

THE FALCON'S FOCUS



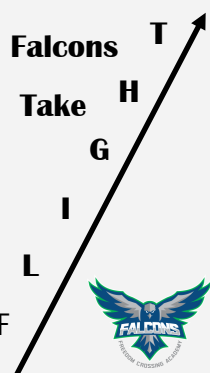
Freedom Crossing Academy Newsletter

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Falcon Families,

We hope everyone had a great and relaxing Spring Break. It was wonderful to see all our Falcons return. That being said...we are on the final push. The last nine weeks is here and we still have a lot to do. We are so proud of the progress our students are making and we are going to finish like Falcons. We will finish strong!

Not long ago our Secretary Ms. Staci Boyer was nominated by her peers at FCA as School Related Employee of the Year. A congratulatory reception was held for all nominees that were selected from each school. We are excited to share that during this event she was then nominated as "The St Johns County School Related Employee" for the entire school district. She will now go on to compete at the state level. We wish her good luck and are so proud that she is a Falcon. Way to go Ms. Boyer.

FCA is happy to announce that our Volunteer of the Year is "Ms. Katie Richard". Long before the school doors even opened she was selected to be our PTO president and spent countless hours working hand in hand with FCA Administrators, staff, parents and sponsors to ensure the opening of this school was a success. She has been instrumental during all events and appreciation functions held for FCA. On top of all that, early on in the year she joined our staff/family as our receptionist. Her devotion to the staff and students is extraordinary. Congratulations Ms. Richard and "Thank You" for all that you do.

We have some school events that we announced before Spring Break and we wanted to remind everyone about them today. BBQ & Baskets is this Thursday, March 28th at 6:30pm in the cafeteria. Also please join us for FCA Spirit Night this Saturday, March 30th at 7:30pm at the Veterans Memorial Arena. Our very own Funky Falcons will be performing at half-time. For more information and BBQ order forms please see the following pages as well as the attached flyers .

Have a great evening and go Falcons,

Principal Allen Anderson

Important Dates

2018-2019 FCA Calendar



2018-2019 SJCSD Calendar

Thursday, March 28 - BBQ & Baskets @ FCA 6:30pm
(Come for a night of BBQ from Willie Jewels and a whole lot of chance drawings)

Saturday, March 30 - Falcon Spirit Night at The Icemen 7pm

Tuesday, April 2 - FSA Writes 4th—6th Grade

Tuesday, April 2 - Rising 6th Grader Parent Meeting

Thursday, April 4 - Kindergarten Registration

Thursday, April 4 & Friday, April 5 - FSA Reading 3rd Grade

Monday, April 22 - PTO Un-Fundraiser

Please Fill Out This Short Parent Survey



This survey is super important! It is short and won't take much time. Parents are a big part of Team FCA and we can't break barriers without you. Your opinion matters to us.

Please remember to click **Done**.



<https://surveys.stjohns.k12.fl.us/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=76LL3m50>

FSA at FCA - We Need Your Help



Each year we are required to have Proctors in each of our classrooms that take the FSA. No experience is necessary. We need you as an extra set of eyes for the classroom. The only requirement is that you are an approved volunteer in SJCSD. Please spread the word to anyone who might be able to help us out. College students often need community volunteer hours and this would count towards that. We appreciate your help.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4CAFA62EA5F58-freedom>

FCA Funky Falcons & The Jax Icemen

Are you looking for a family fun night out? Come out to our FCA Spirit Night at Jacksonville Icemen hockey game on March 30th. Our Funky Falcons will be performing at the hockey game. We would love to have our FCA family there while our Funky Falcons are dancing. It will be a lot of fun! A portion of the ticket sales will go back to FCA. Let's go Falcons. www.jaxicemen.com/falcon
Code: Freedom

Saturday, Mar. 30 | 7:30
Veterans Memorial Arena



Join the Jacksonville Icemen and Freedom Crossing Academy for a special night out! Don't miss this exciting opportunity to show your school spirit and cheer on our FCA Funky Falcons. A portion of each ticket sold will be donated to Freedom Crossing Academy.



