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Learn the True, Do the Good, Love the Beautiful

A Message from Headmaster Johnson

Dear Parents,

These are exciting times at St Johns Classical Academy! We recently opened our athletic field for our very first home soccer games, and both the boys and girls teams are doing well. Construction of our new classrooms is on schedule, and we have been clearing land to make way for a high school soccer field. We are still seeking ways to fund a gymnasium, which will provide multiple opportunities for our athletics program. Academically, we are expanding cocurricular (electives) opportunities as we hire new teachers. Stay tuned for ways all parents can be involved in our efforts to fully meet our school's mission.

Just as our scholars and faculty are striving to be life-long learners, I encourage our parents to do the same. One way we can do this is by enrolling in continuing education courses. Hillsdale College offers stellar free online classes. I encourage parents to begin taking <u>Constitution 101</u>: <u>The Meaning and History of the Constitution</u>, which will help prepare you for our big celebration of the U.S. Constitution on American Constitution Day, September 17, 2021. On that day SJCA will celebrate our Constitution by holding spectacular event, and we want parents to be involved. The best way to get involved is to join us in this study of our Constitution and to gain a better understanding of how our nation is truly exceptional. Learn more about this course at this link: (https://online.hillsdale.edu/landing/constitution-101). As we get closer to the Constitution Day event, I will send further details.

With so much turmoil in the world and in our very nation, I count it a privilege to serve at a school that emphasizes the principles of virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility. In fact, just recently, some faculty and I were discussing a couple of our scholars who have greatly matured over this school year. There is no doubt that we are building intelligent, virtuous American citizens.

Be Steadfast.

Be Lion Strong!

Headmaster Johnson

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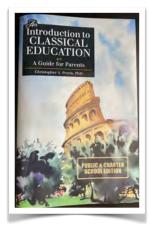
Singapore Math Workbooks and Textbooks for Sale

We have extra copies of Primary Mathematics workbooks and textbooks in our Curriculum Closet. These books align with the Singapore's most recent version, *Dimensions*, currently used at SJCA. If you would like your scholar to practice math at home over the summer, we are selling these books for \$5 each. These books are a great option to provide students with either remediation or enrichment. You are welcome to purchase any edition you choose. Each grade level has an A and B option in

both the workbook and textbook. The A version covers first semester, and B covers second semester material. Please use the ordering form at the end of this newsletter if you would like make a purchase.

Want to Know More About Classical Education?

We purchased 25 copies of *An Introduction to Classical Education: A Guide for Parents* by Christopher A. Perrin, PhD. These books are available to our families to check out for two weeks. Please contact Mrs. Phillips at 904-458-8240 if you would like us to send a copy home with your scholar. It explains both the history of Classical education and the benefits of studying the Great Books.



Hillsdale College's Monthly Speech Digest, Imprimus

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Past issues are available at: <u>https://imprimis.hillsdale.edu</u>

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SJCA Run/Walk Club Finishes Strong

The Run/Walk Club met on Thursdays from October 15th through April 29th. We had 119 students that ran at least a lap and 91 students who ran more than 10 miles, with our top student running 69.9 miles. We had 61 students earn their Marathon Medal (26.2 miles) this year. We participated in two Florida Striders races and earned \$245 in prize money for participation, not to mention one first place finish and two top 10 finishers. As a club, we completed 2841.76 miles this year. To put that into perspective, that is the same as walking or running from the school to within 100 miles of Portland, OR. We surpassed the milestones of 5,000 miles at SJCA by those who are participating this year, and 10,000 miles, ending with 12,288 miles for SJCA by those who have ever participated in Run/Walk at SJCA or a previous school. The students have shown dedication and perseverance working in meeting their goals, while having fun socializing with friends. If you are interested in joining this exciting club, we will be back in October, ready to run!

Youth Offerings from Clay County Sheriff's Office

Visit <u>this link</u> to find out more about the various offerings provided by our local Sheriff's Office. Activities are available for students of all ages.



Student Services Information for ESE, 504, ESOL, and MTSS

If you have questions pertaining to student services, please, feel free to email us.

•ESE: <u>Jan.clifton@stjca.org</u> or <u>Sally.McGinn@stjca.org</u>

•Speech/Language therapy: <u>Cari.hermes@stjca.org</u>

•Gifted: <u>Tammi.luke@stjca.org</u>

•504: <u>Angela.livesay@stjca.org</u>

•ESOL: <u>Jan.clifton@stjca.org</u>

•MTSS (Multi -Tier System of Supports): <u>Randi.cox@stjca.org</u> or <u>Rachel.freeman@stjca.org</u>

Our department works very closely with the Clay County School District ESE Department. We have a Clay County Staffing Specialist, in our offices weekly, who is a wealth of knowledge concerning ESE matters, for you and for us. We also have a Clay County School Psychologist with us weekly to assist us with our MTSS compliance and in evaluating our students. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please start with us. We are happy to use our resources to find answers for you.

*Please use the link below to visit the district ESE website. You will find information on ESE programs and parent resources. Also, please complete the ESE Parent survey here, to give us feedback.

https://www.oneclay.net/Page/282

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) for 7th-9th Grade

It is time to induct new members to NJHS. Inductees must submit their applications to Ms. Turner by May 14th. The Induction Ceremony will be held on May 27th at 6:00 p.m. in SJCA's cafeteria.

