

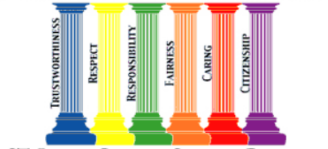
Fruit Cove Middle School "THE PILOT"



Bi-Weekly Newsletter

September 8, 2023

CHARACTER COUNTS!



ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Pillar of the Month:
September — Fairness

Important Dates

Friday, September 8
PTO Back to School Dance
6-8pm

Tuesday, September 12
Interims Issued

Tues., Sept. 12— Fri., Sept. 15
PTO Book Fair

Thursday, September 21
NJHS Induction Ceremony
6pm

Tuesday, October 10
SAC meeting 2:30pm

Friday, October 13
First Quarter Ends

Monday, October 16
Teacher Planning Day -
Student Holiday

Tuesday, October 24
Report Cards

Friday, November 10
Veterans Day - Student/
Teacher Holiday

School Hours
7:30am-1:50pm

Wednesday Dismissal
@ 12:50pm

The building is open
from 7:00am to
3:00pm.

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Mission Statement

Fruit Cove Middle School will inspire in all students a passion for lifelong learning, creating educated and caring contributors to the world.

FCMS Student Handbook

The updated student handbook is now available. Click the link below to access this important information.

<https://www-fcs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/FCMS-Student-Handbook-23-24.pdf>

PBIS Wish List



PBIS Rewards is a schoolwide management system that assists our school with Positive Behavior Interventions and Support. This platform makes it easy to continuously recognize students for meeting and exceeding behavior expectations from anywhere in the school! We love using PBIS and are looking for your help to stock our school store using the Amazon Wish List below!



https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/12ZC1TLXAE366?ref_=wl_share

NJHS



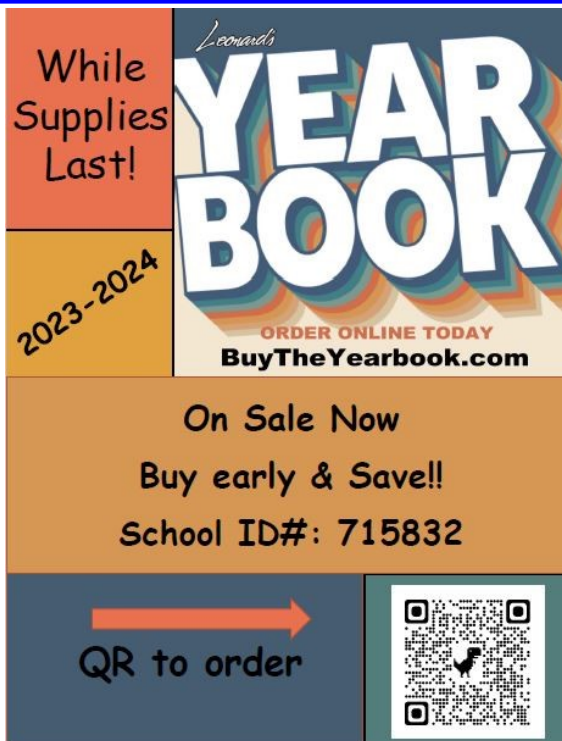
NATIONAL
JUNIOR
HONOR
SOCIETY

The National Junior Honor society will be sending letters of acceptance/nonacceptance for new applicants by next week. Please look for this letter to be passed out during your homeroom class, period 1. The NJHS Induction ceremony will be held on Thursday, September 21 at 6PM in the school auditorium. New inductees are asked to dress up for this occasion.

NJHS, WEB, and the B6 club are sponsoring a sock drive to help the homeless. Socks are the top requested item in homeless shelters. Please send in any new or slightly used socks, any size, to your homeroom teacher. The top 3 homerooms with the most donations will win a cookie treat provided by NJHS.



Yearbook News



While Supplies Last!


2023-2024

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Florida Future Educators of America



Florida Future Educators of America (FFEA) is looking for new members interested in learning more about the teaching profession and leadership. See Ms. Carroll in portable 4 or Ms. Kalfa in room 370 for paperwork if you're interested in joining. Information is also available in the front office. Regular meeting days are the 3rd Thursday of each month. The first meeting is set for September 21. You must have signed paperwork to attend. **DO NOT DELAY – JOIN TODAY.**

Fall Book Fair

Fall Book Fair starts Tuesday, September 12! Students can shop Tuesday, September 12 - Friday, September 15. Accepted methods of payment include Scholastic e-wallet, debit/credit cards & Apple/Google pay.

