THE LION LINE

Learn the True, Do the Good, Love the Beautiful

A Message from Headmaster Johnson

Dear Parents,

It is important for noble institutions to establish traditions. At SJCA, we are committed to creating enduring traditions. Our Second Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser was a tremendous success, and we are already planning for our Second Annual Winter Dinner in January. We also held our first Virtue Awards Ceremony a couple of weeks ago, which will be held quarterly moving forward. Recently, I sent our sixth-grade parents information about Transitio, which is a hike on Cumberland Island in February. Transitio symbolizes the scholars' transition from Lower School to Upper School, which will also become an annual tradition.

As we prepare to graduate our first class of seniors, our effort to achieve our school's mission continues. In November, two significant visits will occur on campus. First, the Cognia Accreditation Team will spend time with us from November 1st through November 3rd to ensure we have demonstrated a commitment to continual school improvement through the accreditation process. Beyond meeting this gold standard of approval, accreditation will do much for our school, including opening the door to compete in local school sports conferences. During the third week of November, Clay County District Schools, our charter school authorizer, will dispatch their evaluation team to SJCA and recommend to either extend or deny our school charter. So there are no unforeseen issues, I assure you that administration, faculty, and staff are doing everything necessary to secure charter renewal. Since we received an "A" school rating for the 2020-2021 school year, we applied for High-Performing Charter School status through the Florida Department of Education and received confirmation that we will, in fact, be awarded this prestigious honor.

Finally, I am excited to announce that SJCA is in the process of registering with the NCAA Eligibility Center, will ensure eligibility to scholars seeking an athletic scholarship. Because it is just one more way for SJCA to expand its athletic program and provide more opportunities for our scholars, we are pleased to add the NCAA to our athletic portfolio.

Lion Strong!

Mr. Johnson

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Needed: SJCA Crossing Guards

As many of you know, SJCA has needed crossing guards for years. Now, an allocation has been provided for this position, but we desperately need people to fill it. The Clay County Sheriff's Office has requested direct assistance from the Academy in hiring for the Crossing Guard position at the corner of Country Road 220 and Lakeshore Drive. They have asked us to reach out to our families to fill this important safety position. If you or someone you know is willing to serve SJCA's needs, please apply online at www.claysheriff.com. Morning work hours are from 7:00 to 8:30; afternoon work hours are from 2:30 to 3:30 daily except for Wednesdays. Since we have early dismissal on Wednesdays, the afternoon hours are from 12:30 to 1:30. Crossing guards will be trained, paid \$13.00 per hour, earn retirement through the state of Florida, and have summers off. The Sheriff's office is an equal opportunity employer and is a drug-free workplace. Our families and scholars greatly appreciate your willingness to perform this crucial duty to protect them as they travel to and from school.

Mark Your Calendar: Important Upcoming Dates

- * November 11th: Veteran's Day, No School
- * November 12th: Remote Learning Day, No Live or On-Campus Instruction
- * November 22nd-26th: Thanksgiving Break, No School
- * December 15th, 16th, 17th: Early Release (6th-12th Grade Dismiss at 10:45; Kindergarten-5th Grade Dismisses at 11:15)
- * **December 20th-3rd:** Christmas/New Year Holiday, No School
- + January 4th: Students Return

Fundraiser: Holiday Dress Up Days Coming in December

Our annual Holiday Dress-Up Days return this year. Display your holiday cheer while also supporting SJCA's fundraising efforts. Each day will cost \$2 to participate, which is voluntary.

- Wednesday, December 15th: \$2 Ugly Sweater Day
- Thursday, December 16th: \$2 Country Christmas Day
- Friday, December 17th: \$2 Pajama Day

Date Change: Rise Against Hunger Food Packing

Our Rise Against Hunger Food Packing event will be held on Saturday, November 6th. To learn more about Rise Against Hunger, go to <u>riseagainsthunger.org</u>. This will be a fun event to prepare food bags for third-world countries. We need volunteers to set up stations, make the food bags, and clean up. If you would like to volunteer and earn service hours, please contact Mrs. McGinn or Mrs. Livesay as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.

Canned Food Drive

Let's do the good for less-fortunate families in Clay County. Interact Club is collecting canned goods and non-perishable food items from October 1-November 24, 2021. Donations will be delivered to Good Samaritan Anglican Church for their November and December food giveaways. Please send donations to school with your scholar, or drop them off at the Reception building.



