

Hickory Creek Elementary School



NEW FAMILY INFORMATION

WELCOME TO HCE!

Finding the perfect school is only part of the puzzle. This document will hopefully help you fill in the rest of the pieces as you get settled into your new surroundings. Inside, you'll find lots of useful information and recommendations from other HCE parents.

2020-21 School Year
Kelly Crouse, New Family Liaison

Dear New HCE Family,

You have selected a gem of a community to call home, and I am certain you will fall in love with Hickory Creek Elementary. One of the primary reasons new residents purchase homes in Switzerland/St Johns is because of our A-rated schools. Our schools define our community.

It won't take long before you see why our students share a love for learning and are proud to be a HCE Hawks! From the high academic standards set by our administrators, teachers and staff to the parent involvement and community/business involvement, HCE is a school you and your child will quickly grow to love.

As a new family to our community, it's likely that I or another PTO officer have already given you a tour of HCE and explained some of our school processes. If I haven't had the opportunity to meet you, let me share a little about myself. I have lived in this area for nearly twenty years, and I have two students at HCE. Jacksonville is most definitely home! I actually am a former St. Johns county educator and earned my Master's in Education, locally, at UNF. I'm involved in the community; I'm a local business owner; and most importantly, I'm a wife and mom. I am happy to share my resources with you from local parks, to tutors, to house painters! As the school's New Family Liaison, I look forward to helping you and your family navigate through the community and our school. Please feel free to reach out to me at the email address below.

My best advice is GET INVOLVED! It will truly benefit you and your child(ren). Our teachers offer plenty of opportunities for parent volunteers. This allows you to learn more about our school, your child's teachers, and most importantly your child and how he or she learns. And of course, through volunteering you will be able to build a network of your own resources and build friendships with other parents.

Finally, in this document you will find recommendations for a variety of areas; academic assistance, preschools, athletic activities and more. Please note, these are not paid advertisements but simply recommendations from other HCE parents. I've provided web addresses and phone numbers for your convenience. Also, highlighted listings in the document indicate these businesses are a HCE PTO Business Partner and we appreciate their support!

Before you dive in, the most important website you'll need is our school's website: <http://www-HCE.stjohns.k12.fl.us> Again, WELCOME to Hickory Creek Elementary! I look forward to getting to know you!

Sincerely,
Kelly Crouse, New Family Liaison
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AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

Hickory Creek Elementary Afterschool Program
<http://www-HCE.stjohns.k12.fl.us/extendedday/>

PRESCHOOLS



Ph: 904-441-1188

Email: SaintAugustineFL@GoddardSchools.com

4041 County Rd 210 W

St. Augustine, FL 32092

GoddardSchool.com

Living Waters Preschool 904-287-2883

www.livingwaterspreschool.net

Geneva Presbyterian Preschool 904-287-4865

www.genevapresbyterian.org

Fruit Cove Baptist Preschool 904-287-0996

<http://fruitcove.com/preschool/weekday-preschool-ministry/>

Dubow Preschool at Jacksonville Jewish Center 904-268-4200 (ext. 143)

www.dubowpreschool.org

Learning Ladders at Mandarin Presbyterian 904-292-1126

www.learningladderspreschool.com

ATHLETICS

Creeks Athletic Association 904-615-1399

<http://www.caaleague.org/view/caaleague/home-page-822>

Creeks Baseball Club

<http://www.creeksbaseballclub.com>

Florida Elite Soccer Academy

www.floridaelitesa.com

Loggerhead Aquatics

www.teamunify.com

St. Johns Tennis Academy

<http://saintjohnstennis.com>

JAMA – Tae Kwon Do

www.jamakick.com

Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association 904-854-2323

<http://www.jjva.com>

The Williams YMCA on San Jose Boulevard 904-292-1660

<http://firstcoastymca.org/locations/williams-family-ymca/>

Evans Rowing Club 904-614-9366

www.EvansRowingClub.com

Ricky Fields – Track Coach 904-614-0149

iphonericky@yahoo.com

904 Tennis (lessons, clinics, leagues and camps) – 904-514-1644

tennis@jcpddd.org

www.904tennis.com

Upward Sports – Fruit Cove Baptist Church

Includes basketball, cheerleading, flag football and soccer

www.fruitcove.com/sportslife/upward

Blue Chips Basketball League

www.bluechipbasketball.org

Karate America 904-230-2791

<http://www.martialartsHickorycreek.com>

GYMNASTICS AND DANCE STUDIOS

Zone Cheer, Tumbling and Dance 904-810-5993

<http://zonecheerallstars.com>

Starlight Gymnastics 904-260-4866

www.starlightjax.com

Art of Dance 904-262-2217

www.artofdancejax.com

Mark Spivak Dance and Tumbling

www.markspivak.com

Jacksonville Allstar Cheer/Dance/Tumbling

<http://cfa-jax.com>

Reach Destiny Arts

www.reachdestinyarts.com

Academy of Dance 904-880-2275

www.academyofdancejax.com

Champions Gymnastics Club, Inc. 904-732-6040

www.championsofjax.com

MUSIC LESSONS

Guitars United on San Jose Boulevard 904-268-0338

www.guitarsunited.com

Liz Deal – Private Piano Lessons 904-703-7991

Kathe Isabelle – Private flute kathe.isabelle@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Don Isabelle – Private all band instruments don.isabelle@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Rick Fowler – Private all band instruments rick.fowler@stjohns.k12.fl.us
Kathy Stephenson – Private all band and flute for all ages
We3beinfl@gmail.com

