

# THE LION LINE

Learn the True, Do the Good, Love the Beautiful

## What's Happening at SJCA?

This edition of The Lion Line is packed with information about happenings within the Academy. Have your calendar ready to write down important dates. Be sure to check out each of these sections:

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## Off to a Great Start

The sounds of learning fill the Academy's halls once again. It's hard to imagine that SJCA is already in its third year. It seems as though our inaugural year was just yesterday. This year, the Academy has welcomed many new faculty members. These individuals joined our established and dedicated group of returning teachers and staff who have a passion for classical education. The Academy is thankful to each person who helped us launch the year. Although we are only in the third week, SJCA has already hosted Teacher Meet-and-Greets, a parent volunteer meeting, a Boo-Hoo Breakfast for kindergarten parents, an Upper School assembly, and Open House. Our teachers have been busy preparing for the first semester by planning for academics, sports, after-school clubs, and other events. We are moving full-steam ahead and are anxious to settle into the routine and pace of the academic year.



A photo of SJCA's new faculty and staff members.



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## A Letter from the SJCA Board

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Greetings to SJCA Lion Families,

The school year is off to a great start as SJCA enjoys the best school year opening in our 'history'! A special thank you to our leadership team: Ms. Meredith (Director of Operations), Mrs. O'Neal (Assistant Principal), and Mrs. Satcher (Dean of Curriculum and Instruction). They have been working many hours, including evenings and weekends, with a very heavy workload to ensure the start of this school year was a success.

Other areas we are working on include searching for a new Headmaster for our school, continuing to address the safety of our campus, and compiling the results of our parent safety survey.

Identifying the future Headmaster for St. Johns Classical Academy is closer this month than last! Your governing board has been very diligent in making the search a priority and has reviewed a considerable number of resumes and interviews in we pursuit of the best candidate for this important position. Over the next few years, the new Headmaster of SJCA will be tasked with completing our upper school offerings (ie. dual enrollment), leading the accreditation process to meet our goal of being accredited within the next two years, and leading the renewal of our charter with the Clay County School District. It is a very tall order that requires the ideal candidate to meet the qualifications and expectations for the future of SJCA. As we continue this important process, we will be sure to keep you posted.

The safety and security of our scholars and staff is a responsibility that weighs heavily on your governing board. The dramatic changes in violence in our society and the vulnerabilities of school campuses have brought about decisions and expectations that we are trying to stay up to date on. Superintendent Davis of the Clay County School District gave many comments on the need for voters to pass an increase in property taxes to help the district meet a state legislative mandate to require school safety officers on campuses, and he repeatedly included the "two charter school campuses" in his comments.

In late May or early June, the SJCA board president called Mr. Davis to ask about the plan for our campus. Superintendent Davis commented that it was out of his hands and the school board would be voting on how the \$10,000,000 would be spent to cover district campuses. He was then asked if he would be recommending coverage to the board, to which he replied, "...it is up to the school board." The CCSB voted on coverage recommended by Superintendent Davis and SJCA was not included in the planned funding.

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It is important that SJCA parents have a unified voice to present to the school district what their expectations are for the safety of their children. You each received an email providing three different options, a CCSD police officer, a CCSO deputy, or a school guardian. The responses were:

**18.32% CCSD police officer                      72.25% CCSO deputy                      9.42% school guardian**

The request will be made on your behalf at the Clay County monthly school board meeting on **September 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** The meeting location is the teacher training center (usual meeting location) on the campus of Fleming Island High School. The district has the funding and SJCA is turning over the security stipend we receive from the State to contribute our portion for a school safety officer. Now is the time to let the school board and Superintendent know you are informed that SJCA is a Clay County public school and the lives on our campus are no less valuable than those on any other county public school campus.

What you can do:

1. Contact the School Board: <https://www.oneclay.net/domain/5049>
2. Contact Superintendent Davis's office: 904-336-6505
3. **Attend and speak** at the September 5th school board meeting. This item will likely not be discussed until after 7 p.m.

*St. Johns Classical Academy Governing Board*

Diane Hutchings

Amy Miller

Alexandra Compere

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## Important Links for Parents and Scholars

School Uniforms: <https://www.landsend.com>

PE Uniforms: <https://strykercustomdesigns.com/sjca-gear>

Family & Scholar Handbook: <http://stjca.org/family-scholar-handbook-2/>

School Calendar (online): <http://stjca.org/events/>

School Lunch Payments & Lunch Calendar: <https://www.ezschoollapps.com//ParentLogin.aspx>

## Official Facebook Parent Group

The SJCA Official Parent Group launched this summer. The administrator is the board-appointed parent liaison, Natasha Bull. The Official Parent Group serves as a direct line of communication to the administration of the school via the parent liaison and is a center of knowledge to help educate individuals about classical education. It is an open forum for parents of scholars to have dialogue regarding any questions or concerns pertaining to the school. Mrs. Bull can also be reached via email: [parent.help@stjca.org](mailto:parent.help@stjca.org).

## Focus Account Issues

Scholar Accounts: If your scholar is unable to log-in to his/her Focus account, please use the student number as the username. The password is Student1. He/she will then be prompted to change the password.

Parent Accounts: Please see a PDF version of the directions at the end of the newsletter for assistance. For additional help, contact Amy Phillips, the front desk secretary: [amy.phillips@stjca.org](mailto:amy.phillips@stjca.org).

## School Lunch

Scholars and staff are enjoying the new lunch program offered at SJCA. Turn Around Solutions Catering has been working with the Academy and parents to continually grow the lunch options provided to scholars. The September menu was sent to parents via email last week. It is also included at the end of [The Lion Line](#) and on the lunch payment website.

*Parents must preorder lunches.* Specifically, this means that if your scholar intends on eating at school, orders must be placed online by 3 a.m. The ability to order either cheese or pepperoni pizza on Fridays has been added to the website. You now have the option of ordering up to three extra pieces of pizza. The vendor purchases pizza from *Little Caesars* based on the quantity of preorders; therefore, you must place orders online if your scholar wants pizza on Fridays. Chicken nuggets or corndogs will be offered to scholars who do not preorder pizza on Fridays.

Until recently, only credit card payments were accepted via the lunch website. A \$1.95 credit card convenience fee was added to payments. To avoid this charge, Turn Around Solutions has agreed to accept cash payment and will apply it to your scholar's account.

If you need assistance with lunch, please call the front desk at 458-8240 ext. 2102, and Mrs. Phillips will transfer your call to the cafeteria.

In summary, the important thing to remember about lunch, is it must be preordered. We appreciate your cooperation.

School lunch website: <https://www.ezschoolapps.com>



Victoria, "The cheese on my spaghetti is my favorite."

