

ST. JOHNS TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

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November 25, 2015 *“Home of the Wolves”*



Academy of Culinary Arts Students Apply Their Skills

The Academy of Culinary Arts students recently toured the kitchen and operations of the South Beach Grill in Crescent Beach. The visit included a presentation about the various aspects of running an independent restaurant, a chef led kitchen tour and a business office tour. The students also put their culinary skills to work by plating salads and desserts as well as, preparing fresh salad dressing for the restaurant’s lunch crowd. Ted McLemore, owner of the South Beach Grill, drew the analogy of running a restaurant to a manufacturing facility. Fresh



food inventory comes into the kitchen and his culinary team makes a delicious finished product to serve. The students were lucky enough taste the finished product with a complimentary lunch served on the restaurant’s patio overlooking the ocean.



APEX

As the end of the first grading period approaches, the 6th Grade team is contacting parents to discuss student progress. Middle school students are required to place their backpacks in their lockers at the beginning of each school day and carry their binders to each class.

Parent Appreciation Night

Parents please mark your calendars for our parent appreciation night and Parent University 2015. On December 10th please join us at 5:30. Catered Dinner from Carrabbas will be provided.



The B6 Club will be participating in four service projects this holiday season:

For our students- Monday, December 14th, 6th grades students will receive holiday goodie bags

For our school- Saturday, December 5th, B6 leaders will be volunteering at Barnes and Noble giftwrapping and reading books to children to help with the fundraiser.

For our teachers- Friday, December 11th, B6 will sponsor a holiday breakfast for the teachers

For our community- Saturday, December 12th, Santa Hat Beach Clean-up

If anyone would like more information about the B6 club, contact Megan Young.

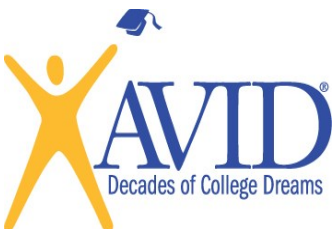
Parental Involvement Toolkit now available

November is Florida Family Engagement in Education Month. Research shows that, regardless of family income or background, students whose parents and families are engaged in their academic lives are more likely to have the following:

- >Higher grades, test scores and graduation rates;
- >Better school attendance;
- >Increased motivation and self-esteem;
- >Lower rates of suspension;
- >Decreased use of drugs and alcohol; and Fewer instances of violent behavior.

DOE has developed a toolkit to help you work with families and community-based organizations to increase family engagement. It is available at:

<http://www.fldoe.org/schools/family-community/activities-programs/parental-involvement.stml>



SAC Needs YOU!

Meetings are scheduled **every 3rd Thursday of the month @8:30am in the media center**

**Interested in contributing?
Please contact Juliet Hart
(Juliet.Hart@stjohns.k12.fl.us)**

Parents Mark Your Calendars

Nov 26-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 18	End of 2nd quarter
Dec 21-Jan 4	Winter Break
Jan 5	Teacher planning/ Student Holiday
Jan 6	Classes resume
Jan 11	Report Cards issued
Jan 18	Teacher/Student Holiday

Tutoring

After School Tutoring began on Wednesday September 16th. Tutoring will run from 2:45 to 3:45 each Wednesday. Tutoring is mandatory for all middle school students.

Dates

December	2nd & 9th
January	6th, 13th & 20th
February	3rd, 10th & 17th
March	2nd, 9th & 16th
April	6th & 13th

FSA Testing information and practice

Families are encouraged to take advantage of the information and resources available on the Florida Standards Assessments portal (www.FSAssessments.org) and the FDOE website (www.fldoe.org). More resources will be made available throughout the 2015–2016 school year, so parents and students should check these websites regularly for updates.

Senior cap and gown measurements and orders are due to Ms. Lynn before Holiday Break.

Yearbooks on sale \$35 – Jan 1 \$40

Senior Ads - \$30 ¼ page - \$60 ½ page - \$100 full page

Spread the Word!

Barnes & Noble Book Fair

Just mention St. Johns Tech as you make a purchase at Barnes & Noble on Saturday, December 5th, and they will donate a portion of the sale to our school! (Good only at St. Augustine location and on that date)

Parents

VERY IMPORTANT!!

You need to be an approved volunteer to chaperone a field trip or go down the hall for a conference with your child's teacher. **This is very important.** Please take the time to fill out your school access form. You may go on to the St. Johns County web page to get your school access form.

www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/depts/cr/volunteer

SJTHS 8th grade science fair is scheduled for Monday, December 7 at 9:30 a.m. Students are working on their projects

7th grade Research students have been conducting experiments in water quality analysis.

8th grade students participated in Mrs. Lane's History and Mrs. Moore's Science Research field trip to Ft. Matanzas National Monument on Friday, 11/13/15.

Would You Like to Volunteer as a Surrogate Parent?

What is a surrogate parent?

"...an individual appointed to act in the place of a parent in educational decision-making and in safeguarding a child's rights under the [federal] Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and [state law]."
§ 39.0016(1)(c), Fla. Stat.

Who needs a surrogate parent?

A student with a disability or a student who is suspected of having a disability, needs a surrogate parent when the natural parent or guardian is unknown, or the whereabouts of the natural parent or guardian cannot be determined, or the child is a ward of the state or ward of the court under the laws of the State of Florida.

St. Johns County School District is searching for surrogate parents

If you are interested in learning more about the significant role a surrogate parent plays in the lives of our students, then please join us:

When: Friday, October 30th, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Where: The School Board Office, 40 Orange Street, St Augustine, FL 32084

To Register: call the SJCS Office of Exceptional Student Education (ESE) at 904-547-7712



ESE PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

St Johns County Schools (SJCS), The ARC, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR)

and Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) offer

Topic: TRANSITION PLANNING

Date/Time: 12/1/15 from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Creekside High School – 100 Knights Lane, St. Johns, FL 32259

A way to Help SJTHS with your Target Red Card

1. Link your RED CARD you our school by logging in online and enrolling in Take Charge of Education. (our school is listed under First Coast High School but the address is correct, we are trying to get the listing changed)
2. Shop at Target and pay with your RED CARD (if you don't already have one you should get it , it saves you 5% every time you check out) target will then donate 1% of all purchases to our school. Nothing more for you to do it's that simple.