National Latin Exam

By Ms. Kane, Upper School Latin

I am ecstatic to report that 18 scholars received awards on the National Latin Exam this year. We had more scholars participate than ever before, and their dedication shows in their scores.

Scholars have been notified they will receive an award, which will be handed out during the Upper School Awards Ceremony later this month.

I am extremely proud of all the scholars who took the exam. They attended after school review sessions, studied in addition to their normal homework load, and remained after school on a Friday for the exam. I am honored to teach at a school where students are not only willing, but are excited to participate in academic opportunities beyond the curriculum.



Kindergarten-5th Grade Art

By Mrs. Rice, Lower School Art Teacher

Third grade is finishing up their project on quilts. We learned about the history of early American quilts and how they evolved from a utilitarian object into a work of art. We looked at narrative quilts by Faith Ringold as well as a historic "Double Irish Chain Quilt" from the 1800's. Each student created two quilt squares, one "pinwheel" and one "simplex star". We used solid colored and patterned craft paper to assemble each square. We pieced them together to make these beautiful classroom quilts.

Curriculum Showcases

This month, we are hosting Curriculum Showcase Nights. This is a time when parents can come to see and hear what scholars learn at SJCA. Teachers will have samples of scholars' work on display in the cafeteria; chosen scholars will also present selections from our curriculum on stage. If you have friends or family that are interested in learning more about SJCA, please make sure to invite them. We look forward to seeing all of you.

May 3rd at 6:00

May 10th at 6:00

9th through 11th Grade

3rd through 5th Grade

<u>May 17th at 6:00</u>

Kindergarten through 2nd Grade



Leadership! Teamwork! Discipline! Courage!

Camp Cadet is a tuition free, one week event, staffed by State and Local Police and Sheriff's Departments and R.O.T.C. Personnel from Bradford, Clay, Duval, and Nassau Counties. The Officers and Deputies serve as Camp Staff, Counselors, and Instructors. The program is designed to give boys and girls, ages 12 through 15, a better understanding of law enforcement training and responsibilities while living in the atmosphere of a police training academy. Emphasis is placed on developing Leadership Skills, Self-Discipline, Self-Esteem, and Confidence Building through Teamwork, Accomplishments, and Making New Friends. Attendees gain better relationships with local law enforcement, as well as experiencing exercises in developing leadership and teamwork skills. This is done by a rugged schedule of training based on a modified law enforcement educational syllabus. Cadets receive instruction in numerous aspects of law enforcement and public service which will challenge them physically and mentally. Categories of training include Crime Scene Processing, Trial Procedures (including a mock criminal trial), Leadership Skills, CPR and many challenging physical activities. All instruction is presented via classroom and hands-on training.

CAMP CADET IS TUITION FREE!!! Now Accepting Applications for the 2021 Camp! Date for the 2021 Camp is June 20th through June 26th

Go to our website!

www.flcampcadet.com



Scan with your mobile device to go directly to the Camp Cadet Web Page Or our Facebook page!



Or contact us by phone 904-248-2717 Or Email flcampcadet@yahoo.com

To Donate to Northeast Florida Camp Cadet go to: http://www.flcampcadet.com/sponsor-or-donate-today.html

Mother's Day Out

(SJCA Fundraiser for Junior-Senior Trip)

When: Saturday, May 8, 2021

Time: 12pm-3pm

Where: SJCA (sign-in in cafeteria)

What: Childcare for mothers to have an afternoon out

Cost: Suggested donation of \$20 per family

Due Date: Reservation form and money are due by Friday, May 7th

Drop your school-age child(ren) off at SJCA any time between 12pm-3pm. High School students will entertain with crafts and a movie to give mothers an afternoon to themselves. (Due to Covid, these services can only be provided to SJCA scholars.)

Please make sure to feed your children before dropping them off, or send them with a snack.

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Primary Mathematics Order Form

The price for each book is \$5. Please enter the quantity desired next to each title. Textbooks are in used condition; workbooks are brand new. Quantities are limited in some grade levels; books will be handed out on a first-come-first-served basis. Send cash or check and the completed order form to school.

Kindergarten	Fourth Grade
Primary Mathematics KA Textbook	Primary Mathematics 4A Textbook
Primary Mathematics KB Textbook	Primary Mathematics 4B Textbook
Primary Mathematics KA Workbook	Primary Mathematics 4A Workbook
Primary Mathematics KB Workbook	Primary Mathematics 4B Workbook
First Grade	Fifth Grade
Primary Mathematics 1A Textbook	Primary Mathematics 5A <i>Textbook</i>
Primary Mathematics 1B Textbook	Primary Mathematics 5B Textbook
Primary Mathematics 1A Workbook	Primary Mathematics 5A Workbook
Primary Mathematics 1B Workbook	Primary Mathematics 5B Workbook
Second Grade	
Primary Mathematics 2A Textbook	
Primary Mathematics 2B Textbook	
Primary Mathematics 2A Workbook	
Primary Mathematics 2B Workbook	Total Quantity x \$5 per book
Third Grade	Total Amount Due
Primary Mathematics 3A Textbook	Scholar's Name
Primary Mathematics 3B Textbook	Teacher
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