## Mighty Orion Fitness Fundraiser

Be an American Ninja Warrior for a day in our 6,400 square foot facility! We offer authentic obstacles direct from the TV show. Bring the whole family, and enjoy a day of excitement and exercise! The cost is \$15 per hour. Athletic shoes are required to play. Waivers have to be signed in order to participate. These forms can be completed before coming to the facility. You can find them on our website: <http://www.mightyorionfitness.com/waivers>. Be sure to mention that you are from SJCA when arrive. The Academy will receive 33% of profits earned that day.

When: September 21st

Time: 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Where: 20 D Knight Boxx Road

Phone: 904-600-2400







Mr. Davis, 6th grade teacher, enjoying lunch with SJCA

## Afternoon Check-Out

The cut-off time for checking out early is 2:00 p.m. on regular days and 12:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. When scheduling appointments for scholars, please keep this in mind.

## AmazonSmile

SJCA earned \$41.22 from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of program activity between April 1st and June 30th. Thank you to those individuals when purchasing from Amazon who use the AmazonSmile link. Every little bit helps the Academy.

Shop at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/81-2606245> and AmazonSmile

donates to St Johns Classical Academy!



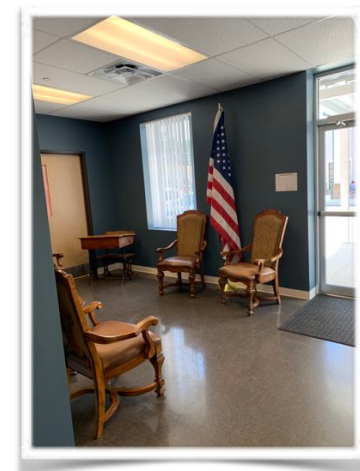
## Junque in the Trunk



Local retailer, Junque in the Trunk, recently decorated our lobby in the front office. Each of our hallways will soon be named in honor of a historical American

figure or one of the SJCA

virtues. Be on the lookout for these unique street signs created by Junque in the Trunk in the near future. The Academy extends its deepest gratitude to Junque in the Trunk for helping to beautify our building.



## Lower School Car Line

Thank you for your patience during after school dismissal. We are continually working to improve the flow and speed of car line. Here are a few tips to help assist us:

- Please make sure scholars know their number. Remind your scholar to be listening and looking for their number on the board while waiting in the cafeteria.
- All scholars will be loaded on the right side of the vehicle.
- If you are still waiting for your scholar, pull up carefully as far as you can and stay to the right.
- Hang your car sign on the passenger visor. Have the number down and visible while you wait and then flip the visor up to show us you have your scholar and are ready to go.
- We appreciate all the parents who moved their scholar's car seat to the right side of the vehicle. If your scholar needs help buckling their car seat, please pull ahead and park in the visitor lot before getting out to help.
- Make sure your scholar knows how they are getting home and what their vehicle looks like. They should also be watching for your car while they are outside.

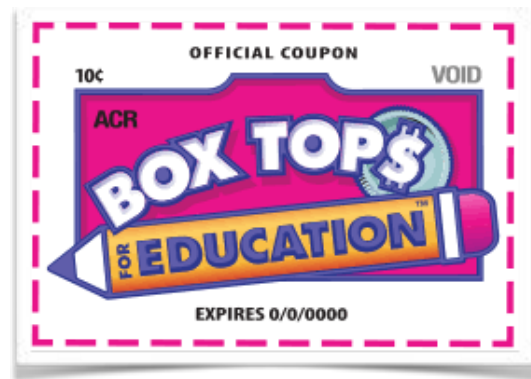
## Arriving and Departing Scholar Safety

Our traffic pattern has done an excellent job of eliminating most of the turns onto Canova from CR220 during drop-off and pick-up; however, we remain concerned about the speed of the traffic for our walkers who cross CR220. SJCA has requested a review by the Clay County Sheriff's Department to see if the Academy qualifies for a crossing guard at CR220 and Canova as well as a school zone designation to slow speed limits during the morning and afternoon. There will be an on-site survey/meeting to gather data on these two safety requests on Thursday, August 29th.

-SJCA Governing Board

## Spirit Day Dress Code

SJCA Spirit Days will be on the last Friday of the month. Scholars may wear a school spirit t-shirt with jeans or shorts to the knee. Jeans may not have any rips or tears. Scholars may wear their choice of shoes *except for flip flops*. Spirit Days are a school-wide fundraiser. The funds will be deposited into the SJCA general account and will be used to purchase items the Academy needs. The cost to participate in Spirit Days is \$2 per scholar. Participation is optional. If your scholar does not choose to participate, he/she must wear normal uniform attire. Although the Academy prefers payment to be made online, we will accept cash payments. Click here to pay via PayPal on the SJCA website: <http://stjca.org/spirit-day-payments/>.



## Box Tops for Education

Start collecting Box Tops for Education! This year, every penny collected will be used to build out and beautify the upper school courtyard. The fall Box Top campaign kicks off on September 16th and runs through November 1st. Our goal is to earn \$5,000. In order to meet this goal, we need your help. Look for the Box Top flyers at the end of this month's newsletter specifying ways you and your extended family can work together to directly impact our scholars in a positive way.

## Health Care Room

Children with life-threatening conditions should have an Emergency Action Plan (EAP). In order for the nurse to implement the EAP, she needs a health questionnaire completed by a parent/guardian. She will then email you or send the forms that need to be completed and signed by your scholar's physician. These forms are required from Clay County District Schools and the Florida Department of Health.

- Scholars cannot carry medications unless a parent has completed a Parental Authorization for Administration of Medicine/Medication Administration Record (PAMM/MAR) that is signed by both the parent and physician. If your scholar does carry medication, it has to be checked-in at the health room and needs have a label from the pharmacy with your scholar's name on it. This applies to both prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) medication.
- All OTC medications that need to be administered at school need a physician's order or prescription. Instructions for the administration of OTC medication that are in hospital discharge paperwork or written on the medical management plan are acceptable along with a signature on the PAAM. In this instance, a signature is not needed from the health care provider. The OTC medication must be delivered to SCJA by a parent in the original container, be age appropriate, and be within the current expiration date.
- Each child, including siblings, that receives medication, including OTC, must have their own supply of medication as prescribed by the healthcare provider.
- Cough drops may be administered in school with a completed PAAM Form with parental authorization. Cough drops must be delivered by the parent or guardian in an unopened, non-expired package. They will be stored in the health room.
- ChapStick can be carried by a student without a PAAM.
- All medications have to be counted and signed by the parent/guardian and the health room staff.

- Medications and health forms can be checked-in between 7:15 and 3:00 unless prior arrangements have been made with the nurse. The best time to see the nurse is during early morning hours. Otherwise, you may have to wait while she attends to scholars.