Turkey Feather Competition

The Fine Arts Booster Club Turkey Feather Competition sales begins on Monday, November 15th and runs through Friday, November 19th. Each feather will cost 25 cents. Each classroom will be provided a poster board on which to glue or tape the feathers; the scholars will help tally feathers daily. The class or house with the most feathers wins. The winning class in kindergarten through fifth grade will win a pizza party on a day selected by the teacher. The Upper School Houses will each compete against the sixth grade. The winner will win a free Spirit Day on Friday, December 3rd.



HALLWAY LIBRARY

It is a proud moment for SJCA to announce that we are ready to begin constructing the 3rd-5th Grade Hallway Library.

We have a woodworker who will be handcrafting the beautiful library shelves.

We are in need of Home Depot gift cards.

Please donate what you can, when you can, and know that it is greatly appreciated by the scholars and teachers of SJCA.

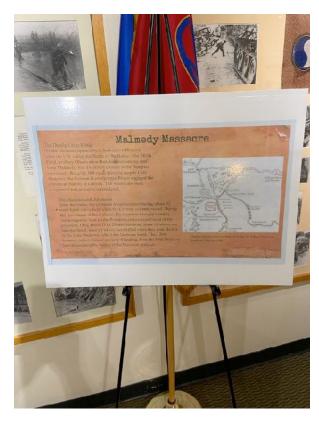
Send all gift cards to the administration building labeled "Hallway Library".

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to Ms. Weaver at jackie.weaver@stjca.org. Thank you for your continued support!!

Veteran's Day at Camp Blanding Museum

By Wendell Miguelangel Feliciano-Berrocales, former History Club President

On November 11th, we celebrate one of the most important days in American history. 103 years ago, the fighting of the brutal First World War ceased at 11:11 PM on November 11th. This day would come to be known as Armistice Day, and eventually, as Veterans' Day. At StJCA, we have personally been invested in honoring those who have dedicated their lives, and often lost them for this great nation. This is why, last year, our student-led History Club decided to create a presentation about a group of heroes we believed to be much too forgotten by the sands of time. This gracious opportunity was provided to us by Dr. George Cressman of the Camp Blanding Museum, who not only provided us with the necessary information about our selected topic, The Malmédy Massacre, but also gave us the chance to display our hard work and efforts in a professional setting, for all visitors of the Museum to witness. Now, as the Museum once came to our aid, we find it fitting that our students should come to the Museum's aid. At the request of Headmaster Johnson, we are formally extending an invitation to all seniors and non-seniors to come out to Camp Blanding Museum on November 11th, the same day of the signing of the Armistice, and volunteer in the activities. However, if you do not wish to volunteer, then we would be more than happy to have you come by and see the Malmédy Massacre display made by the SJCA History Club, partake in the festivities, and celebrate the great contributions made by those who dedicated their lives to preserving the freedoms of the United States of America. We hope to see you there.







FAMILY DAY AT CAMP BLANDING MUSEUM VETERANS DAY

5629 SR 16W Bldg 3040
Starke, FL 32091-9703
November 11, 2021
Short Ceremony on Museum Steps at 11:00AM
Stay for Lunch - Food at WWII Prices!

FREE LIMITED EDITION TSHIRT

Noon until 2:00 P.M.

For the first 100 Veterans

For more information call the Museum at (904)682-3165

Teacher of the Year and Support Employee of the Year

SJCA is proud to recognize Mrs. Amanda Kascan and Mrs. Melinda Mann for winning the honor of being named the Teacher of the Year and Support Employee of the Year. Their contributions to the Academy are enormous. This recognition by faculty and staff members is well deserved by both.







SJCA's



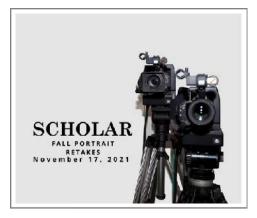
BISCUIT FUNDRAISER

Scholars are invited to order Chik-fil-A biscuits that will be delivered to the school on **Friday, November 5**. Orders will be distributed in the cafeteria from 7:00-8:00am. The cost is **\$4** per biscuit.

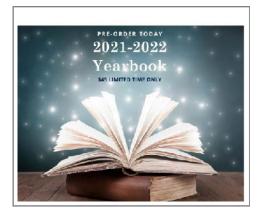
All orders are due by **Wednesday, October 27** and must be paid for in

All orders are due by **Wednesday, October 27** and must be paid for in advance. All proceeds help support the 8th Grade Trip to DC.

Student:	Grade:		
Teacher:	Number of Biscuits:		









SJCA Student Services

If you have questions about our programs, please reach out to the appropriate person via email. We are happy to help.

