

THE LION LINE

Learn the True, Do the Good, Love the Beautiful

A Message from Headmaster Johnson

Dear Parents,

What a great start to the new school year! The Back-to-School Bash and Orientation were such a success thanks to our wonderful teachers and parent volunteers. The Boo Hoo Breakfast for our Kindergarten parents was a real tear-jerker, and our Senior scholars were Kings and Queens for a day! Also, another successful Art Shower is in the books, and we kicked off the 1776 Promise Campaign. So now, it's REALLY time to get to work!

I wouldn't say that we have a "busy" school year ahead, I would just say that it is a "full" school year, full of fun, excitement, and many opportunities for both scholars and parents alike. Our Second Annual Constitution Day Celebration on Friday, September 16th is a tremendous opportunity for our school to show the community the heartbeat of an American Classical school, as well as for all of us to grow in our knowledge and appreciation for the Constitution of the United States.

During that day, mainly due to limited parking and limited space in the cafeteria, we will hold scholar-only assemblies, celebrating the Constitution in dynamic ways. That evening at 6:00 will be an opportunity for parents and faculty to mix in a social setting and listen to a lecture on the value of the Constitution by an accomplished guest. You won't want to miss it, and yes, you may invite adult friends who would be interested in joining you. Scholars will not be allowed to attend the evening session due to limited space. Childcare will be provided. Look out for more details soon.

Finally, if you haven't read over the 1776 Promise Campaign material, please do so now. Just click this link, view the video, and follow the instructions. <https://lionscouncil.org/the-1776-promise/>

Lion Strong!

Mr. Johnson

[Join the 1776 Campaign to support our teachers.](#)



St. Johns Classical Academy 2022-2023 Scholar Calendar

Tuesday, August 2, 2022
 Thursday, August 4, 2022
 Wednesday, August 10, 2022
 Monday, September 5, 2022
 Friday, October 14, 2022
 Monday, October 17, 2022
 Friday, November 11, 2022
 Monday, November 21 thru Friday, November 25, 2022
 Wednesday, December 21, 2022

Thursday, December 22, 2022- January 3, 2023
 Wednesday, January 4, 2023
 Thursday, January 5, 2023
 Monday, January 16, 2023
 Friday, January 27, 2023
 Monday, February 20, 2023
 Friday, March 10, 2023
 Monday, March 13 - March 17, 2023
 Monday, March 20, 2023
 Tuesday, March 21, 2023
 Friday, March 31, 2023
 Friday, April 7, 2023
 Friday, May 26, 2023
 Monday, May 29, 2023

First Day, Teacher
 Inservice Day
 First Day, Students
 Labor Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
 End First Grading Period (47 days)
 Planning Day/Student Holiday
 Veterans' Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
 Thanksgiving, Student/Teacher Holidays
 End Second Grading Period (41 days)
 Christmas/New Year's Break, Student/Teacher Holidays
 Planning Day/Student Holiday
 Students Return to School
 Martin Luther King Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
 3rd Annual Winter Dinner - Early Release Day
 Presidents' Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
 End Third Grading Period (45 days)
 Spring Break, Student/Teacher Holidays
 Planning Day, Student Holiday
 Students Return to School
 Fair Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
 Good Friday, Student/Teacher Holiday
 Last Day, Students (4th Grading Period - 47 days)
 Memorial Day (Observed)

GRADUATION: Friday, May 19, 2023

Early Dismissal Days

Upper School Dismissal: 10:45 a.m.
Lower School Dismissal: 11:15 a.m.
 December 19, 20 & 21, 2022
 January 27, 2023 (Winter Dinner)
 May 24, 25 & 26, 2023

Please Note
 September 16
 is NOT a
 ½ day.

Report Cards To Parents

Available through the ParentVue Account
 Friday, October 21, 2022
 Tuesday, January 10, 2023
 Friday, March 24, 2023
 Friday, June 2, 2023

School Office Hours (School Days Only)

M T T H F 7:15 a.m. - 3:25 p.m.
 Wednesdays 7:15 a.m. - 1:25 p.m.