## Influenza Vaccines

Healthy Schools will be here on October 10th to administer **optional flu** vaccinations to scholars. If you are interested in having your child vaccinated, be sure to register through CareDox. If you have any questions or concerns, please email the nurse: [gretchen.schild-ellgren@stjca.org](mailto:gretchen.schild-ellgren@stjca.org).



## Health Room Volunteer Opportunities

The Academy will need parent volunteers to assist with flu shots and health screening. If you are interested in volunteering for one or both of these dates, please email Amy Phillips: [amy.phillips@stjca.org](mailto:amy.phillips@stjca.org).

- Healthy Schools will be administering influenza vaccines on October 10, 2019.
- The Department of Health will be on campus on October 25, 2019 to conduct health screenings.



# Upper School Notes

## Homework in Upper School

The first two weeks of the new school year have been packed full of new procedures, new friends, and new experiences. Now that we are moving into the middle of the first quarter, scholars should be adjusted to the policies and culture of our Academy and settled into the rhythms of their classes. Having chosen to send your child to SJCA, you understand the importance of the rigorous curriculum and rich education they are receiving. Please understand that they will have studying, reading, and/or homework to do regularly. They will need time and a quiet place to focus on their studies. Your scholar will need your support to be successful in their classes. Here are a few tips to help them have a smooth and successful year:

1. Make sure that your scholar has a planner and understands how to use it properly.
2. Help your scholar learn to manage their time by **allotting a portion of each day to studying, reading, and homework. Scholars should be reviewing notes from each class every night.** This ensures that Scholars are not “cramming” for a test the night before.
3. Provide your scholar with a quiet atmosphere in which they can focus on their studies.
4. Ask them about their classes and the books they are reading.
5. Encourage them to reach out to their teachers if they have trouble with their work at home and to be proactive when they need help.

Adjusting to a new school environment—especially for those coming into Middle School for the first time—is a challenge. However, with support from both faculty and parents, we know our scholars will rise to the occasion. We look forward to a wonderful year.

## Upper School Attendance

Attendance is key to success in school. Numerous studies have shown that student achievement is directly tied to school attendance; in fact, attendance is cited in many studies as a “building block” or a “basic condition” for student success. Students who are not physically present in class are not receiving instruction, and they miss out on the learning opportunities that come when they can comment on their thoughts, ask questions, and listen to discussion. Students who are absent from class cannot be as successful in learning new material as those who are present. We encourage you to make daily school attendance a priority and to discuss with your children the importance of being present.

## Upper School Policies

Please make sure you are aware of our uniform policies, our storage policies, and our conduct policies. Uniform referrals and infractions are being given out. If you have questions please contact Ms. Turner: [danielle.turner@stjca.org](mailto:danielle.turner@stjca.org).

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# Upper School Notes

## National Honor Society

The **National Honor Society (NHS)** is an organization dedicated to recognizing and encouraging outstanding high school students in grades 10-12. NHS membership is by selection-only at the school level. Students in grades 10-12 who meet the requirements for membership outlined by their school's chapter are eligible to be invited for membership. Once inducted, members participate in a wide variety of local and regional opportunities to expand their leadership and are called to serve as role models in valuing the mindsets and actions related to the following four pillars:

- *Scholarship:* Per national guidelines, at a minimum, students must have a cumulative GPA of 85, B, 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent standard of excellence.
- *Service:* This involves voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation.
- *Leadership:* Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, and idea contributors. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.
- *Character:* The student of good character is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability; shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others; and generally maintains a clean disciplinary record.

Students who accept membership and are inducted into the chapter should be aware of the time and commitment involved with this honor. All questions should be directed to Ms. Cosme: [anamaria.cosme@stjca.org](mailto:anamaria.cosme@stjca.org).

## National Junior Honor Society

NJHS will start appointing our first officers in the weeks to come. We are very excited to start making a difference at our school and our community. 7th graders that are interested in becoming members have to maintain a 3.5 GPA for the year and follow our virtues as well. Induction for future members is held in the spring.

## District College Night

Clay County District Schools will be hosting a *District College Night*. Over 70 different colleges and technical skills will be in attendance. The Academy encourages our upper school scholars to check out this event to learn more about these schools. *District College Night* will be held at Middleburg High School on September 5, 2019 from 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

## Flag Football

Flag football will be one Friday per month from 3:00-4:30 where captains will pick teams and have fun, informal scrimmages. Scholars and parents are encouraged to come out, socialize, and enjoy the outdoors together. There will be one large event later in the semester, the date of which is TBD. The current Fridays are: Sept. 20, Oct. 11, Nov. 1, Dec. 6

If your scholar is interested in being a captain, please have them come by Mrs. Glod's classroom (202) to put their name on the list. Boys and girls in grades 7-10 are welcome!

# Elementary Clubs & Events

## Open to Elementary Scholars

### ***Safety Patrol***

Open to: 5th and 6th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$5 one time fee for the cost of the scholar's safety belt due upon registration

Days: Monday-Friday (ongoing)

Location: Campus Wide

Time: Before School Shifts & After School Shifts Available

Faculty Sponsor: Maryluz Stratton  
[maryluz.stratton@stjca.org](mailto:maryluz.stratton@stjca.org)

### ***Baton Twirling***

Open to: All Scholars Ages 4+

Fees: \$80 per Semester (Fees are paid directly to ATA)

Days: Fridays (ongoing)

Location: Cafeteria

Time: 3:30-4:30 new students / returning students  
4:40-5:30 returning students

Faculty Sponsor: Sherri Glynn [sherri.glynn@stjca.org](mailto:sherri.glynn@stjca.org) or contact June 352-514-1362 / email [jjbug@hotmail.com](mailto:jjbug@hotmail.com)

### ***Run/Walk Club***

Open to: K-8th, 9th & 10th scholars can volunteer for service hours. K-2nd must have adult supervision.

Fees: \$15 per family

When: Thursdays beginning October 3rd from 3:00-4:15

Location: athletic field

Volunteer Sponsor: Beth Mood  
[sjarunwalk@gmail.com](mailto:sjarunwalk@gmail.com)

Complete this online registration form: [Run/Walk Form](#)

### ***Chorus for Kindergarten through Third Graders***

Chorus is a community learning experience that will further enrich our students by giving them an opportunity to create music and harmony.

