
THE LION LINE

Learn the True, Do the Good, Love the Beautiful

A Note from Headmaster Johnson

Dear Parents,

It is so nice to have our scholars back on campus once again. There is an unbelievable air of excitement among scholars and teachers alike. Yes, the first week was exhausting to us all, but we are slowly getting back into a routine. As I reflect on the first week, I would like to share some insights.

First of all, this is a great school! What we are doing here is exceptional, but it shouldn't be. Walking through the classrooms and cafeteria, I cannot help but think that I am transported back in time when what we are doing was the norm in education. We are all part of a movement to bring education back to where it should be before a few teacher colleges derailed public education in the early 20th century. I am honored to be a part of SJCA!

Another observation is that our scholars and their families are first class. As I walk around talking to our scholars, I am impressed with their virtuous attitudes and behavior. This mostly comes from good homes and parents who really care. What you are teaching at home matters. Together, we will raise a generation of virtuous leaders so desperately needed for the survival of our nation.

Finally, a shout out to our top-notch teachers, who are the absolute best on the planet. As I conducted some informal walk-throughs, I witnessed teachers not only going over basic first-week procedures, but teaching content-rich lessons as well. Even our kindergartners were learning rhymes (which I am sure they repeated to you in the car on the ride home)! And, by the way, get used to it. If you are new to the school, I guarantee that your children will fill your ears with what they are learning all the way home on a daily basis.

Thank you for trusting us with your scholars. I look forward to a great year ahead!

Sincerely,
Mr. Johnson



Primary Grade Lunches

Thank you to all the kindergarten parents who have been packing lunches in Bento boxes. Kindergarten lunches have gone smoothly so far because the scholars are able to access their food independently. If you have a first or second grader, please utilize Bento boxes that are easy to open without adult assistance. The Academy wants to reduce the spread of germs by eliminating the need for cafeteria staff to touch your scholars' food containers. Additionally, please make sure your scholar brings a water bottle to school. Multiple automatic water bottle filling stations have been installed across campus.



Lower School Chorus

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Chorus will be held outside every other Monday this year. There will be two choruses offered—one for Kindergarten through 2nd grade and another for 3rd grade through 6th grade. During rehearsals, your scholar will learn different techniques to build a strong voice, deep connections, and confidence to showcase themselves. In order to raise money for the SJCA Music Program, there will be a small fee of \$15 per scholar. This fee will pay for music and accompaniment fees. Feel free to send your scholar to the first rehearsal to see if this is the right fit for them.

K-2nd Grade Chorus

Rehearsal Times: 3:30-4:30

Rehearsals: 09/14, 09/28, 10/12, 10/26, 11/09, 11/30

Winter Concert: December 10th

3rd-6th Grade Chorus

Rehearsal Times: 3:30-4:30

Rehearsals: 09/21, 10/05, 10/19, 11/02, 11/16, 12/7

Winter Concert: December 10th

Upper School Chorus

This year, Upper School Chorus will be held as an after-school club. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, rehearsals will be held outside twice a week. Rehearsals will consist of learning a mixed repertoire along with basic music theory and history. In order to raise money for the SJCA Music Program, there will be a small fee of \$20 per scholar. This fee will pay for music and accompaniment fees. Feel free to attend the first rehearsal to see if this is the right fit for you!

Rehearsals: Every Tuesday and Thursday
Time: 3:30-4:30

First Rehearsal: September 15th
Winter Concert: December 10th

Run Walk Club

Open to K-8th graders with volunteer opportunities available for 9-11th graders. K-2nd graders will require an adult present. We will meet on Thursday afternoons from dismissal until 4:15. More information and registration will be in the October edition of the *Lion Line*. Please contact Beth Moody at sjcarunwalk@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer or have questions.

Student Parking on Campus

This year we have a section of reserved spaces for our high school student drivers. Students must pay to reserve a parking space. Please do not park or unload your children in the spaces marked STUDENT. If you have a high schooler ready to drive, please see Mrs. Rogish in the MP building to obtain your parking pass.

Baton Meets on Wednesdays

As a reminder, Baton begins this Wednesday, September 2nd, immediately after school. Spots are still available. The cost to join is \$60. Please see the attached registration form for more information.

Jr. High and High School Scholars: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Grammar School and NEW scholars: 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

National Junior Honor Society

Congratulate our new NJHS inductees. Normally, they would have had an Induction Ceremony in May, but this year we will be inducting new members in October. They have worked incredibly hard to become a member of NJHS. NJHS is not just about grades; it is also a society that supports the virtues that we have in place at SJCA. It is an honor to be in NJHS.

Colby Adams

Isabella Lee

Kennedy Sawyer

Lauren Coggins

Lucas Livesay

Ethan Scherer

Layla DeCristofaro

Adysen McKay

Casey Stull

Matthew De Peralta

Abigail Mendes

Hannah Tyler

DJ English

Danica Nguyen

Leah VanKeuren

Cassandra Griffiths

Amelia O'Neill

Ashley Young

Callie Hammond

Rylan Phillips

True Holton

Addison Piechota

Chaya Jennette-Carter

Gabby Sawyer

Looking for something new and exciting?

Come and try

Baton Twirling

Parades * Local Competitions * Talent Shows

Come and learn from the best!

The Allstars Twirling Academy has produced several state/regional/national individual and team twirling championships, including the 2011 and 2019 NBTA National Senior Small Corp Champions! Classes taught and overseen by University of Florida Majorette instructor June Stoeber

Classes

All skill levels for ages 5 & up.
Classes on Wednesday
1pm-1:45pm—older students/
returning students
1:45-2:30pm—younger/
new students
Cost: \$80 6-7week session
One class per week
First class is free!
September 2

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

For more information, please fill out and return to front desk by September 4th

TWIRLER INFORMATION

Name: _____

Class: _____ Home-room: _____

PARENT'S INFORMATION

Parent's name: _____

