



# Week at the Creek

March 31, 2025

Hawks,

What an exciting week for our Hawks! Our Character Cup Team placed first overall at the annual SJCS D Character Cup! Our fourth and fifth grade students got to see Coach Mecke and Coach Mckay get Gatorade poured on them by our team!

Our Battle of the Books Team placed second in the SJCS D annual Battle of the Books: Northside! Our young readers read all SSYRA 15 books, more than once, to prepare for the battle. If your student is interested in reading some of the titles, please visit the [Media Center](#) page on our website.

Up next is Jungle Book, Kids. Our actors will perform on April 9, 10, and 11. Tickets will go on sale to the public on Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Do not wait to purchase your tickets as our musicals always sell out!

Looking forward to another great Week at the Creek!

Spirit Day EVERY Friday!

Wear your HCE spirit wear



## April

- 4/1 SAC Monthly Meeting @ 4:00PM
- 4/2 PTO Sponsored: Donuts w/ Grownups 5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 4/8 PTO Monthly Meeting @ 3:30PM
- 4/9-11 Jungle Book. Kids @ 6:30PM
- 4/18 NO SCHOOL: Teacher/Student Holiday
- 4/23 Interim Reports

## May

- 5/5/-5/9 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/6 SAC Monthly Meeting @ 4:00PM
- 5/13 PTO Monthly Meeting @ 3:30PM
- 5/26 NO SCHOOL: Memorial Day
- 5/30 Fourth Quarter Ends
- 5/30 Last Day of School/Early Release

## Lunch Menu for Week of 3/31

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

### Monday

- Chicken Nuggets
- Philly Steak Sandwich
- Papa Johns

### Tuesday

- Mini Corn Dogs
- Mac and Cheese

### Wednesday

- Grilled Cheese
- BBQ Chicken Quesadilla

### Thursday

- Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza
- Hot Dog
- Chili Dog

### Friday

- Hamburger
- Cheeseburger
- Max Cheese Sticks



## HCE Lunch Visits

### April 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 sign up. We look forward to your visit.



## ***Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Character Cup Team!***

The Character Counts Cup has returned back to Hickory Creek! A huge congratulations to our athletes for taking **1st Place** overall! Big thank you to Coach Mecke and Coach McKay for all their leadership and support!

## ***Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Battle of the Books Team!***

Congratulations to our *Battle of the Books* participants who just took **SECOND PLACE**, missing first by just **ONE** point, in the entire district! Big THANK YOU to Mrs. Espinoza and Mrs. Herbst for all of their support with our team.





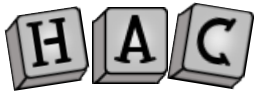
# DISMISSAL CHANGES

**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.



## 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](#).

# FIFTH GRADE

*Donuts with Grown-ups*



**APRIL 2ND | 7:30AM - 8:25AM**  
**HCE CAFETERIA**

Register by 3/26 at: [bit.ly/DonutsFifthGrade](https://bit.ly/DonutsFifthGrade)

# MEDIA CENTER CORNER

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

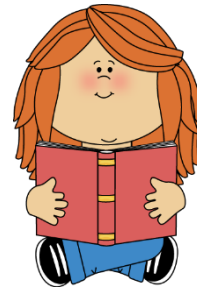
Search library catalog here:



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/>

