THE BULL PEN

Tocoi Creek High School Weekly Newsletter

OUR TRADITION STARTS HERE!

Dear Toro Nation.

Another great week at TCHS! Kudos to our Toro Chorus for their participation in the District Honor Chorus this past Monday and Tuesday! Best wishes to our Toro Marching Band, Thespians, and Winter Sports teams as we move into our mid-year activities!

2023-24 Dual Enrollment Announcement

Any student interested in taking Dual Enrollment for the 23-24 school year needs to attend Toro Time in the auditorium on November 30th

Tocoi Creek HS is searching for a Head and Assistant Girls' Lacrosse Coaches. If you have interest, please reach out to Jeff Holland at <u>Jeff.Holland@stjohns.k12.fl.us</u>.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, there will not be a Bull Pen next week (Nov. 25th).



IMPORTANT DATES

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TORO WEEK

Tues., Nov. 22nd- Band Concert @ 6PM in auditorium

Wed., Nov. 23rd- Fri. Nov. 25th -No School: Thanksgiving Holiday

Tues. Nov. 29th - Theater Parent Meeting @ 6PM

Wed., Nov. 30th- Dual Enrollment 23-24 Meeting during Toro Time

Fall Athletics Awards Night @ 6PM

Thurs., Dec. 1st- Early College Parent Night @ 6PM

Fri. Dec. 2nd- Artists in the Breezeway @ WGV

TCHS Hosts Thespian District Showcase

Sat., Dec 3rd- FL Civics and Debate Tournament @ Wolfson HS

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SAVE THE DATE

• NOVEMBER 30TH: YEARBOOK REDUCED PRICE - 11/30- \$85, 2/14 - \$95, 2/15-SOLD OUT \$100

• DECEMBER 8TH: HOLIDAY ALL ARTS SHOWCASE

• DECEMBER 12TH: CLUB PICTURES

• FEBRUARY 6TH: HURRICANE NICOLE MAKE-UP DAY (NO LONGER TEACHER INSERVICE)

• FEBRUARY 10TH: SPRING QUEEN OF HEARTS DANCE

• MARCH 3-4TH: SENIOR CAMPOUT

• APRIL 21ST: SENIOR/JUNIOR PROM @ THE RIVERHOUSE IN ST. AUGUSTINE

APRIL 22ND: SENIOR GRAD BASH @ UNIVERSAL STUDIOS

• MAY 23RD: GRADUATION @ THE AMP (ST. AUGUSTINE AMPHITHEATER) 7:00PM

TORO ATHLETICS

/ Tance

Monday, 11/21/22 @ 5:30/7:20PM Soccer- Girls vs Fleming Island@ TCHS Monday, 11/21/22 @ 6/7:30PM Basketball- Boys vs Palatka @ TCHS

Tuesday, 11/22/22 @ 5:30/7:15PM Soccer-Boys vs Bishop Kenny @ Bishop Kenny

Tuesday, 11/22/22 @ 6/7:30PM Basketball- Girls vs Baker County @ Baker County

Monday, 11/29/22 @ 5:30/7:20 Soccer-Boys vs Orange Park @ Orange Park

Tuesday, 11/29/22 @ 5:30/7:20 Soccer-Boys vs Ponte Vedra @TCHS

Tuesday, 11/29/22 @ 5:30/7:20 Soccer-Girls vs Ponte Vedra @PVHS

Tuesday, 11/29/22 @ 6/7:30 PM Basketball- Girls vs Fletcher @ TCHS

Wednesday, 11/30 @ 4:30 PM Weightlifting- Girls vs. Menendez @ TCHS

Thursday, 12/1/22 @ 6/7:30PM Basketball-Boys vs Bishop Kenny @ TCHS

Thursday, 12/1/22 @ 6/7:30PM Basketball-Girls vs Bartram Trail @ BTHS

Friday, 12/2/22 @ 5:30/7:20 Soccer-Girls vs Providence @ Providence HS

Friday, 12/2/22 @6/7:30PM Basketball- Girls vs Beachside @ TCHS

Saturday, 12/3/22 @ 10AM Wrestling Optimist Invitational @ Sandalwood High



"This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in."