Open to: KG-3rd Grade Scholars

Fees: \$10 Due to Ms. Smith by 9/17/19 Days: Tuesday (every 2 weeks beginning 9/3/19)

Room: Lower School Music Room Time: 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Faculty Sponsor: Brooke Smith [brooke.smith@stjca.org](mailto:brooke.smith@stjca.org)

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

### ***Chorus for Fourth through Sixth Graders***

Open to: 4th-6th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$10 Due to Ms. Smith by 9/24/19

Days: Tuesday (every 2 weeks beginning 9/10/19)

Where: Lower School Music Room Time: 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Faculty Sponsor: Brooke Smith [brooke.smith@stjca.org](mailto:brooke.smith@stjca.org)

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

### ***Bricks 4 Kidz***

Open: Kindergarten and up

Fees: \$45 per 4-week session

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 3:00 to 4:00

Location: Room 229

Contact vendor: Bricks 4 Kidz (904) 312-7621  
[bricks4kidz.com/westside](http://bricks4kidz.com/westside)

# Upper School Clubs & Events

## ***Drama Club***

SJCA Drama Club is a process-oriented after-school drama club in which scholars rehearse and perform a scripted play. Scholars in Drama Club learn the basics of stagecraft, self-discipline and the importance of hard work, creativity and imaginative play, listening and observation skills, and self-confidence. Our scholars enjoy the rewards that come with working together to achieve a common goal.

LIMITED Enrollment: 20 Lower School Scholars/ 20 Upper School Scholars

Open to: 4th-10th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$0

Days: Monday (9/9/19-12/9/19) Thursdays (10/31/19-12/12/19)

Location: Cafeteria Time: 3:45 - 4:45

Faculty Sponsor: Jennifer Kiep  
[jennifer.kiep@stjca.org](mailto:jennifer.kiep@stjca.org)

Parent Volunteers: Natasha Bull, Angela Livesay

## ***Interact Club***

Interact clubs bring together Scholars in grades 8-10 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Interact club organizes at least two projects every year, one that helps the school or community and one that promotes international understanding. Scholars will connect with leaders in the community and around the world to take action to make a difference in our school and community, discover new cultures, promote international understanding, and become a leader within SJCA and the community.

## ***Interact Club (continued from first column)***

Open to: Grades 8th-10th graders

Fees: \$0

Days: Thursday (last Thursday of every month)

Location: Room 205

Time: 3:30 - 4:00

Faculty Sponsor: Amanda Pelky [Amanda.Pelky@stjca.org](mailto:Amanda.Pelky@stjca.org)

## ***Upper School Chorus***

Chorus is a community learning experience that will further enrich our students by giving them an opportunity to create music and harmony.

Open to: 7th-10th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$10 due to Ms. Smith by 9/12/19

Days: Thursday (ongoing)

Location: Lower School Music Room

Time: 3:30 pm - 4:30

Faculty Sponsor: Brooke Smith [brooke.smith@stjca.org](mailto:brooke.smith@stjca.org)

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

## ***National Honor Society***

Open to: 10th-12th graders

Fees: \$20

Days: Second Thursday of each month

Location: Room 201. Time: 2:30 to 3:30

Chapter Adviser: Ana Maria Cosme

[anamaria.cosme@stjca.org](mailto:anamaria.cosme@stjca.org)

# Upper School Clubs & Events

## ***International Thespian Society***

The International Thespian Society is an honor society for high school and middle school theatre students. It is a division of the Educational Theatre Association and SJCA has made it part of our Drama Program. SJCA Drama Club is a process-oriented after-school drama club in which scholars rehearse and perform a scripted play. Scholars in Drama Club learn the basics of stagecraft, self-discipline and the importance of hard work, creativity and imaginative play, listening and observation skills, and self-confidence. Our scholars enjoy the rewards that come with working together to achieve a common goal.

Open to: 9th-10th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$30

Days: Monday (9/9/19-12/9/19) Thursdays (10/31/19-12/12/19)

Location: Cafeteria

Time: 3:45pm - 4:45

Faculty Sponsor: Jennifer Kiep  
[jennifer.kiep@stjca.org](mailto:jennifer.kiep@stjca.org)

Parent Volunteers: Natasha Bull, Angela Livesay

## **7th-10th Grade Parent Volunteers**

Calling all parents of 7th-10th grade scholars. Ms. Cosme needs help planning the **Winter Formal on Jan. 10, 2020**. She is looking for parents to form a dance committee to assist her in planning and coordinating the Upper School Dances for the 2019-2020. Please email Ms. Cosme if you are interested: [anamaria.cosme@stjca.org](mailto:anamaria.cosme@stjca.org).

## ***Debate Team***

Fosters courage, integrity, perseverance, responsibility, and wisdom.

Open to: 9th-10th Grade Scholars

Days: Tuesdays beginning Sept. 17th

Location: Room 201

Time: 2:30 pm - 3:30

Faculty Sponsors: Ana Maria Cosme, Carmen Burgess and Robin Siegers  
[anamaria.cosme@stjca.org](mailto:anamaria.cosme@stjca.org), [robin.siegers@stjca.org](mailto:robin.siegers@stjca.org),  
[carmen.burgess@stjca.org](mailto:carmen.burgess@stjca.org)

## ***Yearbook***

SJCA Yearbook Club has been designed to provide students with the skills and the ability to apply those skills to the actual production of our SJCA Yearbook. Scholars learn about teamwork, responsibility, brainstorming, content, writing, headlines, captions, editing, photography, design, graphics, advertising and distribution.

Open to: 9th-10th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$0

Days: Tuesdays (10/01/19 - 05/20/20)

Location: Technology Lab Room 220

Time: 3:00 - 4:00

Faculty Sponsor: Claire Grewe  
[claire.grewe@stjca.org](mailto:claire.grewe@stjca.org)



# Upper School Clubs & Events

## ***Student Council***

Student Council is an organization conducted by students and supervised by adult sponsors. The purpose of the Student Council is to give students an opportunity to develop leadership by organizing and carrying out school activities and service projects. In addition to planning events that contribute to school spirit and community welfare, the student council is the voice of the student body. They help share student ideas, interests, and concerns with the school-wide community.

The function of the Student Council is based upon parliamentary procedures. Ideas are presented, voted upon and confirmed by the student body president. Any student that is interested in leadership, organizational behavior, event planning, or becoming more involved in the school are welcome to run for office. Please attend the meeting on September 9th to get an informational packet about running for office and learning about the jobs within the council.

Open to: 8th-10th Grade Scholars (with one 7th Grade Representative)

Dates: 9/9 Informational Meeting 2:30-3:00, every Monday 2:30 to 3:00

Location Room 201

Time: 7:00- 7:30 a.m.

Faculty Sponsors: Ana Maria Cosme and Stephanie Rogish  
[anamaria.cosme@stjca.org](mailto:anamaria.cosme@stjca.org) [stephanie.rogish@stjca.org](mailto:stephanie.rogish@stjca.org)

## ***NJHS***

The National Junior Honor Society is an international student organization that consists of chapters in middle schools. The NJHS was founded by the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and today has chapters in the United States, Puerto Rico, other U.S. Territories, and Canada. NJHS is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding middle-level students. More than just an honor roll, NJHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship.