Regular Scholar Hours

Upper School
 M T T H F 7:30 a.m. - 2:28 p.m.
 Wednesdays 7:30 a.m. - 12:27 p.m.
Lower School
 M T T H F 8:00 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.
 Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:55 p.m.



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Looking Ahead

09/05 Labor Day (No School)	09/06 Grades 6-8 Open House 6:00 p.m.	09/08 Grades 9-12 College Night & Open House 6:00 p.m.	09/12 Grades K-1 Open House 6:00 p.m.	09/13 Grades 2-3 Open House 6:00 p.m.
09/15 Red, White & Blue *Spirit Day for \$2 <small>*Not included in yearly pre-payments.</small>	09/15 Grades 4-5 Open House 6:00 p.m.	09/16 Constitution Day See the flyer in this edition of The Lion Line	09/19 Lions Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	09/22 Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 p.m.
09/29 National Honor Society Induction Ceremony 6:00 p.m.	09/30 Spirit Day \$2	10/03 Lions Council Bi-Annual General Members Meeting 6:00 p.m.	10/05 School Picture Day	10/07 Pumpkin Party Fundraiser 3:30 p.m.
10/08 Homecoming Dance for Grades 9-12 7:30 p.m.	10/14 Movie Night on the Lawn 5:30 p.m.	10/17 Teacher Planning Day (No School) 3rd Annual Golf Tournament	10/20 Educator Recruitment Night 5:30 p.m.	10/26 Classical Storybook Character Parade
10/27 Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 p.m.	10/28 Spirit Day \$2	10/28 Trunk or Treat 4:00 p.m.		

Flu Clinic & State Health Screenings



Flu Clinic will be Sept 23rd. Please turn in consents by September 16th to take advantage of free flu shots at school.

HEALTH SCREENINGS



State Mandated Health Screenings for all Kindergarten, First, Third, and Sixth grade scholars will be on September 29th and 30th. We assess hearing and vision only for kindergarten. First-3rd requires assessment of height, weight, and BMI. For sixth grade, we will also check for scoliosis. A copy of the health screenings template will be going out in Tuesday folders soon. If you would like to

opt out of these screenings for your scholar or have any questions, please send in a written note with your child or email to healthroom@stjca.org.

Hillsdale's Liberty and Learning Youth Conference

Three of SJCA's Upper School scholars, Jack McGinn, Robert "Jack" Andrews, and Abigail Andrews, went to Hillsdale College this summer to participate in the Liberty and Learning Youth Conference. They spent three days at Hillsdale studying the Constitution, Declaration of Independence, and the 2nd amendment. They were also able to spend a day at the Shooting Sports Education Center on the Hillsdale Campus learning to shoot shotguns, air pistols and practice archery. What a wonderful opportunity for our scholars!



Situational Awareness by SJCA's Safety Team



“Get your head up!” According to retired US Air Marshall, Gary Quesenberry, this is one of the most important things you can do to keep yourself safe. Situational Awareness refers to being aware of your surroundings, and when your head is buried in your phone you are likely to become the victim of an uncomfortable encounter. The SJCA Safety Team recommends Mr. Quesenberry’s book series “Spotting Danger Before It Spots You”, “Spotting Danger Before It Spots Your Kids”, and “Spotting Danger Before It Spots Your Teens”. These books are a quick read with practical exercises to practice after each chapter. We also recommend the podcast “Stop The Killing” with former head of the FBI Active Shooter Program, Katherine Schweit. Each episode Covers an active shooter event, breaking down all the details. But what we like about this is, they discuss the “red flags” that family and friends should have picked up on. It teaches us what to look for and how to report concerning behaviors. The teachers and staff at SJCA are trained to stop and question any visitor on campus that is not wearing a badge, indicating they have checked in at Reception. Besides educating your scholars, safety is of the utmost importance to everyone on campus. September is Situational Awareness month, so “keep your head on a swivel” and check out these recommendations. Stay Safe!

New Club: Safety Teens

Highschool scholars, do you like to help others? Are you interested in learning about first responder careers?

