

THE LION LINE



Learn the True, Do the Good, Love the Beautiful

December Happenings

November 29th: Last day to purchase a wreath for the Safety Patrol Wreaths Across America fundraiser.

December 3rd: Community Informational Night at 5 p.m. in the SJCA Cafeteria

December 4th: SJCA Spirit Night at Tijuana Flats from 5-8 p.m.

December 5th: Chorus Concert in SJCA Cafeteria, Call Time: 5:30 p.m./Concert: 7 p.m.

December 6th: 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Spelling Bee at 8:15 in the cafeteria

December 6th: Band Performance at Music USA Festival (in Orlando)

December 9th-13th: Penguin Patch Holiday Shop

December 10th: *A Christmas Carol* in SJCA Cafeteria at 6 p.m.

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SJCA defeats Episcopal 8-0. Go Lions!

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays

This brief edition of *The Lion Line* is being published before the Thanksgiving break since we won't be in school on December 1st. We wish you and your family the best this holiday season.

Early Dismissal Times for the Week of December 16th

Upper School Scholars will dismiss at 10:45 on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week only.

Lower School Scholars will dismiss at 11:15 on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week only.



A Note from the SJCA

When scholars return to campus in January, the dress code policy will be fully implemented; therefore, we thought it fitting to step back and answer the question: Why wear uniforms? In our society there are many examples of uniforms, from the classic robe judges wear while presiding in court to the array of uniforms worn by military personnel to grocery store clerks. Each one signifies that we may expect helpfulness, knowledge, and service from these individuals.

Unity

Consider the word *uniform*. It begins with the thought of unity. As a noun, the word denotes a dress of distinctive design or fashion worn by members of a particular group, serving as a means of identification and, as a verb, to make uniform. The goal implicates an expectation one holds the uniform on a person. Here at SJCA, we expect members of our campus, donning the uniform, to conduct themselves with civility, respect, humility, and an overall seriousness about the subject of education on and off our campus. With uniformity comes a certain amount of predictability with less focus one's outward appearance. Rather there is an increased value placed upon the heart and mind of that individual.

The Benefits of School Uniforms

We identify multiple benefits in wearing uniforms. For the individual, there is a sense of belonging, a feeling of equality, and mutual growth. Uniforms also increase campus security by providing a visual cue if someone is on campus and not in a uniform. Ultimately, uniforms allow for fewer decisions, less clothing purchases, and the opportunity for a robust re-use inventory among our families.

Please find the links to the SJCA dress code below for your review; they are provided to underscore the adherence you and your scholars may expect upon their return to campus on January 7th. Help us continue to strive to live out our mission, to develop graduates in mind and character through a classical, content-rich curriculum that emphasizes the principles of virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility. We are building intelligent, virtuous American citizens.

Respectfully,

Diane Hutchings and the SJCA Board

Everyday Uniform Requirements: <http://stjca.org/everyday-uniforms/>

Formal Uniform Requirements: <http://stjca.org/formal-uniform/>

Additional Requirements for jewelry, hair color, cosmetics, etc. can be found in *The Family and Scholar Handbook* on pages 47 and 48: http://secureservercdn.net/50.62.194.30/e29.d22.myftpupload.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/SJCA-Family-and-Scholar-Handbook_2019-2020.pdf

Embroidery: Scholars may embroider their names on uniform outerwear only: sweaters, cardigans, jackets, etc. The font should be Times New Roman or Georgia, printed or cursive, thread to match the gold in the SJCA crest and letters no more than one inch tall. The embroidery may contain first or last name, full name, or initials.

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December 11th: Jaguar Foundation Camp for third and fourth grade scholars

December 11th: Maggie D's Fundraiser 1:30-4:00

December 12th: Pottery Night with Mr. Ross at 6:00.

December 13th: \$2 Spirit Day Fundraiser

December 13th: Band Christmas Concert at Crossroad Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m.

December 14th: Safety Patrol Wreath Laying Ceremony at Jacksonville Memorial Gardens

December 16th-18th: NJHS Candy Gram Sales

December 16th: \$2 Ugly Sweater Day Fundraiser

December 17th: \$2 Cowboy Christmas

December 18th: \$2 Pajama Day Fundraiser

December 16th-18th:

[Early Dismissal](#)

Upper School: 10:45

Lower School: 11:15



SJCA scholars and staff enjoyed a friendly game of flag football. Way to go, scholars! Everyone had a wonderful time.