*Jan.clifton@stjca.org: Kindergarten through 5th grade

•Angela.livesay@stjca.org: 6th grade, 7th grade, and 504

•<u>Sally.mcginn@stjca.org</u>: 8th-12th grade

•Sherri.glynn@stjca.org: MTSS

•Leah.braly@stjca.org: Speech and Language

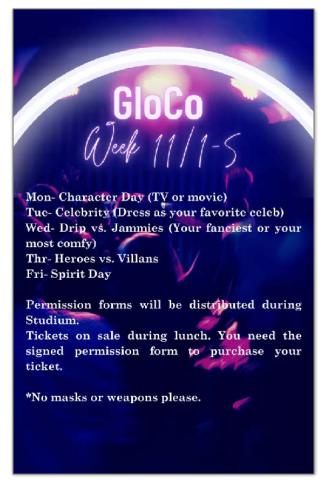
Rosie.baskett@stjca.org: Occupational Therapy

•Rachel.freeman@stjca.org: For questions related to meetings

•Tammi.luke@stjca.org: Gifted

Here is a resource some parents may find helpful: https://pediatrics.med.jax.ufl.edu/autism/









Doing the Good

Mrs. Hancock's fourth graders recently supported orphans in Bondo by sending gifts and writing letters. The class collected 50 pounds of toys to share with their new friends in Kenya. One of our parents, Mrs. DeLeon, transported the items to the children in Africa while traveling there as part of a mission trip.

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Fall Craft Opportunities

Fundraiser for 8th Gr Dc Trip

Pumpkin String Art- Monday, Nov. 9th 3:30-4:30

Paint on Pottery-Friday, Nov. 19th 3:30-4:30

Deadline to sign up and pay: Fri., Nov. 5th





Student Name	
Grade/Teacher	
Please select your project(s):	
Pumpkin String Art (\$15)	
Pottery (Fox/Raccoon) (\$10)	
Pottery Owl (\$10)	
Total payment included:	

The Lion Line 904-458-8240 10

(Turn in form and payment to Mrs. Hancock.)

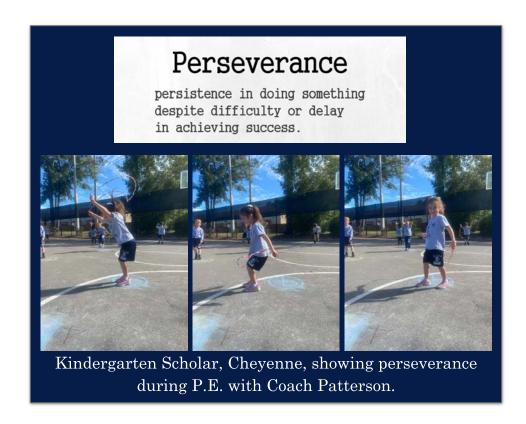


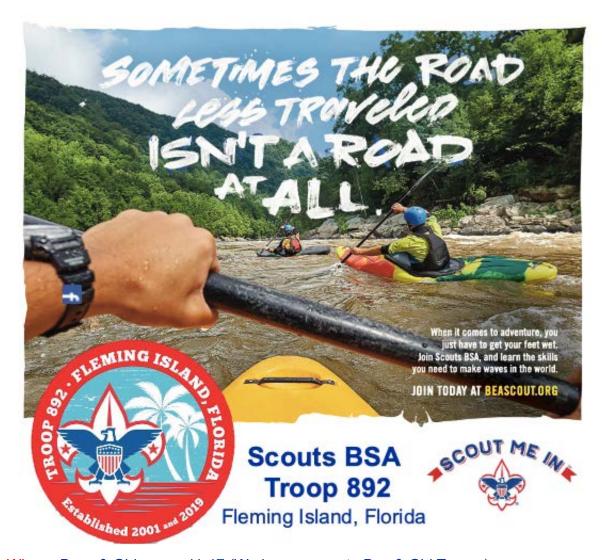
Application Link:
Lands' End School
Uniform Starboard
Scholarship

CALLING ALL STUDENT LEADERS!

We're excited to announce our 2021-2022 scholarship program is open for entries. Since 2019, we've awarded 19 scholarships—a total of \$165,000—to students who have shown exceptional leadership skills.

Up to five \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded to eligible Preferred School students in grades 8-12. Up to 1,000 applications will be accepted through 12/15/2021. Click below to share this information and the application with your school families.





Who: Boys & Girls ages 11-17 (We have separate Boy & Girl Troops)

Where: Meet Mondays, 6:30PM at Crossroad Lutheran Church, 5101 Lakeshore Dr. W camping/activities each month.

When: Scouts BSA is registering now to begin the path toward Eagle Scout!

