

Welcome to Curriculum Chat

Third Grade

2020-2021



What PVA is all about...



WE **P**URSU^E EXCELLENCE.

WE **V**ALUE ALL.

WE **A**CHIEVE SUCCESS.

WE ARE PVA!



**BOBCATS SHOW
PRIDE. WE ARE...**

PREPARED
RESPECTFUL
INSPIRED
DETERMINED
ENGAGED



Positive Behavior Supports

- LiveSchool – PBIS!
 - Positive Behavior Intervention System – students earn points for positive behavior (PRIDE)
- Behavioral Support Steps
 - Daily support steps of a verbal warning, in-class consequence, behavior notice, and office visit



Daily Schedule

8:05 – 8:25 Arrival

2:40-2:45 Dismissal M/T/Th/F

12:45-12:55 Dismissal W

Everyday Includes:

- 90 Minute ELA Reading Instruction
- 60 Minute Math Instruction
- Science or Social Studies Instruction
- 30 Minute Lunch
- 40 Minute Resource (M/T/Th/F)
- Teacher Led PE and Recess



Communication

Email is the preferred way of communication!

Transportation Changes: All transportation changes need to be documented on the appropriate form, sent in with your child, and will be submitted to the front office PRIOR to the 9 AM deadline.

- Last minute dismissal changes must be communicated through the front office, not through teacher email.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION CHANGE FORM](#)

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS HAVE UP TO 48 SCHOOL HOURS TO RESPOND TO AN EMAIL. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT TIME SENSITIVE CONCERNS, SUCH AS TRANSPORTATION CHANGES VIA EMAIL.



Various Procedures

Attendance: It is important that your child be in class every day that is possible. School begins at 8:25 AM, and dismisses at 2:45 PM. Please remember, starting Wed. October 14th and continuing through Dec. 16th, we will begin dismissing on Wednesdays at 12:45 pm. Please make necessary arrangements.

Tardiness: A child is considered tardy after 8:31 a.m. If for some reason you are detained, please escort your child into the office to obtain a tardy slip.

Absence: Please send in a note with your child when returning to school following an illness. The office needs the excuse in writing for their records. Make up work will be given upon return.

Recess: Wear proper shoes each day.

Resource: Check weekly email for the schedule that week.

Medication: A form is required and may be obtained from the clinic website [HERE](#)

Dress Code: Please refer to page 14 of the Student Code of Conduct.



Various Procedures Cont.

Excused Absences: When your child is absent from school, please remember that our registrar must be notified via handwritten note or in email. **Excuse notes can ONLY be accepted within 48 hours of a student returning to school**, however, this does not necessarily mean the absence will be excused. **Family vacations, birthday parties, shopping trips, suspension from school, and other avoidable absences are unexcused.**

Electronic Devices and Acceptable Use: Electronic devices, including cell phones, smart phones, and smart watches should be **OFF and AWAY** during school hours, unless otherwise directed by an adult. Please refer to the district's [**Acceptable Use Policy**](#) or the Student Code of Conduct for more information.

Transportation Changes: All transportation changes need to be documented on the appropriate form (PVA website and below) and submitted to the front office **PRIOR** to the deadline.

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Volunteers & Visitors

DUE TO THE CURRENT PANDEMIC, WE ARE NOT ABLE TO ALLOW VOLUNTEERS AND/OR VISITORS IN THE BUILDING UNLESS IT IS A PREAPPROVED SPECIFIC PURPOSE