If your child has an existing wallet from the prior Book Fair, please follow the directions on the flyer to have those funds transferred to an e-wallet for the fair! You can also set up a new e-wallet by clicking the link in the flyer.

PTO is looking for volunteers to help with the Book Fair! Please use the link below to sign up if you are able to assist. We so appreciate any help!

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AA4AC2FA5FB6-fcms#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AA4AC2FA5FB6-fcms#/)



Cafeteria News



Just a reminder that a new application for free or reduced lunch must be submitted yearly. If you have not submitted one for the current 2023-2024 school year, your student's eligibility status will expire end of day on 9/21/2023 and your student will be charged effective 9/22/2023.

All applications submitted will be reviewed to determine the eligibility status for your student. Applications can be found at <https://mealapps.stjohns.k12.fl.us/lfserver/MEALAPPS>

Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Fellowship of Christian Athletes club will begin Oct 4th from 1-2pm in the weight room. Please download the following required form to attend FCA. If you have any questions please reach out to Coach Richardson, Coach Brown, Coach Benavides or Coach J Benavides for more information.

- [2023 FCA Parent Permission \(Club/Student Organization\)](#)
- [2023 Parent Permission \(Guest Speaker/School Sponsored Event\)](#)

B6 News



New membership applications will be available with Mrs. Bass in room 483 and Mrs. McLaughlin in portable 8 **starting MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th**. B6 Club is a leadership club that represents all 6 Pillars of Character Education (Be all 6=B6). Students will need to fill out the application and have 2 teacher recommendations (forms for recommendation are attached to application) in addition to a parent's signature. B6 Club meetings will be held on THURSDAYS after school (1:50-2:50).

Our first official meeting will be held on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th – only students with complete applications submitted to Mrs. Bass or Mrs. McLaughlin can attend meetings.

Chess Club News



Chess Club meetings will be held on TUESDAYS after school (1:50-2:50). **Our first official meeting will be held on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th – only the first 30 students with complete applications submitted to Mrs. Bass can attend Chess Club meetings.**

News from Guidance

Signs you need more sleep

@calmkabira



Your emotions
are all over the
place



You are
impulsive and
anxious



You fall
asleep
immediately



Low energy and
productivity
level



Concentration
and focus
becomes difficult



Your eating
habits are
uncontrollable

Volleyball Home Game Schedule

Girls games begin at 5:30 and Boys games begin at 6:30

**Tickets are \$3.00 and need to be purchased on School Pay prior to the game.*

- **Tuesday, September 26:** SPMS@FCMS
- **Thursday, September 28:** GRMS@FCMS
- **Tuesday, October 3:** MMS@FCMS
- **Thursday, October 12:** PBMS@FCMS * **Teacher Appreciation Night**
- **Thursday, November 2:** LMS@FCMS
- **Tuesday, November 7:** SMS@FCMS ***Eighth Grade Night**
- **Thursday, November 9:** Playoff Semi-Final – 1 vs 4 and 2 vs 3
(*Highest Seeded Team Hosts)
- **Tuesday, November 14:** Championship Games

Attention All Runners!



Congratulations to the following athletes for making the 2023 Boys and Girls XC Team!

Girls Team

Eva Adams
Harmony Arthur
Emily Bodden
Maya Bowen
Nina Capriola
Ellie Collette
McKenzie Colson
Jewel Copantsidis
Eyva Dusetzina
Isla Facemyer
Dylan Finocchio
Mary Fisk
Emma Godfrey
Alexandria Gossett
Megan Hart
Sidney Hiebenthal

Ivy Hunt
Nora Huntsman
Genevieve Hurt
Brynn Jenkins
Rylee Jinks
Hayley Kaltenbacher
Audrey Kroll
Katie Larson
Scarlett Latimer
Jayde Mount
Riey Negasi
Jiya Patel
Elise Pearson
Naomi Porter
Andrea Prieto
Finley Quilal-lan

