shop

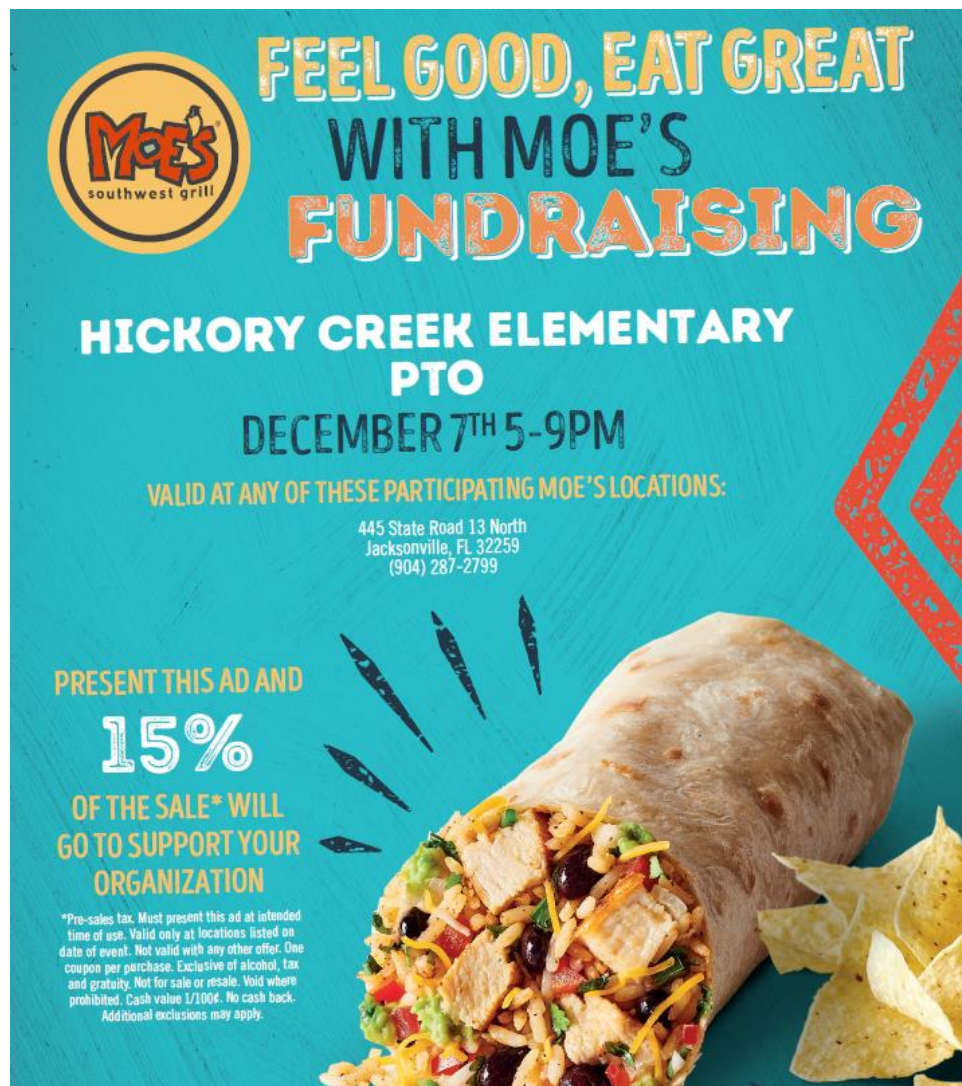
The Hickory Holiday Shop is December 13-17. This is a fun opportunity for students to shop for gifts for family and friends. Your child's teacher will let you know what day your class is scheduled to visit the shop. Most items sell for \$1-\$3.

## December PTO Meeting

Join us December 6 at 8:45 a.m. for our monthly PTO meeting. Grab a chair and meet us outside the front of the school. We'll discuss upcoming events for 2022.

## Moe's Southwest Grill Spirit Night

It's a busy time of year – so take December 7 off cooking and eat at Moe's on State Rd. 13. Buy dinner between 5:00-9:00 p.m. Be sure to tell them you're supporting Hickory Creek!



