



Week at the Creek

March 9, 2026

Hawk Families,

We concluded this week with our Night of the Arts. Thank you to all the families that attended our annual event! Special thanks to our PTO for the ice cream. This event is planned by our incredible related arts team: Mrs. Espinoza, Mr. Woodbine, Ms. Bryant, Coach Mecke, and Coach Ryan and is an event families always look forward to!

Our HCE families have raised over \$16,000! PTO raises this money to support school programs, student enrichment, and campus improvements. We have received donations from 24 out of 50 states...Alaska included! We would love to get a donation from each state! Keep going! Rumor has it that Bowser does not think our families will reach \$20,000...let's prove him wrong!

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



March

- 3/10 SUPER Fun Run (Schedule on page 2)
- 3/10 PTO Monthly Meeting @ 3:30PM
- 3/12 Third Quarter Ends
- 3/13 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Planning Day
- 3/16-3/20 NO SCHOOL: Spring Break
- 3/26 Report Cards Issued
- 3/26 Spring Portraits
- 3/27 Character Counts Celebration: Trustworthiness

April

- 4/2 World Autism Awareness Day: Wear Blue
- 4/3 NO SCHOOL: Teacher/Student Holiday
- 4/7 Month of Military Child Awareness: Wear Purple
- 4/7 SAC Meeting @ 4PM
- 4/8, 4/9, 4/10 Dare to Dream, Jr.
- 4/14 PTO Monthly Meeting @ 8:30AM
- 4/14 Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast @ 9:00AM
- 4/24 Character Counts Celebration: All Pillars
- 4/28 Interim Reports Issued

Lunch Menu for Week of 3/9

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

Monday

- Chicken Slider Biscuit
- French Toast
- Papa Johns Pizza*

Tuesday

- Penne Pasta w/Meatballs
- Penne Pasta w/Marinera
- Pepperoni Calzone

Wednesday

- Chicken Sandwich
- Chicken Nuggets

Thursday

- Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza
- Hot Dog

Friday

- NO SCHOOL



*To purchase a la cart items, your student MUST have a positive lunch account.

HCE Lunch Visits

March 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 follow the directions on the HCE Lunch Visit sign up on the link above. Younger siblings should not attend.

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/>.

We look forward to your visit.

Level UP OUR SCHOOLS!

LEVEL UP!

SUPER FUND RUN

HICKORY CREEK ELEMENTARY

Registration now open!

START

Scan the QR code to Register: You'll be prompted to register or log in to your parent dashboard. It takes just minutes and can be done from your phone!

Unable to scan? Visit: www.getmovinfundhub.com
Enter School Identifier 5d4af43ea6a7e

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Let's Level Up for HCE!

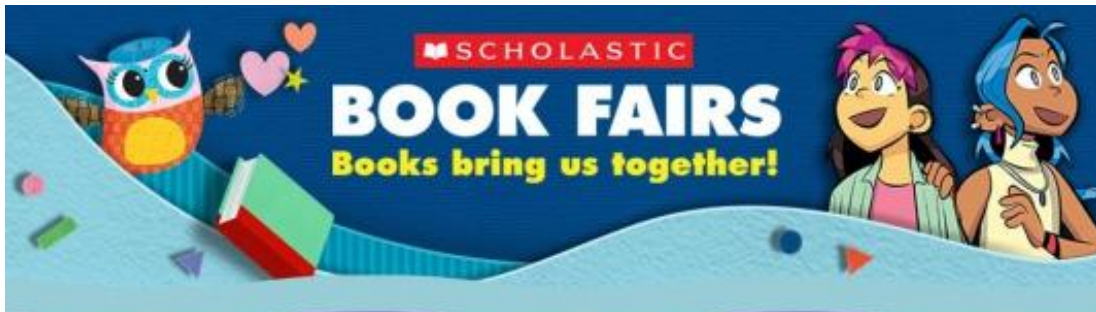
Help us raise funds for school programs, student enrichment, and campus improvements.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Fund Run Location: Baseball Fields

Schedule:

- 8:45-9:15 Fifth Grade and Mrs. Standley
- 9:30-10:00 Third Grade
- 10:15-10:45 Fourth Grade
- 11:00-11:30 Second Grade and
- 11:45-12:15 PK
- 12:30-1:00 First Grade and Mr. Ahr
- 1:15-1:45 Kindergarten



Our
CASH-FREE
Book Fair is Coming!



**Tuesday, March 3 through
Tuesday, March 10**

Family Shopping at **Night of the Arts** on March 6th



Payment accepted: Credit Card, Apple Pay, Checks, e-Wallet

**E-Wallet &
Volunteer Info
found here**



<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/hickorycreekelemschool>

2025-26 Hickory Creek Parent SAC Survey



Please take a moment to complete our SAC Needs Assessment Survey. Data from this survey is used to plan for school improvements. We would love to hear from our parents! We welcome positive feedback and items where improvement is needed. Please use the QR code or [click here](#) for the survey.

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 iPads to sign in.

Please visit our site regarding school access: <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>



MEDIA CENTER CORNER

To access our SSYRA Books and Information 25-26: [SSYRA](#)

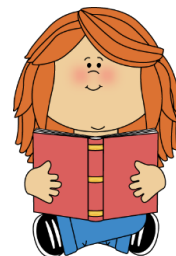
Search library catalog here:



View Instructional Materials 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.*

Absences Excusals

NOW ON PARENTSQUARE

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](#).

Birthday Celebrations at Hickory Creek Elementary

We constantly monitor allergy needs and concerns throughout our building. We LOVE celebrating our students, but to ensure the safety and well-being of all, food items to celebrate birthdays will not be allowed effective January 5, 2026. We encourage non-food items such as small party favors, bookmarks, pencils, etc. If a food item is sent in, we will hold it in the front office for pick up. Please reach out to your child's teacher for additional ideas on how to celebrate your child's birthday at school! The safety and health of all students is a priority.



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 and ParentSquare.



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/>.

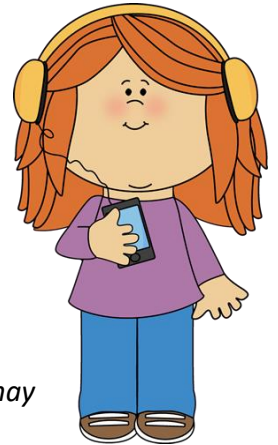


This system provides parents and students with a daily summary page, schedule and attendance, discipline information, class work, test scores and course requests for all students in grades 3-5. This is also where families can access their student's interim report and report card. If you need assistance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

Cell Phones and Other Wireless Devices*

Pages 25-26 of the [Student Code of Conduct](#) state-

Students are permitted to possess cellular phones and other wireless communication devices on school grounds, school buses, and at school-sponsored events. However, all devices must remain powered off and securely stored in a student's backpack, purse, locker, or vehicle during the school day. In accordance with House Bill 1105, the use of wireless communication devices by elementary and middle school students is strictly prohibited during the school day. *Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the confiscation of the device. Repeated violations will be treated as defiance of school rules and may lead to disciplinary consequences.*



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