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Thankful Givings Donation Drive

This collection will benefit
Hugs Across Saint Johns County
and local students in need.
Items should be sealed, non-perishable, and enjoyable.

Canned goods: soups, ravioli, green beans, corn

Boxed goods: Mac & Cheese, cereal, mashed potato mix

Individually Wrapped Snack Foods: chips, trail mix, dried fruit, crackers, granola bars, Goldfish, Nutri Grain bars

Simple Meals: Ramen, rice, noodles

Full-sized bathroom products: shampoos, body washes,

feminine products, towels

Please Drop-Off donations to the Front Office or Rooms 4-009, 4-034, 1-020.





Final Collection Date: Monday 11/21

TCHS SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for information on how to document community service hours? How about existing opportunities available for all students? Please click here for the most up to date information from our Student Services Department.

Horns Up!

Help Tocoi WIN the High School Toys for Tots Collection Competition!

October 25 - December 2

Donate packaged toys to collection bins found in the Main Office or The Hub

Rules on Type of Toys:

-Toys must be new and unwrapped -Clothing, food, and toy guns (including nerf guns) are not accepted

Each packaged toy donated gives you one entry into the drawings for prizes. Simone's will be catering lunch for the top donators.



Come out on Dec 2 to the Home Basketball Opening Game and receive FREE Admittance when a toy is donated!

TCHS National Honor Society would like to thank the following businesses for supporting the above cause: Edible Arrangements, BeautyMark, Café Cairano, Wawa, Pizza Hut, Orangetheory, St. Mary's Seafood, Jeremiah's Italian Ice, Ruby Tuesday, Willie Jewels, Taco Bell, Shell, China Sun, The Village Chiropractic, Blue Wave Nurtirition, Gator's Dockside, Posh Nails, Coldstone Creamery, Dominoes, Hair Mechanix, Tropical Smoothie Café, Pirate Pizza, Dollar General, Simone's, and the new Publix store #1729.



Who is my counselor?

- Elizabeth Wright 9th and 10th last names A-L elizabeth.wright@stjohns.k12.fl.us
- Rachel Blount 9th and 10th last names M-Z rachel.blount@stjohns.k12.fl.us
- D'Erica Gibbs 11th and 12th last names A-L derica.gibbs@stjohns.k12.fl.us
- Linda Smith 11th and 12th last names M-Z linda.m.smith@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Please use the following contact points for your scheduling or registration needs:

Registration, Schedule Questions, Schedule a Date/Time with a Counselor:

o Kim Tabala – (904) 547 – 4278 <u>kimberly.tabala@stjohns.k12.fl.us</u>

Home Access Center (HAC), Registration Questions o Marvin Jenkins - (904) 547 - 4275 <u>marvin.jenkins@stjohns.k12.fl.us</u>

Important Dates:

Nov. 30th- Dual Enrollment Interest Meeting during Toro Time in the auditorium

March 29th-Technical College and Career Fair

Students who participate in the free and/or reduced lunch program are eligible for a standardized test waiver. Please see your school counselor for additional information.

HELPFUL LINKS:

- Bright Futures
- FAFSA
- ACT/SAT Test Prep & Tutoring

TUTORING

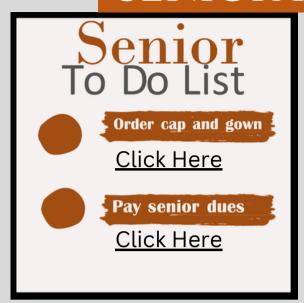
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DURING TORO TIME IN
THE CAFETERIA

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR INDIVIDUAL TUTORING BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL



TUTORING PROVIDED BY.
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS

SENIOR INFORMATION



Senior Yearbook Information

ADS for our 1st ever graduating class! To purchase a senior ad and celebrate your graduate, please visit https://buytheyearbook.com/.
Ads may be purchased until 12/1, but space is limited and may sell out prior to date. Please see flyer. THERE ARE ONLY 10 SPOTS REMAINING!!!