What: Scouting is a year-round program designed to achieve the aims of Scouting (character, citizenship, & fitness) through a vigorous outdoor program and peer group leadership.

How: Contact Scoutmasters Chris or Kerry at 757.685.1587 (text ok) or e-mail

troop892bsa@gmail.com

f https://www.facebook.com/groups/bsatroop892



LION OLYMPICS

Each semester, Houses Athens, Corinth, Delphi, & Sparta will compete in a series of athletic and academic competitions known as the Lion Olympics. All scholars must participate in at least one olympic event. Please see your house Chancellor or Prefect to sign up for an event. All scholars will be required to wear a house shirt or solid house colors. 6th graders can weare SJCA spirit gear. More information on dress requirements are forthcoming.

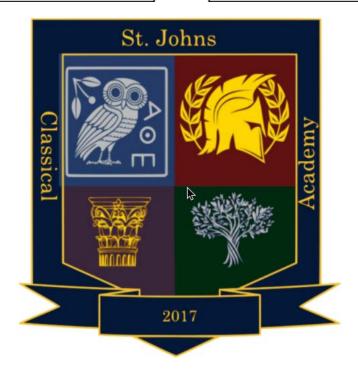
Pizza will be pre-ordered for lunch. \$5 for two slices and a drink.

Winter Olympics December 8, 2021

Trivia
Kickball
Soccer
Math Competition
Cornhole
Sentence Diagramming Race
Latin Selling Bee
Volleyball

Spring Olympics May 18, 2022

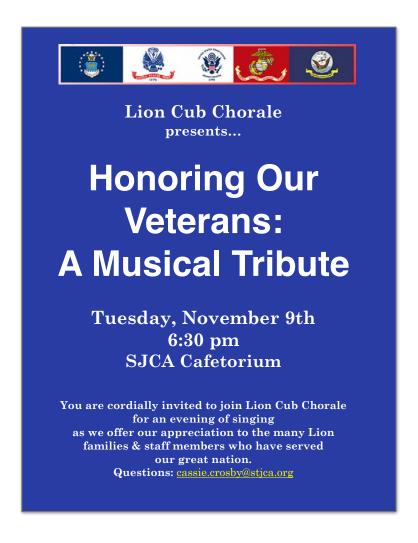
Trivia
Flag Football
Basketball
Poetry Recitation
Ultimate Frisbee
Latin Translation Race
Spelling Bee
Tug of War