For Tickets:

www.jaxicemen.com/falcon

Questions? Call Trent Blair 904-661-7241

FCA



PTO

SPRING 2019

Important Dates

Falcon Feathers SPIRIT REWARDS

On Sale Wednesday,
March 13 during lunch

PTO Meeting Thursday, March 14th 9am Cafeteria

Want to get involved?
Have some freetime?
Come learn about
the positions available
for next year!

PTO Un-Fundraiser April 22-26

Teacher Appreciation Week May 6-10

NEWSLETTER



Falcon Spirit Night Saturday, March 30th 7:30pm

Our Funky Falcons
will be performing
at the hockey game!

This Falcon Family event is a ton of FUN
and a portion of the
ticket sales benefit FCA.

Let's go Falcons!

Purchase tickets at

www.jaxicemen.com/falcon

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BBQ AND BASKETS March 28th 6:30pm Cafeteria

Daddy Boyz BBQ-B-QUE

Order in now! 12" Ribs, your choice of meat, your choice of
1 meat & 2 sides for \$10



Raffle \$1 each or
25 tickets for \$20



PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



Summer Camps 2019

Looking for something fun and exciting to do this summer?

Do you love being outdoors, love the water, meeting new friends, seeing old friends...

Come join the Marine Science Program

Parents,

Applications for the summer Marine Science Program can still be downloaded at any time from the website prior to April 15th at <http://www-grms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/marinescience/> The link also will have a complete day by day curriculum for each grade level, parent information, and a video from last year's program. Please return the application to your child's science teacher to be forwarded to our program.

This summer program is available to all students currently in grades five through seven and has been sponsored by the school district since 1982. Three eight day sessions are held at Gamble Rogers Middle School with bus transportation provided. The dates for the three sessions this summer will be May 29th through June 7th, June 10th through June 20st, and June 24th through July 3rd. Small classes of 13-15 students are separated by grade level. All instructors in the program are St. Johns County School District teachers.

The Marine Science Program is a carefully designed experience for responsible students who are interested in learning about our local marine environments. Learning is "hands on" in the field with students kayaking, canoeing, boating, hiking, snorkeling, sailing, windsurfing, surfing, SUP, (stand up paddleboarding), etc. Specific grade level activities and curriculum are attached to the applications and are also available from the website.

More information about the program can be had by emailing

marinescienceprogram@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Summer Camps 2019



"Hacking STEM" Summer Camp Summer, 2019

Campers will be mentored by UNF Students participating in intercollegiate, collaborative, and authentic STEM projects. Campers will have the opportunity to learn coding, hacking, and making skills in computer science, engineering, and advanced applied mathematics while building STEM tools to participate in grade-level-specific projects related to our STEP Lab Social Justice projects.

JUNE 3-7, 2019: (Grades 3-6) HACKING AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES

Elementary School students will be engaged in Hacking Stem Lessons, Minecraft Edu., and Lego Robotic lessons that will integrate STEM curriculum. Students will build trundle wheels, learn to interpret streaming data, and learn to build and interpret 3D models of drone photographic data. Students will construct actual organic gardens, thereby learning the math, science and technology associated with this task. We will give consideration for equitable food distribution and production in rural communities.

JUNE 10- 14, 2019: (Grades 6-9) HACKING WATER RESOURCES

Middle school students will be engaged in Hacking Stem Lessons, Minecraft Edu., and Lego Robotics, along with WozU drone and integrated STEM lessons. Students will build dissolved oxygen sensors and sonar equipment. They will learn to 3D model waterways and river bottoms- essentially conducting civil engineering projects.

JUNE 17-21 & 24-28: (Grades 9-12) HACKING MEDICAL RESOURCES

High School students will be engaged in Hacking STEM Lessons, and robotics-integrated STEM lessons. Students will build robotic hands, 3D- printed hands, and invent robotic 3D-printed assistive technology for specified individuals from our community.



QR code leads to
NEFSTEM.org
Camp News

More information and
Applications can be found at
NEFSTEM.org
Email: NEFSTEM@UNF.edu



Pokey Say's



How often do you let your phone
battery run out of charge before you take
care of it?

How often do you let yourself run out
of charge... before you take care of it????

The End