The TCHS Yearbook is now accepting SENIOR

GradBash

GradBash is a special ticketed event for seniors at Universal Studios. Seniors cannot use an annual pass for access to this event or drive themselves. All GradBash spots have been reserved, but we do offer a waiting list if spaces open up or a student who planned to go would like to sell their ticket. If we reach you on the waiting list, a senior sponsor will contact you with information on making a deposit, paying in full, or completing a transfer with another senior. You will have a limited amount of time to respond before we remove you from the waiting list and go to the next person on the list. You MUST have paid your senior dues to keep your spot in line on the waiting

<u>Click Here</u> to join the Waiting List.





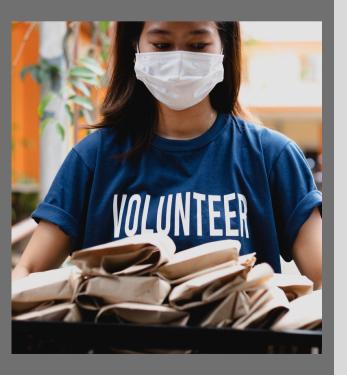


TCHS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

TCHS is looking for some OUTSTANDING staff members to work with our Toros! Please email Mr. Willets directly at <u>Jay.willets@stjohns.k12.fl.us</u> for any of the Following positions:

- ENGLISH/ ESE TEACHER (40% 11TH GRADE ELA AND 60% ESE)
- ESE PARAPROFESSIONAL (1 OFFERING BASE PAY STARTING AT \$15 PER HOUR AND FULL BENEFITS)
- CUSTODIAL (2 FULL TIME OFFERINGS WITH BASE PAY STARTING AT \$15 PER HOUR AND FULL BENEFITS)
 - GIRL'S LACROSSE COACH (HEAD AND ASSISTANT)





TCHS CAREER ACADEMIES

Be sure to check out the <u>November edition</u> of the Academy Newsletter to see everything your students are working on in the career academies.

Upcoming Events:

- Nov 19th- First Tech Challenge Robotics Competition
- Nov 22nd Adobe Illustrator Retake Exams
- Nov 29- Field trip to SJR St. Augustine Campus- Healthcare (invite only)
- Dec 6th- AutoCAD and Premier Pro Retakes
- Dec 7th- Guest Speaker: Rulon (Emerging Tech & Built Environment)
- Dec 10th- First Tech Challenge Robotics Competition



SAC MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8TH @ 8:10AM IN MR. CABRERA'S ROOM, BUIDLING 2

Want to get involved?
Contact Mr. Joany Cabrera, SAC President, at Joany.cabrera@stjohns.k12.fl.us or 904-547-4260 ext. 8244

PARENT INVOLVEMENT



Join the Athletics Booster to hep with:

- Facility improvement
 Projects
- Fundraising
- Concession Stand
- Promoting the School

If interested, contact: jeff.holland@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Please join us in supporting the fine arts at Tocoi Creek High School. The vision of the One Toro Arts Booster Organization is to ensure that ALL students at Tocoi Creek High School benefit from the collaborative support of our parent, community, and booster organization. Membership benefits includes two tickets to the All-Arts Showcase, two tickets to one theatre production of your choice and a TC arts car decal. It's worth it to join just for those benefits! You can join the One Toro Arts Booster Organization and follow us on Facebook @OneToroArtsBoosters



UPCOMING TESTING DATES:

- Geometry, Biology &US History Retake Window: Nov. 29-Dec. 16
- Govt/Econ Final Exam: Dec. 13th and 15th
- ELA FAST Grade 10: Jan. 9th and 10th
- ELA FAST Grade 9: Jan. 12th and 13th

For more dates and info click here!



Helpful Links

TCHS Yearbook

Lunch Applications

SJCSD Dress Code

TCHS Clubs

Absences and Early
Dismissal

Athletic Games Pass

<u>Cafeteria</u>

<u>Schoology</u>