Hartley Radey
Maddlyen Ristau
Marleigh Romine
Noam Salzman
Alice Silva
Mila Son
Viktoria Straka
Leila Tyler
Sydney Vair
Aeby Van Doran
Claire We
Anna Whittmann
Autumn Wyatt

Boys Team

Parker Akins
Jack Andreoli
Ire Banjo
Jackson Boehringer
Wyatt Buck
Gavin Canter
Wayne Chen
Hovey Clock
Xavier Colicci
Casey Conover
Bryce Cunningham
Luke Densmore
Jayce Edwards
Jordan Eriksen
Jonah Gardeen

Luke Gibbes
Nicolas Harding
Ayden Hasanic
DJ Hills
Matthew Hurski
Daniel Itkin
Jake Knight
Harrison Lafser
Nicholas Lugo
Carson Maslan
Paul Myer
Mudil Nair
Seyoum Negasi
Neil Parikh
Chase Petrick

Nicholas Pippin
Michael Ploetner
Karam Rimawi
Aaron Ruckh
Lucas Setterlund
Derek Sharma
Noah Snipes
Easton Taylor
Xavier Thomas
Zach Thomas
Becket Tweet
Evan Varghese
Bryce Waldenmayer
Parker Waugh
Jayden Woodall

FRUIT COVE VOLLEYBALL 2023



TRYOUT INFORMATION

6TH GRADE GIRLS: Thursday, August 31, (2-4PM)
7TH GRADE GIRLS: Friday, September 1, (2-4PM)
8TH GRADE GIRLS: Tuesday, September 5, (2-4PM)
*****CALL BACKS:** Wednesday, September 6, (1-3PM)

BOYS: Thursday, September 7, (2-4PM)
*****CALL BACKS:** Friday, September 8, (2-4PM)

PRACTICE INFORMATION

Girls and Boys practices will begin on Monday, September 11th from (2-4). There will be a mandatory parent and player meeting on Monday, September 11th following practice at 4PM. Practices will be everyday afterschool from (2-4). Practices on Wednesdays will be from (1-3). After September 18th, there will not be practices on Tuesdays or Thursdays which are game days. Students provide their own transportation home from practices and to all home and away games.

GAME INFORMATION

Girls games start at 5:30pm Boys games start at 6:30pm Tickets are \$3

Tuesday- September 19: FCMS@PBMS
 Thursday- September 21: FCMS BYE
 Tuesday- September 26: SPMS@FCMS
 Thursday- September 28: GRMS@FCMS
 Tuesday- October 3: MMS@FCMS
 Thursday- October 5: FCMS@LMS
 Tuesday- October 10: FCMS@SMS
 Thursday- October 12: PBMS@FCMS *Teacher Appreciation Night
 Tuesday- October 17: FCMS BYE
 Thursday- October 19: FCMS@SPMS
 Tuesday- October 24: FCMS@GRMS
 Thursday- October 26: FCMS@MMS
 Thursday- November 2: LMS@FCMS
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GO FLYERS!

Library News

Welcome to the 2023/2024 School Year!

Hours: 7:10am—1:50pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
7:10am—12:50pm Wednesday

Jennifer Jaeger, Media Specialist
Vicki Barfoot, Media Aide

Please check the [Media Center homepage](#) for updates and visit our **Virtual Library!**
Find informative videos on Schoology, using the library catalog, and much more!

Students may check out three books at a time and keep them for two weeks. Overdue book notices are sent by email every Wednesday at 9:00am. There are no overdue fees, however, students who lose or damage a book are responsible for the cost of the item. Payments can be made using SchoolPay: \$10 for paperback books, \$20 for hard cover books (see the website).

Parents who wish to restrict titles their child may check out in the school library should complete the form linked below and return it to your child's teacher or the media center. This link is also available on the media center homepage. No form is necessary if there are to be no restrictions.



[Library Book Access Form](#)

2023-2024 Sunshine State Young Readers Award Program

The SSYRA Program has begun! Interested students will be added to an SSYRA Course in Schoology **after** the [parent permission form](#) is returned. Registration is ongoing until December 1, 2023. Students will read an SSYRA book and take a 25-point quiz on the book. They must score over 60% to receive credit for the book. Successful quizzes are rewarded with a Schoology badge and a PBIS point. The program ends on Friday, April 26, 2024.