Pottery Night with Mr. Ross

SJCA's Pottery Night is similar to Painting with a Twist, without the twist, on December 12th. Mr. Ross, the Academy's Upper School Art teacher, will give two mini lessons on hand building with clay. Participants of all ages will create a small pinch pot and a decorative teddy bear figurine. Artwork will be collected at the end of the workshop, fired in our new kiln, and returned at a later date. Limited availability allows for 50 participants. Lower School Scholars will require parental assistance. Working with clay is fun and therapeutic. All proceeds will go to the SJCA Art Program. Payment via PayPal is your R.S.V.P. to this event. The cost to attend is \$20 per person and can be paid online via Paypal. Click here to make payment: <http://stjca.org/art-night/>.

Donations to the Academy

As the year comes to an end, we'd like to remind you that SJCA is a 501C3 organization. Receipts for tax purposes will be provided for any fiscal or material donations made to the Academy and can be earmarked for specific purposes.

Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Jackie Weaver



Jackie Weaver is a second year SJCA elementary teacher with 12 years of teaching experience. She teaches third grade at the Academy. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology with a minor in business from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. After having her son, she returned to school to study education and received a professional teaching certificate in Jacksonville, FL.

The curriculum at SJCA reminds her of her days in the classroom as a student. In high school, Mrs. Weaver was admitted into the honors college prep program, which turned out to be classical in nature. Her studies were based on a strong literacy curriculum tied into world and American history. Science was taught at a college level, including labs, research and reports. Instead of taking a traditional consumer education class, she was put into honors Economics where she found a passion for learning about the historical trends of the American economy. She completed two term papers based on the Depression of 1860 and the Great Depression starting in 1929. Rather than take a Civics class, her instruction on the American government was intertwined with American History, similar to how it is taught throughout K-12 at SJCA.

After college, Mrs. Weaver started utilizing her business minor and has held positions in corporate accounting, account management, compliance and was a HRIS systems analyst. The national and global companies she worked for include Coca-Cola and American Water and Southeastern Grocers (Winn-Dixie) corporate office. In 2007, she decided to leave her business “job” for a career in education. She wanted to ensure that her son would receive the best public education possible, so she became part of the system.

Throughout her teaching career, Mrs. Weaver has been awarded Teacher of the Year three times. She has held positions on school science, parent involvement, and math committees. She served as the Chairperson for two of these committees. While working in Duval County, she was her school’s Green Champion representative, helping with environmental and conservation education programs. Her efforts won over \$2000 to help continue the program in proceeding years. She has successfully had three projects fully funded through Donors Choose for SJCA. Some of the items she has had donated are a projector, document camera, media cart, grade-level science materials and grade level math materials. She has renewed her professional teaching certificate twice by completing over 1,000 hours of professional development and working over 1,000 unpaid hours to be the very best teacher for her students.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Alpha Strength & Conditioning 2:30 Teams of Tomorrow 3:00-4:15 Music Composition 2:30-3:30 Student Council 2:30-3:00 Basketball Game @ Episcopal 6:00 Drama Club 3:30 to 4:45 Finance Meeting 4:00 Board Meeting 4:30	3 BRICKS 4 Kidz 3-4 Soccer Game @ Christ's Church 5:00 Boys Basketball Practice 3-4:30 @ SJCA Yearbook 3:00-4:00 Art Club K-2nd 3:45-4:45 Chorus 4th-6th 3:30-4:30 Community Information Night 5-6	4 Tjuana Flats Fundraiser 5-8 Formal Uniform Day CREW 12:30-1:20 Alpha Strength & Conditioning 2:30 Jazz Combo 12:30-1:30 Early Dismissal 6th-10th: 12:30 K-5th: 1:00	5 Boys Basketball Practice 4-5 @ YMCA Run/Walk Club 3:00-4:15 Drama 3:30-4:45 Soccer Game @ Episcopal 4:30 Book Club 3:30-4:00 Chorus Concert 5:30 Call Time 7:00 Performance	6 Latin Club 2:30 to 3:30 Flag Football 3:00 to 4:30 Baton Twirling New/Returning: 3:30 to 4:30 Returning: 4:30 to 5:30 Spelling Bee 8:15 Interact Club 3:30-4:15 Alpha Strength & Conditioning 2:30 Beg. Band & Wind Ensemble at Music Extravaganza at Universal Dec. 6th & Dec. 7th	7
8 Penguin Patch Holiday Shop Begins Alpha Strength & Conditioning 2:30 Teams of Tomorrow 3:00-4:15 Soccer Game @ Christ's Church 5:00 Music Composition 2:30-3:30 Drama Club 3:30 to 4:45 Student Council 2:30-3:00	9	10 Beg. Band Rehearsal 2:30-3:30 BRICKS 4 Kidz 3-4 NHS 2:30-3:00 NJHS 2:30-3:30 Yearbook 3:00-4:00 3rd-5th Art Club 3:45-4:45 Boys Basketball Practice 3-4:30 @ SJCA A Christmas Carol Drama Performance 6:00	11 Alpha Strength & Conditioning 2:30 Formal Uniform Day CREW 12:30-1:20 Basketball Game @ St. Johns COUNTRY DAY @ 5:00 Jazz Combo 12:30-1:30 Early Dismissal 6th-10th: 12:30 K-5th: 1:00	12 Wind Ensemble Rehearsal 2:30-4:00 Boys Basketball Practice 4-5 @ YMCA Run/Walk Club 3:00-4:15 Book Club 3:30-4:00 Pottery 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 Upper School House Meeting 2:30-3:00 Penguin Patch Holiday Shop Ends Little Lion Plush Sales End Beg. Band and Wind Ensemble Holiday Christmas Concert at Cross+Roads Lutheran Church at 7:30 礪	14 Safety Patrol Wreath Laying 11:45
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