**FEEL GOOD, EAT GREAT  
WITH MOE'S  
FUNDRAISING**

**HICKORY CREEK ELEMENTARY  
PTO  
DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 5-9PM**

VALID AT ANY OF THESE PARTICIPATING MOE'S LOCATIONS:

445 State Road 13 North  
Jacksonville, FL 32259  
(904) 287-2799

PRESENT THIS AD AND  
**15%**  
OF THE SALE\* WILL  
GO TO SUPPORT YOUR  
ORGANIZATION

\*Pre-sales tax. Must present this ad at intended time of use. Valid only at locations listed on date of event. Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per purchase. Excludes alcohol, tax and gratuity. Not for sale or resale. Void where prohibited. Cash value 1/100¢. No cash back. Additional exclusions may apply.

The advertisement features a vibrant teal background with a large, appetizing burrito filled with chicken, rice, beans, and cheese, topped with a dollop of guacamole and served with a side of tortilla chips. The Moe's Southwest Grill logo is prominently displayed in the top left corner. The text is arranged in a clear, bold, and easy-to-read format, with the event details and the 15% discount offer being the most prominent elements.

# THANK YOU!

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to prepare 18 family boxes for the long holiday for our own HCE Hickory's Heart families! Each box includes cereal, stuffing, cake/cookie mix, gravy, potatoes, several canned vegetables, canned fruit, peanut butter and jelly, dry beans/peas, apples, oranges, bread, and more!



A special thank you to Shannon Oberholtzer, manager at Shoppes at Rivertown Publix, for personally donating \$10 gift cards. If you see Shannon while shopping, please let him know that he is appreciated. We combined his cards with cards donated by you, so each box contains a gift card.

We will prepare bigger boxes for the longer winter break, so watch for a (smaller) list of specific needs we still have as the time approaches.

Happy Holidays from Hickory's Heart! 

**HCE HOLIDAY SHOP**  
**DECEMBER 13TH-17TH**

**THIS IS A FUN OPPORTUNITY FOR KIDS TO SHOP FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.**

**ITEMS ARE PRICED FROM \$.25-\$6 WITH MOST ITEMS SELLING FOR \$1-\$3.**





**CALLING ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
CHEERLEADERS**

**TCHS IS HOSTING OUR  
INAUGURAL STUNT CLINIC**

Sign up at:

<https://forms.gle/K6VbBLbVKu7Lk94a6>

**CLINIC DATE & TIMES:**

**12/18/21**

**12:00 PM-3:00 PM**

\$50 per athlete, includes a t-shirt

Pay at the door with a check to Toco  
Creek Cheerleading or pay on SchoolPay

## UPDATED COVID-19 Information

On 9/22/2021, the Department of Health updated their emergency rule (64DER21-15) to include instruction student quarantines.

- 1. Student quarantines: (3)(a) Parents or legal guardians of students who are known to have been in direct contact with an individual who received a positive diagnostic test for COVID-19 may choose one of the following options:**
  - a. 1. Allow the student to attend school, school-sponsored activities, or be on school property, without restrictions or disparate treatment, *so long as the student remains asymptomatic*; or**
  - b. 2. Quarantine the student for a period of time not to exceed seven days from the date of last direct contact with an individual that is positive for COVID-19.**

If you choose to keep your child home to quarantine, please call the District COVID Support Team at 904-547-8230 to report your child on quarantine.



If you have health-related quarantine questions, we have set up a quarantine call line at 904-819-1101. For more information, please visit our school district's [COVID Information web page](#).

### Schoology Information

- This tool will house communication and instructional materials from your child's class.
- This tool will be used as an instructional resource for instructional access during quarantined periods (*if needed*).

[Click here](#) to watch the parent technology session. Schoology and Microsoft Office were discussed.

How to create a parent account:

- Get your Parent Access Code from Home Access Center (HAC).
- Go to [Schoology.com](https://www.schoology.com).
- Create your parent account.
- For help creating an account [click here](#).

Other links to help troubleshooting:

[Parent Log in](#)  
[How to link to your child's account](#)  
[District's Schoology page for parents](#)

### Absences

A [written note](#) is needed within 48 hours of returning to school stating the cause of the absence.

**Excused absences include personal illness, illness of an immediate family member, a death in the family, religious holidays of the student's established religious faith, required court or law agency appearances, public functions, state competitions, scheduled doctor or dentist appointments.**

For a complete list of excused and unexcused absences, refer to the [Student Code of Conduct](#)