Join Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Rogish to learn about the Safety Teens. Our first meeting will be held in Mr. Ross's room on Sept. 8th from 3:30-4:00.

Parents, if you work in the Safety industry (MIL, LEO, EMT, etc.) and would be interested in being a guest speaker, please contact us! (karla.hines@stjca.org or stephanie.rogish@stjca.org)

Interact Club News



The SJCA Interact Club collected thousands of pop tops last school year to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. Our donation of pop tops will support their mission of helping families with sick children at local hospitals. Mrs. Livesay and her family delivered the pop tops to the Ronald McDonald House in Jacksonville. The director was very appreciative and very excited about our school's donation. They had never received such a large donation from a school before ours. Way to go Lions! Thank you for 'Doing the Good". Interact would love for your family to start collecting your pop tops at home and we will officially begin our 2023 fundraiser in January. Let's beat last year's numbers!

Upper School Creative Writing Club

The Upper School Creative Writing Club is open to all scholars in 7th-12th grades. We'll meet every Wednesday from 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m., starting August 24th. Meetings will be held in Mrs. Glod's room, 202. Please bring a lined journal. For questions, email ellen.glod@stjca.org.



ACADEMIC ADVISING

Google Classroom Code: labz47d

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

St. Johns Classical Academy

College Informational Night

Fall Informational Night
September 8, 2022
High School Open House to Follow

Spring Informational Night
February 9, 2023

9th - 12th Grade Scholars
6:00 PM
SJCA Cafeteria

High School EOC & FSA Make Up Dates				
September				
12	13	14	15	16
	CLT8 7th & 8th	10th ELA FSA Day 1	10th ELA FSA Day 2	Constitution Day
19	20	21	22	23
Algebra 1 EOC Day 1	Algebra 1 EOC Day 2	Geometry EOC Day 1	Geometry EOC Day 2	Biology EOC U.S. History EOC
26	27	28	29	30
Make-up EOC & FSA Testing (as Needed)	CLT10 9th & 10th	Make-up EOC & FSA Testing (as Needed)		

If your scholar did not pass the Algebra 1, Geometry, or Biology EOC's, we strongly recommend after-school tutoring.

ALGEBRA 1

Wednesdays & Fridays
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Room 205

BIOLOGY

Wednesdays
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Room 208

GEOMETRY

Tuesdays & Thursdays
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Room 205

EOC Tutoring

Please contact Mrs. Kacsan (amanda.kacsan@stjca.org) with Math Tutoring Questions

Please Contact Mr. Coleman (john.coleman@stjca.org) with Science Tutoring Questions

St. Johns Classical Academy
2nd Annual
**CONSTITUTION DAY
CELEBRATION**
Guest Lecture Event

Friday September 16, 2022

Please join us for a wonderful evening together as faculty, parents, and community leaders socialize and enjoy an inspiring lecture on the importance of the Constitution by President John Thrasher, 15th President, Florida State University.

Food & Drink
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Guest Lecture
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

No cost to attend, however, optional childcare will be provided as a fundraiser by National Honor Society and Interact Club.

For details and to RSVP visit Lionscouncil.org.

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The Lions Council

St. Johns Classical Academy’s mission is to build intelligent, virtuous American citizens. With your commitment you create a community where administrators, faculty and staff can do their best work and provide support for our scholars inside and outside of the classroom by providing the resources they need.

The Lions Council is a 501(c)(3) stewardship organization intended to engage parents in support of the Headmaster, the faculty, and the administration in carrying out the mission of the academy. Its objectives include:

- Educating parents and the community about the academy and the differences between it and ordinary public school
- Encouraging family and friends of St. Johns Classical Academy to show their support through volunteering and donations

Meet like-minded individuals who share your concerns. We all have a common bond. We care about creating the best possible educational experience for our scholars. We are neighbors and peers who share many of the same experiences. We are working with our families and community to create a stronger connection to SJCA, our virtues, our mission and our vision. Research shows that building parent and community involvement in education helps to create a great school.

If you are interested in becoming part of The Lions Council please click [here](#).