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Wednesday November 11 – Friday December 13

Rules

Each house has their own jugs for collecting Monday. Gain points by adding pennies and bills to your house jug. Lose points or lower other house totals by adding nickels, dimes & quarters!

Prize

40 house points & money to put towards house events!

1st Place 50% of total

2nd Place 25% of total

3rd Place 15% of total

4th Place 10% of total

Points

Adding

! Pennies	+ 1point
! \$1 bills	+100 points
! \$5 bills	+500 points
! \$10 bills	+1000 points
! \$20 bills	+2000 points

Subtracting

Nickels	-5 points
Dimes	-10 points
Quarters	-25 points



STJCA PLUSH LION SALE



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<http://stjca.org/student-council-event-management/>



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Kitchen Shelves at Wilkinson Jr. High, Community Partnership School

To volunteer at Kitchen Shelves, go to:
<https://chsfl.volunteerhub.com/lp/northeast/>

Scan the QR code to be taken directly to the link



Address:

Wilkinson Jr. High, CPS
Building 7, Room # 701
5025 County Rd. 218 W
Middleburg, FL 32068

Contact:

Ms. Kayla
Phone: 904-517-9703

Information

Kitchen Shelves
Food Bank hours
by appointment:

Tuesday 10 AM to 1 PM

Thursday 4 PM to 6 PM

- ❖ Kitchen shelves is located behind the bus loop in room # 701.
- ❖ During the week of Farm Share, we will NOT be open
- ❖ We receive clients by appointment **ONLY**. Please use contact Ms. Kayla to make an appointment.
- ❖ You are allowed to receive food from the food bank, **ONCE** a week.
- ❖ Please bring a reusable bag with you each time you visit Kitchen Shelves.



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2019-20 Farm Share Food Days

(Dates & times may change as needed.)



October

Date: Thurs. Oct. 17, 2019

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

November

Date: Thurs. Nov. 14, 2019

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

December

Date: Thurs. Dec. 12, 2019

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

January

Date: Thurs. Jan. 23, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

February

Date: Thurs. Feb. 27, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

March

Date: Thurs. Mar. 19, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

April

Date: Thurs. Apr. 23, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

May

Date: Thurs. May 28, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

June

Date: Thurs. Jun. 18, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

July

Date: Thurs. Jul. 23, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

August

Date: Wed. Aug. 26, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

To check dates for changes, go to:

Wilkinson Jr. High CPS School Calendar

<https://www.oneclay.net/wjh>

Wilkinson Jr. High CPS Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/wjhengage/>

To volunteer, go to:

<https://chsfl.volunteerhub.com/lp/northeast/>

Scan the QR code to be taken directly to the site



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