## ***NJHS (continued from first column)***

Open to: 7th-8th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$20 new inductees

Days: Tuesday (second Tuesday of each Month)

Location: Room 206 Time: 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Chapter Adviser: Danielle Turner  
[danielle.turner@stjca.org](mailto:danielle.turner@stjca.org)

## ***Latin Club***

SJCA's Latin Club seeks to bring together students studying Latin for the purpose of pursuing activities outside the classroom setting to encourage and otherwise support all things, Roman. Scholars will promote enthusiasm for Classical Greek, Latin and Ancient Culture and appreciate the influence these have on our own modern world.

Open to: 7th-10th Grade Scholars

Fees: \$10 Due by 10/18/2019

Days: Friday (until December 7, 2019)

Location: Room 203

Time: 2:30 - 3:30

Faculty Sponsor: Allison Kane [allison.kane@stjca.org](mailto:allison.kane@stjca.org)

Please read Ms. Kane's letter to scholars on page 16 of [The Lion Line](#).

## ***Painting with Mr. Ross***

Open to: All scholars (K-10th grade) and their families

Fees: TBD

Days: Thursday, October 3rd **and**  
Thursday, December 12th

Location: Cafeteria

Time: 6:00 - 7:30

## Upper School Clubs & Events

### Offerings from Mr. Clarke

*Every Week*

Composition Club: Mondays 2:30-3:30

Jazz Combo: Wednesdays 12:30-1:30

Philosophy Club: Fridays 2:30-3:30

Mr. Clark will have Honors Band as well.

### Tone Savvy

Mr. Clarke has subscribed to the website, Tone Savvy. This website allows him to create customized assignments for scholars. Please ensure that your scholar is practicing using the Tone Savvy website or app. Tone Savvy comes with exercises ranging from extremely basic concepts of naming notes on a staff to collegiate concepts of relationship species counterpoint. To the non-musical, this is comparative to having math software to practice weekly that ranges in difficulty from simple addition to differential equations of functions that will also help the student in giving them the reasoning of how he/she missed an answer to a question and why.

We encourage parents to try it out by visiting the website: <https://tonesavvy.com/music-practice-exercises/>.

Mr. Clark will be sharing the data from the Tone Savvy website with Ms. Smith as well.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Clarke: [brooks.clarke@stjca.org](mailto:brooks.clarke@stjca.org)

### Upper School Chorus

Ms. Smith will be offering Upper School Chorus and Honors Choir as an after-school activities. The days and times will be announced in the near future. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Smith: [brooke.smith@stjca.org](mailto:brooke.smith@stjca.org).



Dear SJCA Latin Scholar,

Are you interested in Ancient Greece and Rome? Do you like to participate in academic competitions? Are you itching to share your creative abilities? Do you want to show off your athleticism? Are you looking for a fun place to make friends and memories? Do you need leadership opportunities for college applications? Are you searching for a fun activity or group?

If you answered “Yes” to any of the above, come out and join Latin Club.

Latin Club is open to all Latin students in Seventh Grade and above. As a member of Latin Club you will hold state and national memberships in the Junior Classical League, a worldwide organization of Latin and Greek scholars. You will be eligible to participate in Regional, State, and National Latin Fora, competitions during which students showcase their academic, creative, and athletic abilities. Students will study topics of interest related to the Ancient World, which encompasses Ancient Greece and Rome. Latin competitions offer a variety of academic and creative contests including tests, art projects, public speaking, and even an academic buzzer competition. There truly is an activity for every student. At the local level, the club will hold weekly Study Parties, where students can explore their interests and connect with other students who have the same passions. Students can participate in leadership opportunities at the local, state, and national level. By participating in Regional, State, and National Fora, scholars will build relationships with Latin students across the United States. Students will also be able to participate in national examinations, including the National Latin Exam. Scholars who join Latin Club may also be eligible for induction in the Latin National Honor Society.

Latin Club is great for building your college application resume, making friends, and getting involved with the school. Our meetings will be on Fridays from 2:30-3:30 in room 203. The first meeting will be on August 30. I look forward to seeing you there.

Cura ut valeas,

Magistra Kane

## Performances and Productions

### *Band Performance*

\$25.00 Student Fee due on September 15th, 2019

Open to: 7th-10th Grade Scholars

Date: 12/3/19

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

### *Thespian Honor Society/ Drama Club Production*

Open to: Families (KG – 10<sup>th</sup>)

Fees: TBD

Days: Friday December 13, 2019

Location/Time: Cafeteria/6:00 – 7:30pm

# On the Horizon for Upper School

## Parent Volunteers for Athletics

The Academy would like to offer the following athletic options for junior high and high school students, but we are in need of coaches. **For the 2019-2020 school year, we are in need of parent volunteers to coach track, basketball, and golf.** We are looking for dedicated individuals to fill these spots A.S.A.P so that scholars can participate during the 2019-2020 season. Please email Coach Patterson: [hannah.patterson@stjca.org](mailto:hannah.patterson@stjca.org).

Mrs. Glod is also looking for parent volunteers. These individuals will be responsible for monitoring scholars and selling concessions. Email [ellen.glod@stjca.org](mailto:ellen.glod@stjca.org) if you are interested in helping with flag football.

## Athletics in the Future

SJCA wants to add the following athletic options to the Academy:

- Swim team
- Golf team
- High school volleyball
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Cross country

We need your help. If you'd like to coach any of these sports in the spring or next school year, please email: [hannah.patterson@stjca.org](mailto:hannah.patterson@stjca.org). We want to start planning for these events early so the scholars can participate next year.

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## More Clubs

In addition to athletic offerings, the Academy is planning to add the following clubs. More information will be available in the future.

- Academic Team  
Faculty Sponsor: Mrs. Casteel
- CREW (open to 6th - 9th graders) please contact: [outreach@riverchristian.church](mailto:outreach@riverchristian.church) or 904-318-6364
- Student 2 Student: Student ambassadors for new scholars.
- MuAlphaTheta
- Robotics
- National Art Honor Society  
Faculty Sponsor: Wade Ross

## Field Trips

SJCA desires to make each year in the upper school a special one for our scholars. We've started to discuss special field trips that will be offered at year's end for each grade level. This trip will give scholars something to look forward to at the end of each of year as they progress through the upper school. More information will be provided in the future.

## January 2020

We will be selecting class officers to establish traditions and activities for each high school grade. More information to come. Stay tuned.

