



Week at the Creek

October 14, 2024

Hawk families,

We hope that your family fared well during Hurricane Milton. We are happy to welcome our students back on Tuesday, October 15th!

Due to the five days of instructional time loss to Hurricanes Helene and Milton, the SJCS D will extend the first quarter by three days and postpone the release of report cards as stated below:

- End of Quarter- October 17
- Report Card Release- October 23

On, October 25th we will have our annual Hickory's Heart Food Drive. Please see page 2 for more information on how you can help!

Please make sure that you continue to visit our website for the most up-to-date information regarding our school:
<https://www-hce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>.

Spirit Day EVERY Friday!

Wear your HCE spirit wear



October

- 10/14 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Planning Day
- 10/16 PTO Sponsored: Donuts with Grownups 1st Grade
- 10/18 PTO Sponsored: Movie Night (NEW DATE)
- 10/23 Report Card Release
- 10/24 SJCS D Referendum Meeting @ 6PM in HCE
- 10/25 HCE Food Drive
- 10/25 PTO Sponsored: Parent/Daughter Dance
- 10/31 Storybook Character Day (see page 4)

November

- 11/1 PTO Sponsored: Tailgate Lunch for Staff
- 11/1 Chick Fil A Game Day Order Pick Up
- 11/5 SAC Meeting @ 4PM
- 11/11 NO SCHOOL: Veteran's Day
- 11/12 PTO Meeting @ 3:30PM
- 11/13 Fund Run

Lunch Menu for Week of 10/14

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

Monday

- NO SCHOOL

Tuesday

- Hot Dog
- Mac and Cheese
- Chicken Nuggets

Wednesday

- Grilled Cheese Sandwich
- BBQ Chicken Quesadilla
- Pepperoni Calzone

Thursday

- Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza
- Mini Corndogs

Friday

- Hamburger OR Cheeseburger
- Max Cheese Sticks



**PLEASE NOTE THAT STUDENTS MUST HAVE MONEY IN THEIR ACCOUNT TO PURCHASE PAPPA JOHNS.
Please check your student's balance weekly.*

HCE Lunch Visits

October Lunch Visits

Please note that there are NO photos or videotaping allowed in our cafeteria. Some students are on a do not photograph list. Please honor this request.

Please know that to participate you MUST be a cleared volunteer. If you have not had a chance to fill out our access form, please do so now at:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer> .

Please follow the directions on the HCE Lunch Visit sign up.

We look forward to your visit.

HELPING HCE FAMILIES IN NEED

HICKORY'S HEART

FOOD DRIVE

October 25th During Morning Drop-Off

Most Needed Items:

- Unexpired, Non-Perishable Items
- Rice
- Canned Fruits & Vegetables
- Oatmeal Packets
- Granola Bars
- SpaghettiOs
- Single Serving Bags of Cookies, Crackers, & Chips
- Ramen Noodles
- Stuffing Mix
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Cornbread Mix
- Cake Mix
- Soup
- Pasta
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Meat Sticks
- Mac-and-Cheese

Grocery Store Gift Cards Accepted



You may send in items **anytime** with your student in a bag or envelope labeled Hickory's Heart.

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Hickory Creek Elementary PTO Presents

An Enchanted Evening
Parent-Daughter Dance

A HOLLYWOOD RED CARPET EVENT

OCTOBER 25TH
5:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

HCE CAFETERIA



\$10 per person

PURCHASE BY 10/16 AT HCEPTO.ORG

Advance purchase of tickets required.



DJ
CONCESSIONS
PHOTOBOOTH
GREAT MEMORIES

*wear your
fancy
attire*



DISMISSAL CHANGES

DISMISSAL CHANGES are accepted until 2:00 p.m. (M, T, TH, F) and 1:00 p.m. (W).

EARLY CHECK-OUTS (for any reason) must be completed by 2:10 (M, T, TH, F) and 1:10 p.m. (W).

Your respect for our dismissal policy helps maintain safety and security as we complete attendance/check-out reports accurately before students prepare for and move to their dismissal stations. It is often very difficult to locate students or get them ready to leave early during the last minutes prior to dismissal bell. Teachers and students are completing lessons, packing up, or on the move to dismissal stations.

Please use the [Dismissal Change Form](#) found on the HCE website.

Story Book Character Day: PK-5

On Thursday, October 31st students are welcome to wear a costume based on a storybook character. The student MUST bring the book with them. Costumes may be store bought or homemade; get creative! All costumes MUST follow dress code. **NO MASKS or FULL-FACE PAINT ALLOWED.** Please note that students will still participate in recess and PE, costumes should be comfortable and appropriate for a full, active school day.



Veteran's Day Wall of Honor

HCE is honored to recognize Veterans and active military family members. Please use the template attached to the Week at the Creek email. Complete the template and send to your student's teacher. We will create a Wall of Honor in our main hallway.





Home Access Center

The Home Access Center (HAC) is a web-based application that is part of our Student Information System called eSchoolPlus.

Please visit the website below to access or sign up for an account:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/>.



This system provides parents and students with a daily summary page, schedule and attendance, discipline information, class work, test scores and course requests for all students in grades 3-5. This is also where families can access their student's interim report and report card. If you need assistance with your account, please contact our Computer Operator, Lizeth Antonetti.

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.

Unexcused absences include: shopping trips, pleasure trips, suspension from school, appointments without prior approval except in case of emergency, truancy, and other avoidable absences.

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

MEDIA CENTER CORNER

To access our SSYRA Books and Information 24-25: [SSYRA](#)

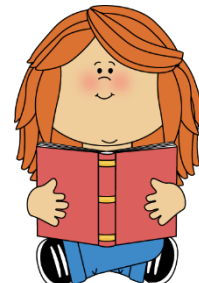
Search library catalog here:



Submit a purchase recommendation here:



Access Parental Choice Library Book Restriction Form** here:



***Parents may utilize this form to restrict titles their child may check out in the school library.*

Cell Phones and Other Wireless Devices*

Page 26 on [the Student Code of Conduct](#) states:

Students may possess cellular telephones and other wireless communication devices at school, on buses, and at school functions. However, **they must be turned off**, stored in student's backpack, purse, locker or vehicle. **The device shall not be used during the school day without administrative approval or on school buses to and from school.** Upon administrative approval, use is limited between classes and during lunch only. Students may not use a wireless communication device during instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher solely for educational purposes. Failure to comply may result in the device being confiscated. Repeated failure to comply will be considered defiance of school rules.



*Wireless devices include smart watches. All smart watches should be on Airplane Mode while on campus. Texting, making, or receiving calls, and/or recordings on a smart watch are not allowed. Failure to comply may result in the device being confiscated.

SCHOOL ACCESS

Please note, in order to sign-in to our lobby computer as a volunteer, you **MUST** be a cleared volunteer and you **MUST** have a driver's license. Please follow the directions posted on the computer to sign in.

Ruth, our receptionist, can also help.

Please visit our site regarding school access:

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





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GAME DAY CHICK-FIL-A

**PICK-UP
NOVEMBER 1ST**

Front Office: 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

\$40

64 chilled nuggets
Serves 8



Purchase at
HCEPTO.ORG/NUGGETS

Order by 10/28

