



Week at the Creek

Week of February 21, 2022

Hawk Families,

Next Tuesday, February 22nd is Parent Night at Swiss Point Middle for Rising 6th graders. Please [RSVP](#) for this event. Fifth grade students attending Swiss Point Middle received course selection information. Please review the information with your child.

Throughout the next months, we will have a lot of opportunities for volunteers to come in our building to participate in centers, activities, field day, and performances. To participate in any activity, you must be a cleared volunteer. If you have not done so, please take a moment to apply for access [here](#). Please remember, if you are not a cleared volunteer, you cannot access our building or your student's classroom.

We continue to improve our morning drop off. Our PSO up front has changed and our traffic has improved. Please continue to make sure your child is ready to exit the vehicle quickly. Please pull all the way to the orange cone when dropping your student off. Please DO NOT park and walk your student to the sidewalk; this interrupts the flow of our traffic.

Looking forward to another Week at the Creek!

Mrs. Yvette Cubero-Gonzalez



February

2/21 NO SCHOOL: President's Day
2/22 Swiss Point Middle School Parent Night for Rising 6th graders (see flyer below)

March

3/1 SAC Meeting @ 4PM
3/4 PTO Meeting @ 8:45AM
3/4 Picture Day: Spring Individual Pictures
3/11 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Planning
3/14-3/18 NO SCHOOL: Spring Break
3/24-3/31 Scholastic Spring Book Fair
3/29 Report Cards Issued

April

4/5 FSA Writing – 4th and 5th graders
4/7-8 FSA ELA – 3rd graders

Lunch Menu for Week of 2/21

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

Monday 2/21

- NO SCHOOL

Tuesday 2/22

- Mini Corn Dogs OR
- Mac n Cheese

Wednesday 2/23

- Chicken Sandwich OR
- Cheese Sticks

Thursday 2/24

- Pizza

Friday 2/25

- Cheeseburger OR
- Hotdog

Please note: As we transition to our new food distributor, there may be unannounced menu changes.

Fifth Grade Families:

Our fifth graders are going to Sea World! Friday, May 27. Buses depart at 6:30AM. Please review the information that was sent home today.

The cost is \$75. The deadline is March 10, 2022. School Pay is available to make your payment.



PTO NEWS



Grandparents' Breakfast Volunteers needed

We need parents to help make our Grandparents' Breakfast a Success. If you can help, please sign up here:

[HCE Grandparents Day Breakfast 2022 Volunteers](#)

Grandparents Breakfast

The Hickory Creek PTO invites our grandparents to have breakfast with their grandchildren before school.

Grandparents must be approved volunteers. To be approved, complete the school access form:

<https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/>

March PTO Meeting

Due to school scheduling conflicts, the date for our March PTO meeting was moved from the date set at the start of the year. **Our next meeting will now be Friday, March 4 at 8:45 a.m.**

FROM OUR HEARTS TO YOURS

Hickory Creek Elementary PTO
invites you to a
GRANDPARENTS BREAKFAST

Students Last
Names A-I

Monday, March 7th
7:30 am- 8:30 am

Students Last
Names J-R

Tuesday, March 8th
7:30 am- 8:30 am

Students Last
Names S-Z

Wednesday, March 9th
7:30 am- 8:30 am

**Please RSVP NO LATER than
March 1st
by visiting HCEPTO.org**

Special Thanks to our Gold Sponsor:

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SAC Needs Assessment Survey

We are already planning for the 2022-2023 school year! Your input is needed. Please take a moment to complete the SAC Needs Assessment Survey. We use data from this survey to plan for school improvement.

Please visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/2p8km5m8>



Due to the recent “Parents’ Bill of Rights”, F. S. 1014.06 – Parental Consent for Health Care Services, parents must give written consent in order for their child to access health care while at school. If you have not done so yet, please complete the [Parent Consent for Health Care Services Form](#) now or read an [FAQ about this new legislation](#).



UPDATED COVID-19 Information

As we see an increase in COVID19 cases in our community, please review the SJCSD protocols found at <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/covid-19/>. In addition, please take time to review the [Student Health Screening Entry Form](#). Should your child have any of the symptoms listed, please consider keeping them home. We may see an increase in mask use, while not mandated, it is an option for our families and staff. We will respect each other's choice. If you are interested in desk shields for your child, please contact your child's teacher directly.

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.

With the increase in COVID-19 numbers and need to make sure we are timely with our communication, we are asking parents to use an online form to report a positive student and we will adjust how we communicate with you regarding a positive COVID-19 case on campus.

To notify us of your child's positive COVID-19 test result we are requesting that you complete the [Optional Positive Student Reporting Form](#). However, should you feel you need to discuss your child's COVID-19 scenario in detail, please feel free to bypass the form and call the [District COVID Support Team at 904-547-8230](#).



When we receive information regarding a positive student, we will communicate to **all** parents in the classroom that there has been a positive case in your child's class. In the past, we have only communicated to close contacts. By making this adjustment, we can notify parents faster and more efficiently.