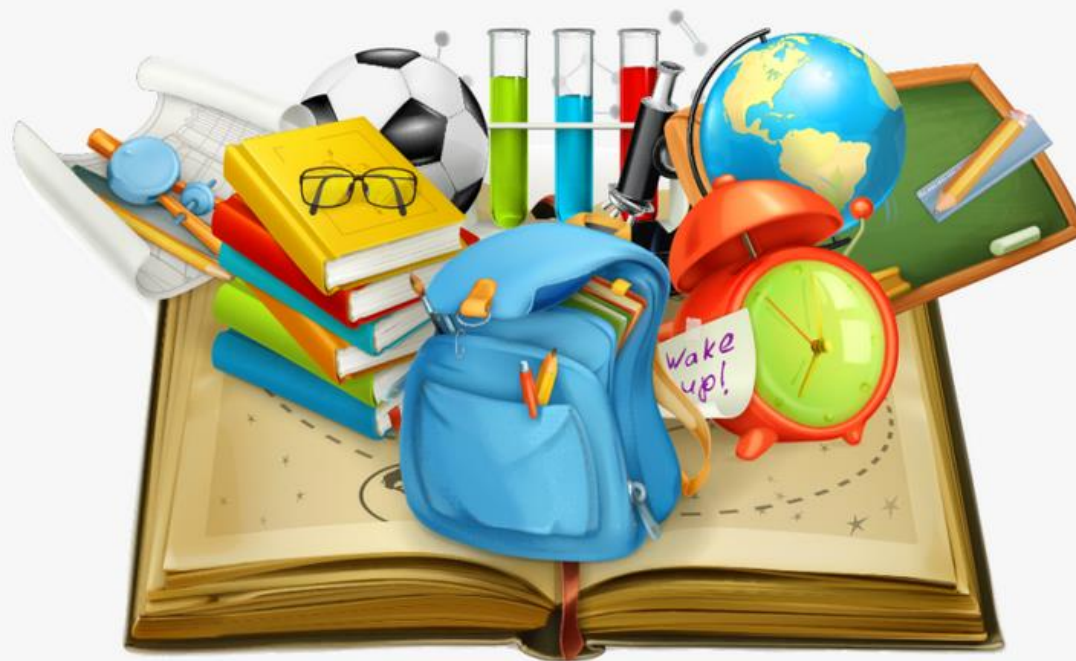
Once this restriction is lifted, a communication will be sent out with an update and details. Please remember, when we open up, only APPROVED volunteers with proper ID are allowed access through the front office and into the building.

Please complete a volunteer application which can be obtained by clicking below, or online through our PVA website.

[CLICK HERE for the Volunteer Application!](#)



Curriculum



Language Arts

Language Arts is comprised of:

- **Literature**
- **Informational Text**
- **Reading Foundations**
- **Writing**
- **Language (Conventions, Vocabulary)**

**READ
EVERYDAY** 😊

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Mathematics

Mathematics is comprised of:

- **Multiplication and Division**
- **Area**
- **Addition and Subtraction**
- **Fractions**
- **Measurement and Data**
- **Patterns**
- **Shapes**

FLUENCY COUNTS!

**Practice facts for speed
and accuracy DAILY!!!**

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Science

In Science, students will learn:

- **The Scientific Method**
- **Measurement Tools**
- **Properties of Matter**
- **All About Plants and Animals!**
- **The Sun and Stars**
- **Energy**

**SCIENCE
MATTERS!**

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Social Studies

In Social Studies, students will learn about:

- **Maps, Continents, and Oceans**
- **North America and the Caribbean**
- **Regions of the United States**
- **Economics**
- **Civics and Government**

**HISTORY
ROCKS!**

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Homework

- **Actual time will vary with each student's study habits, academic skills, and teacher expectations.**
- **Suggested time frame is 10 minutes per GRADE. Ex. – 3rd grade = 30 min.**
- **Homework may include: math reinforcement, vocabulary practice, social studies, and science.**
- **We highly encourage your child to be reading EVERY NIGHT! 😊**



Testing Information

District/School Assessments

- **iReady (Reading & Math – Fall, Winter, Spring)**
- **Common Formatives and Summatives**

State Assessments

- **FSA Math**
- **FSA Language Arts**



FSA (Florida State Assessment)

- This test is given for the first time in third grade.
- This assessment will uphold the expectation of rigor and critical thinking provided by the Florida Standards.
- 3rd grade students will be assessed on the English Language Arts and Mathematics Florida Standards.
- The testing window will open in April for Reading and May for Math.
- Third graders must pass the ELA portion of this test to be promoted to 4th grade.
- Good Cause Exemptions

In the meantime, we recommend parents exploring the following site:

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FSA](#)



