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The Webster School

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September 2014

- 1st Labor Day – No School
- 4th School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting in MKY at 5:45 pm
- 9th Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening
- 10th Third Grade Vision, Height, and Weight Screening
- 11th First Grade Vision, Height, and Weight Screening
- 12th Teacher Inservice Day – Student Holiday – School Closed Today
- 17th First Quarter Interim Reports
- 17th – 26th FALL BOOK FAIR
- 18th (PreK & K-2) Open House 5 – 7pm
- 19th Head Start Parent Mtg. 3:15 – 4:15
- 23rd (3-5) Open House 5 – 7 pm
- 30th Boy Scouts Sign Up Night (1st – 5th) at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria

October 2014

- 2nd School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting in MKY at 5:45 pm
- 2nd (K-5) Native American Program with Jimmy Sawgrass
- 6th – 17th Disability History and Awareness Weeks
- 14th Head Start Parent Mtg. 3:15 – 4:15
- 16th ESE Parent Advisory Council Mtg. 6:00 – 8:00 at the School Board
- 21st – 22nd Individual Student Pictures
- 23rd First Quarter Ends
- 24th Teacher Planning Day – Student Holiday – School Closed Today
- 27th – 31st Red Ribbon Week
- 31st Report Cards Issued

School Hours

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	8:30 am – 2:50 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am – 1:50 pm
Doors Open	8:00 am
School Begins / Tardy Bell	8:30 am

Welcome to back to The Webster School!

Our first few days have gone smoothly as we welcomed back 638 students in grades PreK-5. We are growing in numbers and we are excited about having new family members at our school. We also want to welcome new faculty members to our school. Join me in welcoming our new fifth grade teacher Kyle Arnold, second grade teacher Colleen LaHatte, Technology teacher Robert Raimann, paraprofessional Lindsey Studivant, Speech Pathologist Katie Shurman and cafeteria server Jennifer Higdon. They are excited about joining our family and bring lots of experience to their fields.

Special Visitors

This Thursday we had the pleasure of welcoming some important and exciting visitors to The Webster School. We were visited by Governor Rick Scott, First Lady Ann Scott, Commissioner of Education, Pam Stewart and Florida Teacher of the Year. The visit was prompted by the success the Webster School experienced last year with our FCAT data. Last year our school showed an 80+ point gain in our school grade. Our special guests visited three classrooms and spoke with teachers and students. We were very proud to show them our wonderful school!

Volunteers

Each year we like to welcome parents and community members who volunteer to support and enrich the learning that takes place at our school. Please remember to complete the volunteer form online prior to volunteering. This can be found on our district's website. All volunteers must sign in at the Front Office with a valid picture ID.

Morning Drop Off Time

A gentle reminder that we cannot accept students any earlier than 7:45 AM in the morning. Students need to stay in their parent's car until an adult comes out to supervise. Students should not be left at the parent drop off area unattended.

Parent Pick Up

As we begin our third week of school, I want to thank parents for their patience as we continue to tweak afternoon parent pick up so it runs smoothly. Thank you for continuing to have your child's name visible in the window so your child can be called to come out to the ramp for pick up.

Parents picking up students in MKY should stay to the right allowing cars to pass on the left. The SJC Sheriff's Dept also ask that only right hand turns be made in and out of the parking lot to keep traffic flowing. We appreciate your cooperation with these procedures.

Wednesday Early Release

Every Wednesday throughout the school year, our school releases at 1:50 PM. This time is set aside for teachers to receive additional training. Thank you for being sure you are at the bus stop or in the parent pick up line one hour before normal dismissal time every Wednesday.



UPDATE EMERGENCY INFORMATION!

Please keep your child's records up-to-date...address, phone, emergency contacts, etc.

Call Marcia McNabb @ 547-3864.

Thank you for helping to keep your child safe!

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS & GUESTS

To enter The Webster School for ANY reason you must fill out the on-line "School Access Form" and be approved by the St. Johns School District & St. Johns Sherriff's Dept.

This process can take up to 4 weeks so don't wait!

Hard copies are available for those who do not have internet access.

<https://knt3.keepntrack.com/HTML/KnTOnlineVolunteerApplication.html?db=stjohns&version=2.75.1-20131023>



The PTO Needs YOU!
Join the PTO and Support
The Webster School
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PTO Board for 2014-2015

President - Elizabeth Michalik
Vice President - Adriana Orta
Secretary - Alice Howard
Treasurer - Penny Angelus
Volunteer Coordinator - Cassandra Peck

Field Trips

All chaperones MUST be cleared to volunteer and accept responsibilities incumbent upon a chaperone. Friends and siblings may not be included in school trips. If you plan on checking your child out from a field trip, you must submit in writing your intentions and send them to your child's teacher. All parents must check with his/her child's teacher to sign the child out prior to leaving the field trip location.

SAVE THE DATES!

Thursday, September 18th
(PreK & K-2) Open House
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, September 23rd
(3-5) Open House
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Monday, November 3rd - 7th
Parent / Teacher
Conference Week

Dress Code

Thank you for assisting your child to be sure he/she is following dress code guidelines:

- Shorts / skirts must be finger-tip length
- No tank tops (less than 3 inch straps) or short mid-drift tops
- No flip flops, open-toed, heeleys, or backless shoes

Box Tops Wanted

Box Tops bring in funds to support our School. Please save and send in your Box Tops. Classes who bring in the most boxtops will be rewarded.



AVID Elementary

The AVID elementary program is a school-wide approach that is available to all elementary students in grades and classes designated by the school. The teachers emphasize the teaching of organizational skills, note taking and critical thinking skills. Also college expectations are provided for all students within a school.

School Advisory Council (SAC) Needs You!