*In next month's edition of The Lion Line, we'll be answering questions about the BCSI literacy program, Literacy Essentials.*

### **Appendix of Documents**

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First Semester Calendar

Scholar Uniform Dress-Code Requirements

September Lunch Menu

Focus Parent Portal Registration Directions

Baton Twirling Flyer

Junque in the Trunk Flyer

St. Johns Dance Academy Registration

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# September 2019

# St. Johns Classical Academy

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Labor Day No School	3 Bricks 4 Kidz 3:00-4:00 K-3rd Chorus 3:30-4:30	4 Formal Uniform Day Jazz Combo 12:30-1:30 CREW 12:30-1:20 Volleyball Practice 1:00-2:45 Early Dismissal 6th-10th: 12:30 K-5th: 1:00	5 Volleyball Practice @YMCA 4:00-5:30 District College Night 6:30 to 8:00 at Middleburg High School	6 Philosophy 2:30-3:30 Latin Club 2:30 to 3:30 Baton Twirling New/Returning: 3:30 to 4:30 Returning: 4:30 to 5:30	7
8	9 Music Composition 2:30-3:30 Student Council Informational Meeting 2:30-3:00 Volleyball Practice 3:00-4:45 Drama Club 3:45 to 4:45 Finance Meeting 4:00 Board Meeting 4:30	10 NJHS 2:30-3:30 Bricks 4 Kidz 3:00-4:00 Chess Club 3:00-4:00 Chorus 4th-6th 3:30-4:30 Art Club K-2nd 3:45-4:45 Volleyball Practice @YMCA 4:00-5:30	11 Formal Uniform Day CREW 12:30-1:20 Jazz Combo 12:30-1:30 Volleyball Practice 1:00-2:45 Early Dismissal 6th-10th: 12:30 K-5th: 1:00	12 Upper School Chorus 3:30-4:30  (6th-8th)Girls Volleyball Game @ Episcopal Time TBD Parent Volunteer Meeting 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	13 Philosophy 2:30-3:30 Latin Club 2:30 to 3:30 Baton Twirling New/Returning: 3:30 to 4:30 Returning: 4:30 to 5:30	14
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29	30 Music Composition 2:30-3:30 Student Council 2:30-3:00 Volleyball Practice 3:00-4:45 Drama Club 3:45 to 4:45	1	2	3	4	5

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24	25 Thanksgiving Break  No School November 25th- November 29th	26	27	28	29	30

# December 2019

# St. Johns Classical Academy

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8	9 Music Composition 2:30-3:30 Student Council 2:30-3:00 Drama Club 3:45 to 4:45	10 Beg. Band Rehearsal 2:30-3:30 Debate 2:30-3:30 NJHS 2:30-3:30 Yearbook 3:00-4:00 3rd-5th Art Club 3:45-4:45 A Christmas Carol Drama Performance 6:00	11 Formal Uniform Day CREW 12:30-1:20 Jazz Combo 12:30-1:30 Early Dismissal 6th-10th: 12:30 K-5th: 1:00	12 Wind Ensemble Rehearsal 2:30-4:00 Run/Walk Club 3:00-4:15 Drama 3:45-4:45 Paint Night with Mr. Ross from 6:00-7:30	13 \$2 Spirit Day Baton Twirling New/Returning: 3:30 to 4:30 Returning: 4:30 to 5:30 Beg. Band and Wind Ensemble Holiday Christmas Concert at Cross+Roads Lutheran Church at 7:30	14
15	16 \$2 Ugly Sweater Day Early Release 6th-10th: 10:45 K-5th: 11:15	17 \$2 Cowboy Christmas Early Release 6th-10th: 10:45 K-5th: 11:15	18 \$2 Pajama Day Early Release 6th-10th: 10:45 K-5th: 11:15	19 Christmas Vacation No School Scholars Return: January 7, 2019	20	21
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## Scholar Uniform and Dress Code Policies

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### Uniforms and Grooming

**Uniform guidelines can be found at the end of the handbook.** At St. Johns Classical Academy, scholars wear uniforms to eliminate distractions, to level the playing field, and to remind ourselves that we are doing important work.

The spirit of the uniform policy is that scholars will dress and groom themselves in a manner that it is traditional, not obstructive, and not distracting.

Scholars must be in uniform in order to attend class. Any scholar not in uniform will be sent to the office to call their parent or guardian and they will also receive a level 1 dress code referral. A level 1 referral will not stay on their permanent record but receiving more than 4 referrals may result in dismissal from the Academy.

Scholars will dress according to the mandatory and optional items listed on the Board-approved uniform policy for boys and girls, respectively, plus the following series of directives. All uniform criteria are listed on the St. Johns Classical Academy website.

Scholars may wear their own outerwear (coats, sweaters, vests) outside of the school building and on the playground. If they are cold in the classroom, they should wear one of the long sleeve uniform items, or one of the uniform outerwear items.

- All scholars must be in uniform at all times (unless approved by administration). No other clothing other than uniform tops and bottoms are permitted. No outside tops, jeans, bottoms, or outerwear are permitted in the building.
- Shoes and belts are to be completely black or completely brown.
- PE uniform guidelines will be posted on the school website.
- All shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- Skirts and shorts shall fall no higher than the top of the knee as measured when the scholar is standing. Pants must not be too tight.
- Scholars may use any backpack as long as it is clean and tasteful.
- Hair must be clean, neat, and styled traditionally. Only natural colors are allowed. Neat bows, barrettes, headbands, and "scrunchies" are permissible so long as they coordinate with the uniform (white, blue, yellow or light blue) and are smaller than 2" in diameter. Hair must be natural looking and conservative in its color and style (no feathers or threads, bleaching or unnatural streaking/highlighting, no deep/bright reds or oranges, no artificial jet-black coloring, and no unnatural colors)
- All girls' and boys' polo shirts may have the top button unbuttoned. All other buttons must be buttoned.

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## Scholar Uniform and Dress Code Policies, Continued

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### Uniforms and Grooming, continued

- Modest jewelry is allowed including a watch or one small necklace limited in length to the neckline so that it will not get caught on anything and become a hazard. An object that has a purpose other than jewelry cannot be worn as jewelry (i.e. chains or collars). Girls may wear two earrings per ear on the earlobe, and the earrings must not be larger than a dime. No stretched piercings (gauge) or holes may be visible. Boys will not be permitted to wear earrings.
  - Tattoos must be covered at all times.
  - Makeup must look natural and is not permitted in grades K-6.
  - Nail Polish: Girls may wear light colors (No dark or neon colors) or clear nail polish.
  - No hats or sunglasses in class. Hats include visors and bandanas. Religious headgear is authorized.
  - Good personal hygiene is required at all times. This includes wearing neat, clean clothing. Strong/offensive body odors or excessive use of perfumes or cologne are inappropriate.
  - Should a scholar require reasonable uniform alterations based on religion, disability, or medical condition, please contact administration.
  - All items should be labeled with scholar's first and last name.
  - Lost and Found- Located in the upstairs hallways and the cafetorium. It is the scholar's/parent's responsibility to search for items in these areas. These items are donated quarterly.
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### Toileting

All scholars of St. Johns Classical Academy must be independent in toileting unless there is a documented medical condition. On occasion, scholars may have "accidents." When an "accident" occurs, it is the responsibility of the parent to assist the child and to provide clean clothing.