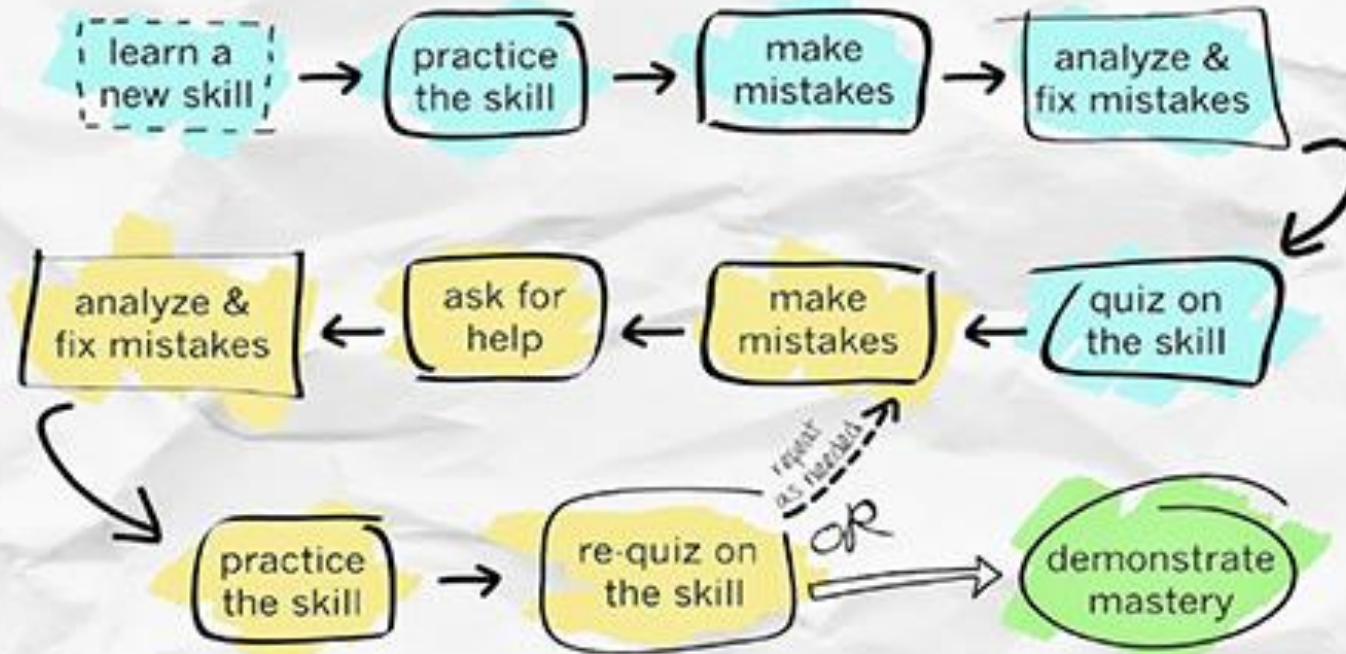
Gradebook

- **Summative (Tests) : 70%**
- **Formative (Quizzes): 30%**
- **Grade Recovery will be offered on Summatives when students are not meeting standard (below 75%)**



Grade Recovery Mindset

What is standards based grading?



Home Access Center

eSchoolPlus Home Access Center (HAC)

- Please check HAC continuously for an update on your child's grades. If you are unable to access HAC, please contact Mary Dominguez (mary.dominguez@stjohns.k12.fl.us)
- Home Access Center (HAC) allows student and parents to view their child's educational information via a secure, password protected website.

[Click HERE for the Home Access Center \(HAC\)](#)



Schoology

- District-Wide, web-based platform that is updated by your homeroom teacher (if applicable):
 - Important Announcements
 - Curriculum Resources
 - Instructional HUB for Distance Learners

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Professional Learning Communities (PLC)

Teachers meet bi-weekly on Wednesdays (while the students are in resource) to share expertise and work collaboratively to improve teaching skills and the academic performance of students.



Parent Conferences

If there is ever a time you would like to speak with your child's teachers, feel free to send them an email with any questions, or reach out to schedule a virtual or phone conference.





Have you joined the Palm Valley PTO yet?

Find out more about all our PTO does [HERE!](#)

Thank you so much for supporting our school!



Thank you!

It is a pleasure to partner with you in this year's educational journey. We appreciate your continued support.

We Pursue Excellence. We Value All. We Achieve Success.