Art Shower

27 pieces purchased

Thank you to those that purchased artwork. As scholars pass through the halls, these art selections will imprint on their souls and serve as examples of what is beautiful. We hope to have the new artwork hung mid-semester.




The Lions Council

PIZZA SPIRIT NIGHT

St. Johns Classical Academy

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH | ALL DAY

15% of all proceeds go to St. Johns Classical Academy

Don't forget to mention St. Johns Classical Academy at the register!



1524 CR220 SUITE 4, FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003



Families, Faculty, Fans, Friends & Neighbors

Join us for a FUN-raiser



YOUR PIE

FLEMING ISLAND

Tuesday, September 20th, Wednesday, September 21st & Thursday, September 22nd

11 am to 9 pm

-Dine In or Take Out -

Eat at **YOUR PIE Fleming Island** (pizza, pasta, salads & gelato) and they will donate 10% of sales from our guests - dine in or takeout - to our school's Lion Circle. Look for Celebrity Gelato Scoopers from our school during dinner each night too!

f YOUR PIE Fleming Island

1545 County Road 220, Suite 125
904.375.9771 • In Winn Dixie Shopping Center



September 2022

SJCA Lions Athletics

Golf



Golf is preparing for their first matches against Bishop Snyder High School.

Girls Volleyball



Girls volleyball had their first match against Bradfrd High School.

Congratulations

Congratulations to all of our scholars that made the fall athletic teams!

A parent was interested in coaching our weightlifting teams this school year but did not leave contact information. Please reach out to Mrs. Flannagan at kayla.flannagan@stjca.org.



Up Coming Events

8/26/22

Back-to-School Photo Shoot

If you are interested in volunteering for the above events, email kayla.flannagan@stjca.org

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Cheerleading



The cheerleaders opened up their cheering season with a practice on the beach.



Cross Country

The cross county team has started preparing for their first cross county meet at Cecil Field.

Swimming

The Boys & Girls Swim Team is working hard to prepare for their first meet.





2022

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

10.17.2022

 Fleming Island Golf Course
2260 Town Center Blvd.



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Classes start on August 31st



Have questions?
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call June at 352-514-1362 or
email @ jjbug@hotmail.com

Lower School Open House



K - 1st	September 12, 2022	6:00 PM
2nd - 3rd	September 13, 2022	to
4th - 5th	September 15, 2022	7:00 PM

This is an opportunity to visit your scholar's classroom and meet their teacher. Please be advised, this is not a night for a parent/teacher conference.

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6th - 8th Open House September 6, 2022	9th - 12th Open House September 8, 2022
6:00 PM SJCA Cafeteria Open Remarks Open House to Follow	6:00 PM College Informational Night 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Open House

This is an opportunity to visit your scholar's classroom and meet their teacher. Please be advised, this is not a night for a parent/teacher conference.

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St. Johns Classical Academy Fine Arts Dept. Fall Semester 2022 Calendar

Jazzmatazz! Concert (LS Chorus)	Dec. 6th
Much Ado About Nothing (US Drama)	Dec. 8th/9th
Winter Cabaret (US Musical Theatre I)	Dec. 12th
Traditions of Christmas (LS Grades K-3)	Dec. 14th
Christmas Band Concert (US Beginning, Symphonic, & Jazz)	Dec. 15th
Winter Choral Concert (US Chorus)	Dec. 16th

Performances begin at 6 PM; doors open at 5:30PM. US/LS refers to upper school or lower school. For information about SJCA's Art, Drama, & Music classes and extracurricular offerings, please contact our Fine Arts faculty by email.

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Upper School Musical Theatre



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Upper School Music/Art History

Shanon.Rice@stjca.org
Lower School Art

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Upper School Art

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**SJCA Fall Sports
T-Shirts Sales
Fundraiser**

<https://strykercustomdesigns.com/shop/ols/products>

This year's Fall sports teams are having a t-shirt sale fundraiser to purchase equipment for their teams. If you are interested in purchasing these items, please go to the link above where you will find these designs and more.