If there are repeated "accidents," a meeting with the parents and the Assistant Principal will be held to evaluate the situation. Appropriate action will be taken based on what is in the best interest of all scholars and the school.

Any scholar that is uncomfortable using a group bathroom may request of their teacher to use a designated private restroom. A private restroom is available in the SJCA clinic.

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### Uniforms and Financial Assistance

The school will not allow financial need to limit access to St. Johns Classical Academy, and this includes access to uniforms. At minimum, the Academy will facilitate the use of SJCA's used uniform exchange.

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### Used Uniform Store

When it is practicable, the school will facilitate a used uniform store/exchange.

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# Please review all uniform guidelines to ensure your scholar is in compliance.

## 2019-2020 **EVERYDAY UNIFORM** REQUIREMENTS

All uniform items must be purchased from the Lands' End site. If the item is shown for your scholar's grade level, it is grade-appropriate for the scholar. Items previously purchased from Tommy Hilfiger are acceptable if the items are the correct color and style for the scholar's grade.

*\*Formal uniform items are not permitted on non-formal days (plaid is not permitted on non-formal days).*

*\*\*Please review more detailed uniform requirements in the SJCA Family and Scholar Handbook.*

### **RULES FOR ALL GRADES**

- Socks- Navy blue or black crew-length 3" (or higher) socks or stockings- no leggings or ankle socks
- A black or brown belt must be worn with pants or shorts (K-1<sup>st</sup> grade excluded)
- Skorts/skirts/dresses must be to the knee- we recommend purchasing below the knee for longer use
- Shoes- solid black or brown, leather/canvas, solid black or brown soles- the soles may be slightly lighter, but they must be the same color
- Blue or black shorts should be worn under all skirts and dresses

### KG – 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOLARS

#### GIRLS

- Light blue polo tops
- Navy blue bottoms – pants, shorts, skirts, or skorts,
- Light blue polo dress

#### BOYS

- Light blue polo tops
- Navy blue bottoms – pants or shorts

### 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOLARS

#### GIRLS

- Royal blue polo tops
- Khaki or navy bottoms – pants, shorts, skirts or skorts

#### BOYS

- Royal blue polo tops
- Khaki bottoms – pants, shorts

### 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOLARS

#### GIRLS

- Navy blue polo tops
- Khaki or navy bottoms – pants, shorts, skirts or skorts

#### BOYS

- Navy blue polo tops
- Khaki bottoms – pants, shorts



# Please review all uniform guidelines to ensure your scholar is in compliance.

## 2019-2020 FORMAL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

All uniform items must be purchased from the Lands' End site. All pieces of the formal uniform are required for Formal Dress Uniform Day. Formal Dress Uniform Days are every Wednesday beginning the 2019-2020 school year. There may be other events requiring the formal uniform during the year with advanced notice. Items previously purchased from Tommy Hilfiger are acceptable if the items are the correct color and style for the scholar's grade.

*\*\*\*Please review more detailed uniform requirements in the SJCA Family and Scholar Handbook.*

### RULES FOR ALL GRADES

- Socks for girls- navy blue knee-length socks or navy stockings
- Socks for boys- navy crew-length socks
- A black or dark brown belt must be worn with pants (K-1<sup>st</sup> grade excluded)
- Skorts/skirts/dresses must be to the knee- we recommend purchasing below the knee for longer use
- Shoes- NO canvas for formal days- solid black or dark brown, solid black or brown soles- the soles may be slightly lighter, but they must be the same color.
- Blue or black shorts should be worn under all skirts and dresses

### KG – 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOLARS

#### GIRLS

- Light blue button-down short sleeve shirt- Oxford
- K-3<sup>rd</sup> Clear Blue Plaid Jumper
- 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Clear Blue Plaid Box Pleat Skirt
- Navy cross tie is only for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> uniform

#### BOYS

- Light blue button-down short sleeve shirt- Oxford
- Solid navy necktie
- Navy pants

### 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOLARS

#### GIRLS

- White button-down short sleeve shirt- Oxford
- Classic Navy Plaid Box Pleat Skirt
- Classic Navy Plaid necktie

#### BOYS

- White button-down short sleeve shirt- Oxford
- Navy necktie
- Khaki pants

### 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOLARS

#### GIRLS

- White button-down short sleeve shirt- Oxford
- Navy necktie
- Classic Navy Plaid Box Pleat Skirt

#### BOYS

- White button-down short sleeve shirt- Oxford
- Striped (navy, gold) necktie
- Khaki pants



## **SEPTEMBER 2019 LUNCH MENU**

**REMINDER: YOU MUST PREORDER LUNCH BEFORE 3 AM ON THE DAY OF**

**\$3 for lunch**

**\$1 for snacks or candy**

**\$1 for bottled water, juice, and Gatorade**

**\$0.50 for milk (all flavors)**

**\$1.50 for an extra slice of pizza on Fridays (must be preordered)**

### **SEPTEMBER 3**

Chicken Pattie, Baked Beans, Peaches, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 4**

Nachos and Cheese, Refried Beans, Pears, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 5**

Hotdogs, Chips, Fruit Cocktail, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 6**

Pizza, Romaine Salad, Oranges, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 9**

Meatball Subs, Chips, Fruit Cocktail, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 10**

Corndogs, Baked Beans, Peaches, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 11**

Turkey Wrap, Chips, Pears, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 12**

Mac and Cheese, Green Beans, Apples, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 13**

Pizza, Romaine Salad, Oranges, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 16**

Hotdogs, Corn, Peaches, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 17**

Nachos and Cheese, Yellow Rice, Oranges, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 18**

Turkey Sandwich, Chips, Mandarin, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 19**

Pancakes, Sausage, Banana, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 20**

Pizza, Romaine Salad, Oranges, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 23**

Cheese Burgers, Baked Beans, Peaches, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 24**

Chicken Ranch Wraps, Chips, Pears, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 25**

Turkey Sandwich, Chips, Mandarin, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 26**

Chicken Nuggets, Steamed Carrots, Apples, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 27**

Pizza, Romaine Salad, Oranges, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

### **SEPTEMBER 30**

Chicken Alfredo, Corn, Fruit Cocktail, Chocolate, White, or Strawberry Milk

**CASH (NO CHECKS) CAN BE SENT WITH YOUR SCHOLAR TO BE ADDED TO THEIR ACCOUNT  
TO AVOID THE \$1.95 CREDIT CARD CONVENIENCE FEE CHARGED ON THE WEBSITE.  
CHECKS WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU.**





## Focus Parent Portal Registration Directions

Please Note: FOCUS is designed to work in Google's Chrome web browser, while it usually works in other browsers like Apple's Safari or Mozilla's Firefox, it will not work in Microsoft's Internet Explorer.