See the media center website for more information:

<https://www-fcs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/sunshine-state-young-readers-program/>

Attendance News

Welcome new and returning students and parents! Please take a few moments to review FCMS's attendance information on our website. There you will find the answers to most of your attendance questions. As a reminder, you have 2 options for letting us know about student absences: use our digital attendance note (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScOk8TqnN9oq4mhdM55FrBUkvF7bCsnOBAlc5hfhbaIgvwS_g/viewform) or send a written note to the front office. If you need any attendance assistance, please contact Ginny Michalski at ginny.michalski@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

School Website

<<http://www-fcs.stjohns.k12.fl.us>>

Visit often for up-to-date information about our school!

Check out our Instagram Pages @ FCMSWEB and @FruitCove_Flyers

Don't forget to check the *Peachjar* for eflyers about community events.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

SEPTEMBER 12TH - SEPTEMBER 15TH
AUDITORIUM STAGE

SET UP YOUR E-WALLET TODAY!

[HTTPS://BOOKFAIRS.SCHOLASTIC.COM/CONTENT/FAIRS/
HOW-EWALLET-WORKS.HTML?FAIRID=5350111](https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/content/fairs/how-ewallet-works.html?fairid=5350111)

IF YOU HAVE AN E-WALLET FROM OUR PREVIOUS BOOK FAIR, YOU
CAN ROLL OVER YOUR BALANCE TO BE USED FOR THIS FAIR!

- CLICK THE ABOVE LINK & SIGN IN USING THE SAME USER NAME & PASSWORD
- FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO ADD FUNDS & SELECT "FUND WITH E-GIFT CARD
BALANCE."

****ONLY ACCEPTING E-WALLET & DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS THIS YEAR****

VISIT THE BOOK FAIR



- AT SCHOOL THROUGH ELA CLASSES
- ONE DAY AFTER SCHOOL 9/12 4PM - 6PM





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School
Advisory
Committee

Join us...

**School
Library &
Virtually**

**2:30-
3:00pm**

**2nd
Tuesday
Monthly**

September 12th
October 10th
November 14th
December 12th
January 9th

February 13th
*March 5th
April 9th
May 14th

To Join Us... Contact Tee'ha Carroll at 904-547-7880 or teeha.carroll@stjohns.k12.fl.us



FCMS PTO



NEWSLETTER



Membership



Instagram



Facebook

Talent Show Committee Volunteers Needed

fcmsptofundraising@gmail.com



PTO Membership Opportunity Ending Soon



Membership offers everything from a water bottle sticker to four tickets to see the Icemen tickets to a chance to win Chick-fil-A for a year, not to mention all the amazing things we do for students and staff! See QR code above.

Important Dates

- Sept 12-15 | Book Fair
- Sept 24 | PTO Meeting
- Nov 3 | Talent Show

FCMS SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
 SEPTEMBER 12TH - SEPTEMBER 15TH
 AUDITORIUM STAGE

SET UP YOUR E-WALLET TODAY!
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/content/fairs/non-e-wallet-works.html?FAIRID=5350111>

IF YOU HAVE AN E-WALLET FROM OUR PREVIOUS BOOK FAIR, YOU CAN ROLL OVER YOUR BALANCE TO BE USED FOR THIS FAIR!

*FOR THE ABOVE LINK & BOOK, IN LOGIN THE SAME USER NAME & PASSWORD
 *FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO ADD FUNDS & SELECT "FUNDS WITH GIFT CARD BALANCE."
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VISIT THE BOOK FAIR
 WITH YOUR ELA CLASS

Sponsor a Teacher's PTO Membership

For only \$5 you can sponsor a teacher's PTO membership. The teacher will receive all of the \$5 gift card and a chance to win Chick-fil-A for a year.

<https://teacher-membership-sponsor.cheddarup.com>



fcmspto.com

Volunteers Needed



- Dance Committee
 - fcmsptodance@gmail.com
- Fundraising Committee
 - fcmsptofundraising@gmail.com
- Teacher Appreciation Committee
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Email or join us at a meeting.

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