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](#)



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The image shows a smartphone displaying the FortifyFL app interface, which includes buttons for 'Report a Tip', 'Call 911', 'My Tips', 'About', and 'Settings'. Logos for St. Johns County, Duval County, and the Florida Department of Education are also present.

TEAMWORK




ST JOHNS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
SHERIFF ROBERT A. HARDWICK
EIGHTEEN APPS PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

LIVE ME IS A LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO APP THAT USES GEOLOCATION TO SHARE VIDEOS SO USERS CAN FIND OUT A BROADCASTER'S EXACT LOCATION. USERS CAN EARN "COINS" AS A WAY TO "PAY" MINORS FOR PHOTOS.	BUMBLE IS SIMILAR TO THE POPULAR DATING APP "TINDER" HOWEVER, IT REQUIRES WOMEN TO MAKE THE FIRST CONTACT. KIDS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO USE BUMBLE TO CREATE FAKE ACCOUNTS AND FALSIFY THEIR AGE.
CALCULATOR% IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL SECRET APPS USED TO HIDE PHOTOS, VIDEOS, FILES, AND BROWSER HISTORY.	BADOO IS A DATING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING APP WHERE USERS CAN CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS, AND VIDEOS AND CONNECT BASED ON LOCATION. WHILE THE APP IS INTENDED FOR ADULTS ONLY, TEENS ARE KNOWN TO CREATE PROFILES.
HOLLA IS A SELF PROCLAIMED "ADDICTING" VIDEO CHAT APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO MEET PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD IN JUST SECONDS. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT, AND MORE.	GRINDR IS A DATING APP GEARED TOWARDS LGBTQ+ PEOPLE. THE APP GIVES USERS OPTIONS TO CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS, AND MEET UP BASED ON A SMART PHONE'S GPS LOCATION.
DISCORD IS AN APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO TALK TO FRIENDS AND STRANGERS IN REAL-TIME VIA VOICE, TEXT, OR VIDEO CHAT WHILE PLAYING VIDEO GAMES. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT, AND MORE.	SKOUT IS A LOCATION-BASED DATING APP AND WEBSITE. WHILE USERS UNDER 17 YEARS OLD ARE UNABLE TO SHARE PRIVATE PHOTOS, KIDS CAN EASILY CREATE AN ACCOUNT USING A DIFFERENT AGE.
ASK.FM IS KNOWN FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE APP ENCOURAGES USERS TO ALLOW ANONYMOUS PEOPLE TO ASK THEM QUESTIONS.	SNAPCHAT IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR APPS IN RECENT YEARS. WHILE THE APP PROMISES USERS CAN TAKE A PHOTO/VIDEO AND IT WILL DISAPPEAR, NEW FEATURES INCLUDING "STORIES" ALLOWS USERS TO VIEW CONTENT FOR UP TO 24 HOURS. SNAPCHAT ALSO ALLOWS USERS TO SEE YOUR LOCATION.
ROBLOX IS AN ONLINE GAMING PLATFORM WITH A CHAT FUNCTION. UNDERAGE USERS HAVE HAD ISSUES WITH SOLICITATION FROM SEXUAL PREDATORS.	HOT OR NOT ENCOURAGES USERS TO RATE YOUR PROFILE. CHECK OUT PEOPLE IN THEIR AREA, AND CHAT WITH STRANGERS. THE GOAL OF THIS APP IS TO HOOK UP.
WHATSAPP IS A POPULAR MESSAGING APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO SEND TEXTS, PHOTOS, VOICEMAILS, MAKE CALLS, AND VIDEO CHATS WORLDWIDE. WHATSAPP USES AN INTERNET CONNECTION ON SMARTPHONES AND COMPUTERS.	OMEGLE IS AN ONLINE CHAT SITE WHERE REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED. USERS ARE ABLE TO CHAT ANONYMOUSLY VIA VIDEO, PRIVATE CHATS, OR GROUP CHATS. CHILD PORNOGRAPHY HAS BEEN AN ISSUE ON THIS SITE.
KIK ALLOWS ANYONE TO CONTACT AND DIRECT MESSAGE YOUR CHILD. KIDS CAN BYPASS TRADITIONAL TEXT MESSAGING FEATURES. KIK GIVES USERS UNLIMITED ACCESS TO ANYONE, ANYWHERE, ANYTIME.	MEETME IS A DATING SOCIAL MEDIA APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE BASED ON GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY. AS THE APP'S NAME SUGGESTS, USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MEET EACH OTHER IN PERSON.
WHISPER IS AN ANONYMOUS SOCIAL NETWORK THAT PROMOTES SHARING SECRETS WITH STRANGERS. IT ALSO REVEALS A USER'S LOCATION SO PEOPLE CAN MEET UP.	TIKTOK IS A MOBILE DEVICE APP POPULAR WITH KIDS USED FOR CREATING AND SHARING SHORT VIDEOS. WITH VERY LIMITED PRIVACY CONTROLS, USERS ARE VERY VULNERABLE TO CYBER BULLYING AND EXPLICIT CONTENT.

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