MOVIE NIGHT
Friday October 14th
6pm-9:30pm
\$5 per ticket or
\$20 Family pack

FACE PAINTING,
FOOD TRUCKS,
MUSIC & MORE!

Hosted by Lions Athletics Booster

Mandatory Parent Meeting (6th – 12th Grade)
 For parents of all players trying out for the team

Wednesday, 9/21/2022 | 6:00-7:00PM | School Cafeteria

Conditioning (Voluntary):
 Starting – **September 19th**
On Mondays and Thursdays
3:30-5:00PM
 (Excluding 9/22 and 10/10)
School Field

Tryouts:
October 17th -18th
3:30-5:00PM
School Field

GIRLS SOCCER CONDITIONING

6th – 12th Grade Girls

Ready for Girls Soccer Tryouts?

Join us for conditioning designed to prepare you for the season!

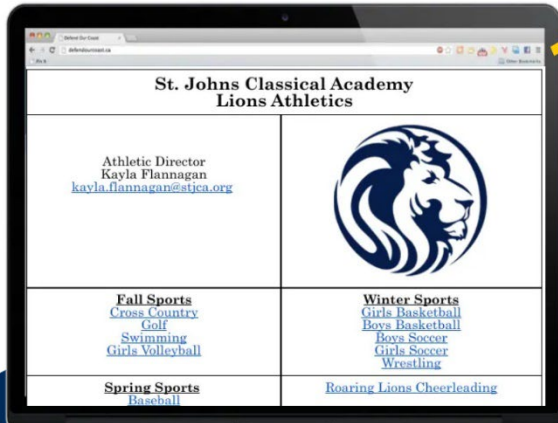
Activities will include speed, endurance, agility, burst, core, and body-weight strength training.

Please bring a full water bottle, athletic shoes, and athletic clothes to participate.

Location: SJCA Field	
Time: 3:30 - 5:00PM	
<u>Monday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
9/19	9/29
9/26	10/6
10/3	10/13
<i>No Conditioning on 9/22 or 10/10</i>	



Our new website
is **now online**



Stay up to date on all the athletics game schedules, tryout dates & times, practice dates & times, coaches information, and to purchase tickets to all home games.

visit us at
www.stjca.org/athletics

GIRLS BASKETBALL CLUB

Date: Mondays
September 12th - October 17th
February 6th - May 15th
Time: 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
Location: SJCA Basketball Court
Grades: 5th - 12th
Price: \$25 per scholar

Sign up on gofan.com or use the QR code.



QR Code to Sign- Up

Have You Heard?



Tune in weekly to hear directly from Headmaster Johnson on our brand-new podcast. He discusses a variety of timely topics with different stakeholders. There are currently four podcasts available. Be sure to turn on notifications to listen each week on Spotify, Amazon, or Google Podcasts. This way, you will be alerted each time a new podcast is posted on Tuesdays. We are also working to get the St. Johns Classical Academy Podcast on Apple Podcasts and will let you know once it is available there. In the meantime, you can listen to all of them by simply clicking this link: <https://sjcapodcast.buzzsprout.com>.

SJCA's Scholar Services Team is Here for You

The Student Services Department would like to introduce ourselves. We are here to help if you have concerns about your student's academic needs at SJCA.

- Jan.Clifton@stjca.org for paperwork, meetings
- Dawn.Romer@stjca.org for K-5th support services
- Angela.livesay@stjca.org for 504s and 6th and 7th support services
- Sally.McGinn@stjca.org for 8-12th support services
- Rachel.Freeman@stjca.org AND Dawn.Romer@stjca.org for MTSS
- Annie.Messer@stjca.org for Speech and Language
- Stephanie.bywater@stjca.org for Occupational Therapy
- Rachel.freeman@stjca.org for MTSS paperwork, request meeting
- Tammi.luke@stjca.org for Gifted Studies

SJCA Run/Walk Club

Thursdays from 3:30-4:15

October 6th– April 27th

Kindergarten through 8th grade

\$10 per family

Exercising and socializing in a fun,
encouraging and safe environment

K-2nd grade students must have a
parent present

For more information and to register

[Run/Walk Registration Form](#)

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