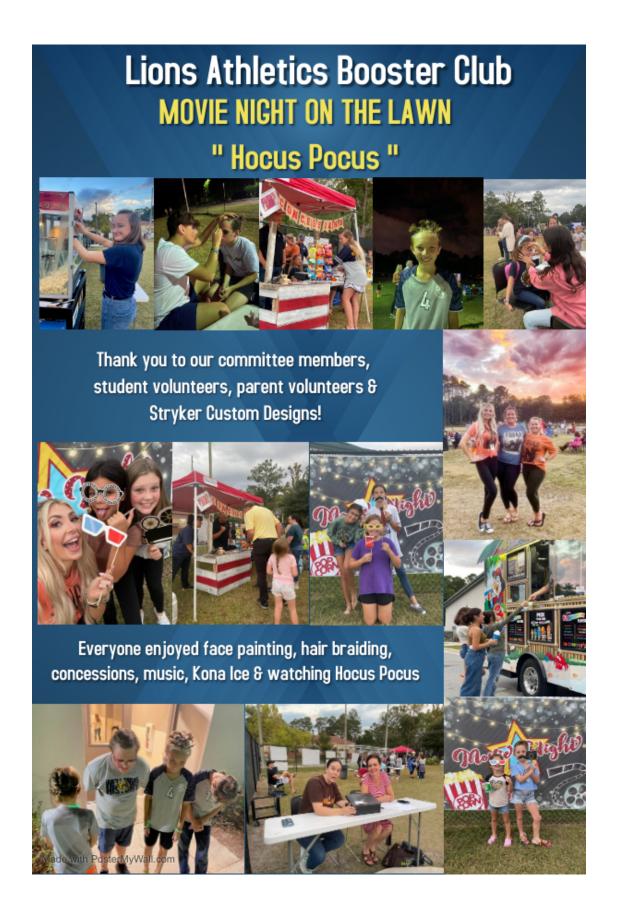


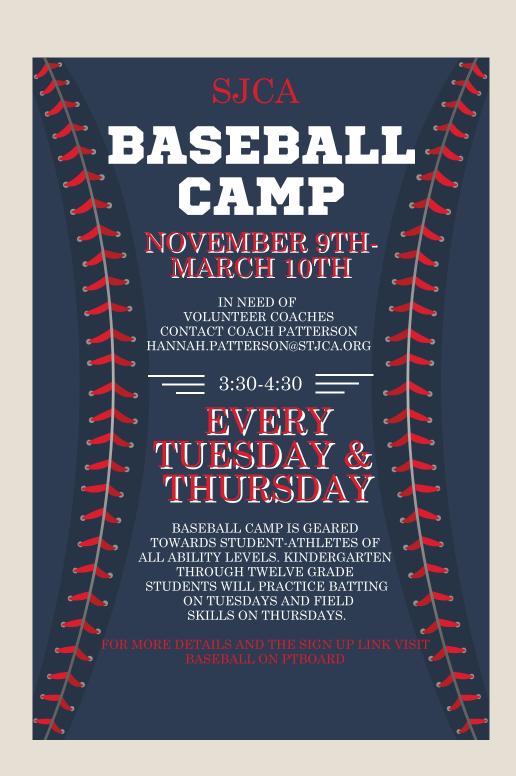
High School Exam Schedule

December- Semester 1 Exams				
Tuesday 14 th	Wednesday 15 th	Thursday 16 th	Friday 17 th	
Operate on a Wednesday Schedule 7:30-12:27	6 th Period Exam 7:30-9:05	4 th Period Exam 7:30-9:05	2 nd Period Exam 7:30-9:05	
7 th Period Exam 12:30-2:28	5 th Period Exam 9:10-10:40	3 rd Period Exam 9:10-10:40	1st Period Exam 9:10-10:40	

Sixth, seventh, and eighth grade scholars enrolled in a high school course will also take exams during exam week in December.











LADY LIONS VOLLEYBALL TEAM WINS DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP!



LACROSSE



Lacrosse is off to a great start! Visit PTBoard for more details.

LADY LIONS VOLLEYBALL TEAM WINS CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP!





CHEERLEADING



Headmaster Johnson and The Roaring Lions Cheer Team at the 2nd Annual Golf Tournament.

Baseball Club and Flag Football Tryouts are coming! Check out the PTBoard for more details.

We are in need of volunteer coaches. Email Coach Patterson if intrested.



2nd ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE Ctopper 18, 2021

Fleming Island Golf Club



With the combined efforts and contributions of our sponsors, volunteers, staff, and golfers, STJCA's Second Annual Golf Scramble was a huge success. Thank you to everyone one who contributed not only the day of the event, but prior to it as well. Henry Ford once said, "Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success." Our combined efforts produced a SOLD-OUT event that served not only our school but our community. Officer Shawn Hines of the Green Cove Police Department was the lucky winner of our putting contest, which started off the event.

Headmaster Johnson echoed the mission of our school and the importance of the work done every day by our faculty and staff to mold our students as future leaders through a classical education. Our school cheerleaders, led by coach Tanya Joson, motivated the crowd with cheers and stunts, and then they were off! It was a close race to the end with great golf played (the mulligan packages available may have contributed to some of that success).



Congratulations to the 2021 Scramble Winners



During the dinner at Hibernia Pub, the scores were calculated. Third place had a tie that came down to points and was awarded to Josh Scobee, Mark Tillman, and Brian Parker who were gifted a Foursome to Marsh Creek Country Club. Second place was awarded to Jim Dyal, Fred Track, Ty Caskey, and Nathan Freeman who won a Foursome to Marsh Landing Country Club. First place went to Thomas Dionne, Archie Lappin, and Oscar Cisero. They were awarded a Foursome at the prestigious Streamsong Resort. There were also prizes awarded for the longest drive on Hole #18 (Doug Peterson), longest drive on Hole #10 (Reese Richmond), and closest to the pin (Thomas Senecal).

This year, we held our first silent auction during the dinner that proved to be a great success. The highlight of the auction was a vacation package that included a three day/two night stay in a two-bedroom villa condominium at the prestigious Hammock Beach Resort, which included a round of golf for four at either the Ocean or Conservatory Course. Throughout the day, participants had the opportunity to participate in a 50/50 raffle that totaled \$1255. Congratulations to our winner, Mark Wrightman! All funds raised from this event will go directly towards the building of our new gym.

We are proud to host such an exciting event that not only helps raise money for our school but builds and fosters relationships that brings our community together. As Benjamin Franklin once said, "Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning." Our goal for this event is to continue to prosper each year by building on past success and to give back to our school and community. Thank you again to all our sponsors and to those who helped make this event possible. Be on the lookout for sign-ups next year, so you don't miss out in 2022.



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