### **For Parents that Do Not Have an Account**

1. To register for a Focus parent account, use the registration site listed below:  
<https://focus.oneclay.net/focus/auth/>
2. Click on the link I DO NOT have an Account Registered on the Parent Portal, but my child is Actively Enrolled.
3. Focus will ask the following basic questions needed for registration. Complete those questions and click Submit. **Remember to make a note of your password.**

 A registration form titled 'Please enter your name exactly as it appears on your driver's license as well as a valid email address:'. It contains five input fields: 'Parent/Guardian First Name: (Required)', 'Parent/Guardian Last Name: (Required)', 'Email Address: (Required)', 'Create Password: (Minimum 8 characters)', and 'Retype Password: (Required)'. Below the fields is a CAPTCHA box with the text 'I'm not a robot' and a 'Submit' button.

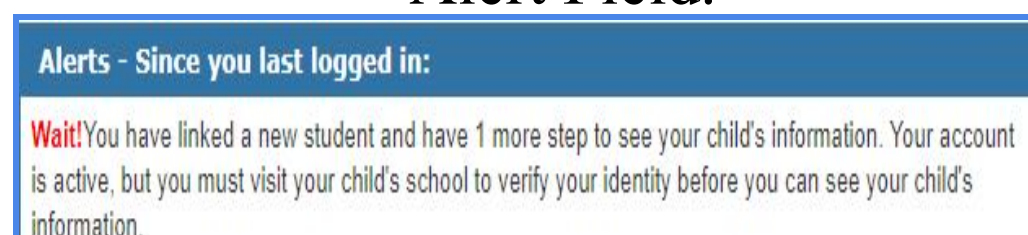
4. Click on "I would like to ADD ANOTHER CHILD who is already enrolled"
5. Now complete the following information for the student. Click Add Student.

 A form titled 'Please enter your student's information:'. It has two input fields: 'Student ID: (Required)' and 'Student's Birthdate: (Required)'. The birthdate field is a date picker showing 'January 1, 2019'. Below the fields is an 'Add Student' button and a link: '[ Return to the Student listing. ]'.

6. After completing those steps you will see a quick summary of the information for the student that access is being requested for.
7. You can add an additional student or you can finish adding students and create the account.

[ I would like to ADD ANOTHER CHILD who is already enrolled. ]  
[ I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal. ]

8. Once completed you will be taken to the Parent Portal. This message will be visible in the Alert Field.



A parent who is registering a student for the first time must come into the school and present identification as well as present a signed authorization form before access can be granted.

**The Parent account will not be connected to the student until you have visited your child's school and shown your identification. This is a two-step process and the school is the second step in connecting you with your student(s).**

### **For Parents that Already Have an Account but Need to Add a Child**

1. Go to the Focus Parent Authorization Site: <https://focus.oneclay.net/focus/auth/>
2. Click on "I have an account registered on the parent portal but would like to add a child" link.
3. Login using the parent User ID and Password.
4. Now complete the following information for the student. Click Add Student.

 A form titled 'Please enter your student's information:'. It has two input fields: 'Student ID: (Required)' and 'Student's Birthdate: (Required)'. The birthdate field is a date picker showing 'January 1, 2019'. Below the fields is an 'Add Student' button and a link: '[ Return to the Student listing. ]'.

5. After completing those steps you will see a quick summary of the information for the student that access is being requested for.
6. You can add an additional student or you can finish adding students and create the account.

[ I would like to ADD ANOTHER CHILD who is already enrolled. ]  
[ I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal. ]

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### TWIRLER INFORMATION

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### PARENT'S INFORMATION

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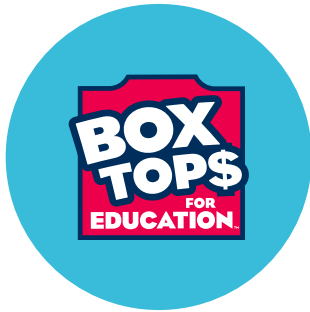
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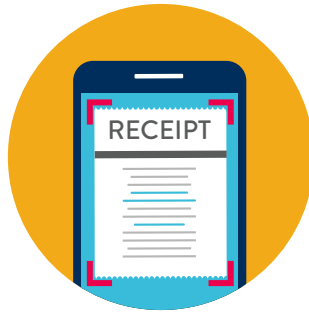


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# FACTS OF LICE

1

Head lice do not fly, jump, or swim.

2

Head lice infestations happen with direct head-to-head contact. It is **extremely** rare to get head lice any other way. Less than 2% of head lice comes from the environment.

3

An adult female louse can lay over 100 eggs in her lifetime which, on average, is 30 days.

4

Head lice only live on the human head, not your pets, body or stuffed toys.

5

A head lice infestation is **not** an indication of poor hygiene. Having clean hair or dirty hair doesn't influence if you get lice, it's just bad luck!

6

Once one person in a household gets lice, there is a significant chance that someone else will become infested.

7

Head lice are not dangerous! They do not carry or spread any diseases. They are just a nuisance.



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# LICE IN YOUR HOME: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



## HEAD LICE! IN YOUR HOME!

Before you run for cleaning products, here are some things you need to know. Head lice infestations almost always occur through direct head-to-head contact, but there is a miniscule chance that you could be exposed from a pillowcase.

WASH AND DRY  
BEDDING



USED IN THE  
PAST 24 HOURS



USE HOT WATER AND  
HIGH HEAT SETTING



## IT'S NOTHING TO DREAD, LICE ONLY LOVE YOUR HEAD

You don't have to worry about delousing any other parts of your home. Scientific studies have shown it is **extremely rare** for lice to be on carpets, furniture, brushes or combs. Even if they were, they would be nearly incapable of getting back on a head.

That said, if it gives you more peace of mind, you can always vacuum and/or use a sticky lint roller on sofas, chairs and carpets. You can place combs, hairbrushes and ponytail holders in a plastic baggie and leave them in the freezer overnight. This is not necessary, but it's easy to do if it makes you feel better.

**Head lice do not live** on stuffed toys or your pets. No need to put toys in a bag in the garage for weeks, and you don't need to wrestle your pets into the bathtub. There is no need to use any bug bombs or sprays that claim to kill lice on your pets, or in your home. They are not necessary and many are toxic and ineffective.



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APART**

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