



Week at the Creek

Week of March 21, 2022

Hawk Families,

I truly hope our families are enjoying their Spring Break! Some of our students shared their plans with me. We have families currently in Europe, Hawaii, Colorado, New York, and many other locations! Please take this moment to enjoy your time with your children.

We continue to plan for the 2022-2023 school year. If you have a student in Kindergarten-Fourth Grade, please take a moment to complete our [Parent Input Form](#). The information shared will be helpful in placing students next school year. Also, please take a moment to complete our [SAC Needs Assessment Survey](#). This survey is anonymous and will help the school plan for the next school year.

Looking forward to another Week at the Creek!

Mrs. Yvette Cubero-Gonzalez



March

3/21-3/29 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
4/13-14 Field Day
4/15 NO SCHOOL
4/18 NO SCHOOL
4/26 Interim Reports Issued
4/27 Character Cup @ Toco High School
4/29 4th and 5th Grade Glow Up FSA Dance*

Lunch Menu for Week of 3/21

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

Monday 3/21

- Chicken Nuggets OR
- Cool Box

Tuesday 3/22

- Mini Corn Dogs OR
- Mac and Cheese

Wednesday 3/23

- Chicken Sandwich OR
- Cheese Sticks

Thursday 3/24

- Pizza

Friday 3/25

- Cheeseburger OR
- Pasta and Meatballs

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

Town Hall Meeting

A Town Hall meeting will be held to discuss potential attendance zoning changes to balance attendance zones in the Northwest for the 2022-2023 school year and to create a new attendance zone for K-8 School NN.

The Town Hall meeting will take place as follows: Tuesday, March 22 at 6 p.m. in a virtual format on WebEx. Instructions to join the virtual town hall meeting will be posted on the [district's website](#). The public may also attend the Town Hall meeting at the St. Johns County School District Auditorium located at 40 Orange Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

A proposed zoning plan will be released at the Town Hall meeting, along with an opportunity for the public to provide comment. School Board members and district staff will be in attendance.



PTO NEWS



Royal Hawk Parking Spot Winners!

Congratulations to the final winners of the Royal Hawk Parking Spots for this school year. Heather Przekwas and Mary Harris get to skip the afternoon car line and park up front!

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Donations

Our PTO loves to give our staff gift cards from local businesses. We draw names during Staff Appreciation Week and give them to the winners. If your business can donate a gift card, please e-mail Kristen Diaz at hcepto05@yahoo.com

PTO Coffee and Doughnuts

Please join the Hickory Creek PTO for a casual and informative coffee and doughnuts. It is a great opportunity to learn more about the PTO, meet the Board members, talk about committees and the upcoming elections for the 2022-2023 PTO!

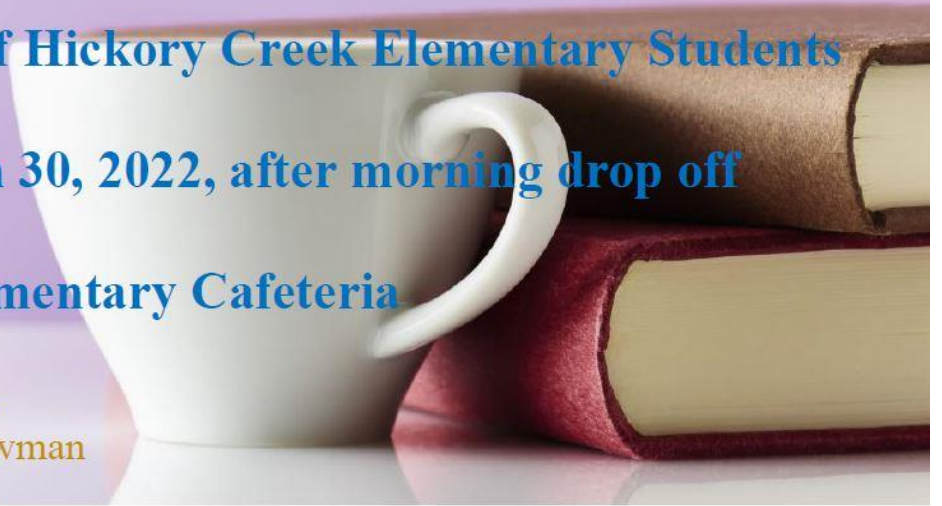
Principal Gonzalez will also be there to visit with the parents!

For ALL parents of Hickory Creek Elementary Students

Wednesday, March 30, 2022, after morning drop off

Hickory Creek Elementary Cafeteria

If you have any questions,
please email Kathleen Newman
katnewman6@gmail.com



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. **Survey closes on March 31, 2022.**

Please visit:

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





Spring BOOK FAIR

The Spring Book Fair will be at HCES March 21-March 29! We will have tons of books, school supplies, a \$.50 lollipop-pull, and a chance to win prizes. Parents are invited to visit the Fair on Wednesday, March 23 from 2:30 until 5:30. Students will bring home a Book Fair flyer, information about eWallet, and a note with their day to visit the fair.



(Note: This is a "round-up" fair. See the Book Fair homepage for more details.)

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/hickorycreekelemschool3>

UPDATED COVID-19 Information

As we see an increase in COVID19 cases in our community, please review the SJCS D 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 five 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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fldoe.org

The image shows a smartphone displaying the FortifyFL app interface with buttons for 'Report a Tip', 'Call 911', 'My Tips', 'About', and 'Settings'.

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 "ADULT-ONLY" 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.	OMGIE 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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