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE

Peas In A Pod Learning Center 904-288-0332
<http://www.peasinapodjax.com>
The Tutoring Club on State Road 13 904-268-8556
<https://www.tutoringclub.com/jacksonvillefl/>
Mathnasium 904-287-2874
www.mathnasium.com/fruitcove
Mandarin Reading Clinic 904-880-7273
www.mandarinreadingclinic.com (specializes in dyslexia and reading comprehension deficits)
Kumon Learning Center in Hickory Creek 904-679-3654
<https://www.kumon.com/jacksonville-fruit-cove>
Saint Johns Learning 904-574-4861
<http://www.stjohnslearning.com>

DENTISTS | ORTHODONTISTS

St. Johns Pediatric Dentistry 904-808-4700
<https://www.stjohnskids.com>
Dr. Marinella Nemitz, Pediatric Dentist 904-292-2210
www.nemetzdental.com
Dr. Perce, Orthodontist 904-287-5557
www.perceorthodontics.com
Dr. Chris Henry, Orthodontist 904-429-0095
Weaver and Stratton Pediatric Dentistry 904-264-5437
<http://www.264kids.com>
Joy Orthodontics 904-737-4626
www.joyorthodontics.com
Great Expressions Dental Centers 904-268-3002
<https://www.greatexpressions.com/dental-offices/florida-offices/jacksonville>
Smiles by Glenos Orthodontics 904-79-SMILE
<https://www.smilesbyglenos.com>
Setzer, Cochran, Soares and Hubbard Pediatric Dentistry 904-733-7254
<https://setzerandcochran.com>

PEDIATRICIANS

Beaches Pediatrics on Old St. Augustine Road 904-246-8684
www.beachepediatric.com
Hickory Creek Pediatrics 904-230-5437
Pediatric Associates of Hickory Creek 904-23-7977
www.pedsatjulcreek.com

Mandarin Pediatrics 904-268-7701

www.mandarinpediatrics.com

Dr. Larry Mastrogianakis 904-260-9495

St. Johns Pediatrics 904-642-9929

Angel Kids Pediatrics 904-224-5437

www.myangelkids.com

Beaches Pediatrics at Shoppes at Bartram Park 904-260-2565

www.beachspediatrics.com

ARE YOU SIGNED UP FOR “HOME ACCESS CENTER”?

Home Access Center (HAC) is a great way to be “in the know” about your child’s ongoing academic progress in the classroom.

Starting this school year, ALL REPORT CARDS WILL BE DELIVERED ONLINE VIA HOME ACCESS CENTER ONLY. Please make sure you are prepared by signing up online at:

<http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/>

* Helpful Hint- you should sign up using the parent name & information (NOT STUDENT NAME & INFO). This will enable you to see all of your children via one account.

Please remember to inform your teacher, Mrs. Sherwood, and Mrs. Southworth (if you attend extended day) of any transportation changes by 2pm each day (1pm on Wednesdays). No changes made after 2pm can be honored. This allows for ample time for communication and safety. Thank you ahead of time for your support of this policy.

SCHOOL ACCESS

Please help us to provide a safe and secure facility for our students and staff, please complete a School Access Form. (Cleared access is granted for a total of 3 years. So, if you completed a form within the last couple of years, your application will still be valid. However, if you sign-in and the computer does not recognize you, please re-submit a completed form. It may take 2-6 weeks for the application process. All information must be completed on the form in order for the form to be processed).

District policy: “Any person passing beyond the front office area *must* show a valid driver’s license or state identification card.”

Please make sure to bring your identification with you when entering our school to go beyond the front desk or pick-up a child.

All visitors signing in are checked against a national sexual offender database.

****Please note: If you plan to attend any field trip or on school campus event this year with your child’s class, you will need to have a cleared school access record on file at least 6 weeks before the activity.***

Thank you for your interest in joining Hickory Creek Elementary PTO! The 2020-21 school year is going to be a great year. By joining PTO you are entitled to vote on issues that affect our school. You will also receive PTO emails which have lots of great information about events and volunteer opportunities. It's a great way to stay informed.

Membership is FREE. We love volunteers, but joining PTO does not mean you are obligated to volunteer, it's just a great way to stay connected to HCE!

If you are interested in volunteering, check out our volunteer page [HERE](#). We look forward to working with you this year.

Current PTO members: Please update your information and child(ren)'s teacher(s) by visiting hcepto.org Click the "View Profile" link at the top of the page or the Join PTO button and enter your name and email to access your account.

Membership Chairperson: Sommer Dolce

Email: hcepto05@yahoo.com



RENT THE HAWK ROCK



Anyone can be a "ROCK" Star

Do you want to do something special for your child, recognizing a special occasion or accomplishment? You can tell them how proud you are by painting it on the HAWK ROCK for everyone in the school to see.

Log into HCEPTO.org to visit the Hawk Rock page, reserve your date, and make your payment.

