

ST. JOHNS TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

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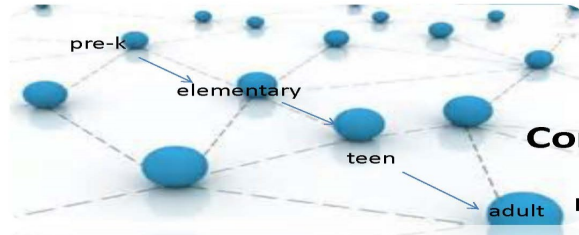
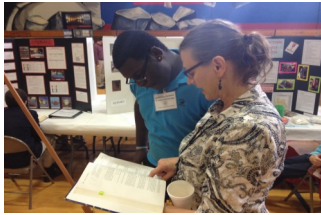
Mrs. Jennifer Gamble
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Mr. Richard Church
Guidance Counselor

Digital Pilot High School

February 13, 2015

“Home of the Wolves”



Connecting the Dots....

Featured speaker:
Kathie Snow “Disability is Natural”

Saturday, April 11, 2015, 9-4pm

Christ’s Church, 6045 Greenland Road, Jacksonville, FL 32258

Registration opens at 8am
 Includes box lunch

also including local speakers & resources for persons with disabilities:

- *Pre-K/Elementary-aged
- *Teen/Young Adult
- *Adult/Aging

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The Prowell Family



The Future of Our Water is in the Hands of Our Next Generation Stewards

St. Johns Technical High School’s Academy of Coastal and Water Resources students are participating in job shadowing careers at local area water utilities. St. Johns County Utilities and the City of St. Augustine are hosting this invaluable program in which Intermediate and Advanced Environmental Water Technologies students learn alongside water utility employees.

Last year, St. Johns County Utilities showcased careers in its Water and Wastewater Treatment facilities, the Environmental Lab and Customer Service. This year, the program has expanded to include the City of St Augustine’s Water and Wastewater Treatment facilities. Students learn first-hand what it takes to succeed in water industry careers. The students also gain an understanding and an appreciation in protecting this most precious resource.



Parents Mark Your Calendars

February 16	No School Presidents Day
March 2	FSA Testing Begins 6-12th Grades
March 13th	Student Holiday
March 16-20	Spring Break
March 25	APEX Applications due
March 27	Report Cards
May 25	No School Memorial Day
May 27	Graduation 7:00pm

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

APEX Program applications for the 2015-16 school year are available now on our SJTHS website. All middle school Guidance Counselors also have application packets. Application deadline is March 25, 2015.

CHARACTER COUNTS!

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WE CAN, CAN YOU?

With the support of Publix Supermarkets and the Jacksonville Jaguars, SJTHS is getting community involved by collecting canned food from February 16 through February 27. Game on middle and high school students. The challenge is to see who can collect more canned goods – Middle school or High School. The winning homerooms in Middle and High school will get a party.

With food donations decreasing, and food demands not, the need for canned food is even greater at the beginning of the New Year. The St. Francis House has called and is in dire need of canned food right now. One out of six people in our community is food insecure, not knowing where their next meal will come from. When considering children under the age of 18, the numbers rise from one out of four. By applying that metric to our school district, you will find that the need is tremendous. Depending upon the number of participating schools, Publix and the Jacksonville Jaguars have generously offered some amazing prizes!

Publix has committed to award gift cards to the winning schools as follows:

\$1,000 Publix gift card for the winning high school, middle school and elementary school

\$500 Publix gift card for the second place high school, middle school and elementary school

\$250 Publix gift card for the third place high school, middle school and elementary school

Also, as an added bonus, the school that collects the most food overall will be rewarded with a pep rally thrown by the Jaguars with special appearances by Jaguar players, members of the ROAR and the one and only Jaxson de Ville!

Although the prizes are wonderful incentives, the real winners will be the families who will receive the donated goods! All food collected by St. Johns County School District schools, will be distributed through food pantries and social service agencies such as St. Francis House.

Student Council News:

The Student Council has begun working on the garden! Volunteers who want to help weed or dig up the garden for planting are welcome. The Student Council will also be accepting donations of seeds and young plants. Mrs. Lane will be, weather permitting, in the garden on Fridays during lunch; other gardening parties will be announced on the intercom. We want to be ready to go by the beginning of March!

Tutoring and Clubs

Regular Tutoring will be held on Wednesdays 2:45-3:45.

Tutoring is required for all Middle School Students Transportation and snacks will be provided. All students will be required to ride buses if their ride is not here when dismissed.

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 2014–2015 school year, so parents and students should check these websites regularly for updates.

Science Fair

St. Johns Technical High School held its first school science fair in December 2014. At that time, two middle school student projects were chosen to represent SJTHS at the St. Johns County Regional Science Fair. The first chosen project was LeAisia Odom's that involved acid water effects on plants, using vinegar and marigolds. The second was Cornelius Stewart's project that was bomb calorimetry to find out the amount of calories in certain foods. Both students researched and prepared papers and presentation boards to display at the Regional Science Fair at Sebastian Middle School on Tuesday, February 10, 2015. Certificates of recognition were proudly displayed for each student during the Fair. Congratulations to all of our eighth grade representatives for the hard work and display of science knowledge.



Author and motivational speaker, Stephanie Perry Moore will be visiting our school on February 17th, along with her husband.

Stephanie Perry Moore is the author of approximately 80 books, including her newest two series, The Sharp Sisters and The Swoop List.

Derrick Moore, a former NFL football player, is also a motivational speaker, known for his pre-game speeches for the Georgia Tech football team.



These guest speakers are sure to fire up our students!

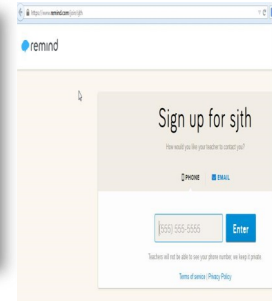
Ms. Abramowitz's Counselor's Corner

Attention Sixth Grade Parents:

All sixth grade students have been learning about anger and anger management coping skills during their weekly PE class. The goal of this program is to help your student learn coping skills so that they are able to manage their anger appropriately. This eight-week program has reached its half way mark and students have had their first quiz. To help students study vocabulary words, EDMODO has a link to the group and to Quizlet vocabulary words. There, students can practice their vocabulary through different flashcard games. If a student does not have access to EDMODO at home, handouts are provided with the words they need to know.

Students have already learned what the difference is between normal and problem anger, the anger rules, what are triggers and physical signs of anger. Next, they will be learning about the anger sequence, rational and irrational beliefs and how good communication skills will help with anger issues. They will also develop their own coping skills plan for them to practice. At the end of the course, students will bring home their completed folders for you to see. There will be one more test that will cover vocabulary and material learned during the eight weeks. A grade will be given for this course through Coach Henry.

If you would like text/email notification for upcoming events, please sign up at www.remind.com/join/sjth



A way to Help SJTHS with your Target Red Card

1. Link your RED CARD 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.