The Webster School Advisory Council (SAC) is looking for parents, business community members, and other interested members of the community who would be interested in serving as a SAC member. If you or if you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Mrs. Mitidieri for further information. SAC meetings will be held the first Thursday of every month at 5:45 pm starting September 4th. All meetings are open to the public, and we encourage all parents to attend.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

If your child is interested in sports, swimming, fishing, camping, or archery all while having fun with friends, come to the school cafeteria at 6 pm on Tuesday, September 30th to join Cub Scouts! All boys in grades (1st – 5th) are eligible to participate.

Health Screenings for Grades K, 1, and 3

Students in grades K, 1, and 3 will have screenings the week of the 8th. In compliance with Florida Statute 381.0056(7), regarding school health services, we are notifying you that students in the St. Johns County School system will be offered free screening for vision, hearing, height/weight measurement for growth and development and other possible health problems. Your child will be screened unless you notify the school, in writing, by Wednesday, September 3rd, that you do not want your child to participate. The screenings are conducted by nurses from the St. Johns County Health Unit, in conjunction with trained volunteers.

We are pleased to be able to offer the program that supports the health and well-being of our students. If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Nina at 547-3802.

We are in need of volunteers to assist with the screenings. If you can assist, please contact Nurse Nina at 547-3802. We appreciate your help.

News from our Clinic

Ms. Nina Hall and Mrs. Wanda Someillan are our school nurses. We are happy to have them on our campus to help with our student's medical needs. If your child has any medical concerns or needs medication given during the day, please contact them. Ms. Nina Hall 547-3802 and Mrs. Wanda Someillan 547-3868.



Attendance & Tardiness



Regular school attendance is a necessary part of a student's education. Excessive absences and tardiness impairs a child's educational progress and can impact whether the child passes or fails a grade. We ask that you do not schedule trips or appointments during the school day when your child can miss out on academic instruction. Students miss important instruction that teachers cannot replicate when your child is out of school. Remember, getting to school on time is important for each child to begin their day.

Ways to help your Child be Successful in School

As parents, we all want to see our children be successful in school. Student success comes from parents and school working together and communicating so everyone is on the "same page." Below is a list of items that are important when it comes to helping your child in school.

- Know how your child is performing academically in his/her grade level.
- Check your child's backpack nightly.
- Check to be sure his/her homework is done every night.
- Check with the teacher to be sure the homework is being handed in.
- Look at your child's planner everyday and sign it.
- Know what grades to expect on your child's report card being issued on October 31.
- Ask your child's teacher how your child is behaving in school.
- Know if your child's behavior interferes with their own learning or possibly other students in the class.
- Is your child in school everyday? On time? with no early checkouts?

Throughout the school year please take the time to meet with your child's teacher so you can be informed of any academic or behavior concerns. Working together is important so your child can be successful this school year. We appreciate your support.

Planners

Did you know all students have been given a planner? The purpose of the planner is to serve as an organizational tool for students to document their homework and behavior each day. This allows parents to view what homework their child has and to assure its completeness. In some instances, teachers and parents may use it as a means to communicate between school and home. Students are expected to take the planner home each day and return it back to school the following day to record assignments and other important dates to remember.

ESE Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

October 16, 6:00 – 8:00 pm 40 Orange Street, 3rd floor auditorium

The purpose of the Parent Advisory Committee is to identify barriers experienced by exceptional students and their families. This information is then shared with those who can effect changes (administration at schools and Exceptional Student Education staff at the district level). A copy is also provided to those who attend the meeting. If you need special accommodations, please contact Nancy Morrison (547-7672) one week prior to the meeting. The District contact for the Parent Advisory Committee is George Freeman (547-7704).



Dr. Joyner's Corner The Superintendent's Weekly Review

Is posted at <http://blogs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/supt/>

The newsletter can also be found on the home page of the St. Johns County School District website at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>

Girls on the Run



This is a program to educate and prepare girls for a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living. It will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:13 - 4:40 for 10 weeks. Each session includes a lesson that teaches specific skills followed by a run. The program concludes with a 5K race. It is first come first serve for the first 20 girls in 3rd-5th grade ages 9-11 years. Attendance is required, so girls must be committed. **You can register online; if you wish to apply for a scholarship please contact us ASAP we want all girls that want to participate. If a student is on scholarship we will have them sign a contract saying they will attend. Three absences are permitted. If you have any questions please contact the Site Champion, Melissa Gullo, at 547-3871.**

Registration opens on August 25, 2014 and closes on September 8, 2014.

Visit our Website at: www.gotrneflorida.org for more information!

ST JOHNS COUNTY 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ENROLLMENT KICK OFF

The St. Johns County 4-H Youth Development Program is hosting a 4-H Enrollment Kick Off for youth ages 5-18, (age as of September 1, 2013) on Thursday, September 4, 2014 from 5pm-7pm at the St. Johns County Extension Office at 3125 Agricultural Center Drive (near S.R. 16 and I 95).

4-H Club and Project information will be available for new and returning 4-H members. 4-H is a youth development program that enables youth to develop life skills, leadership and citizenship. Caring adult leaders are also being recruited. Please contact the 4-H Office at 904 209-0430 for more information. Youth members ages 5-18, as of September 1, 2014 can enroll in the St. Johns County 4-H program ONLINE AFTER August 26 by going to: <https://florida.4honline.com>



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Saturday, August 30, 10am-1pm

Dig through our sand mine to find hidden crystal treasures you can keep!

All proceeds benefit:

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Children's Museum of St. Augustine

BlueWater JEWELERS
500 Anastasia Blvd.,
1/4mi from the Bridge of Lions
Tickets are \$5 per child & available in advance at tagmuseum.org or call 904-647-1757 for more information.