

# Osceola Elementary School

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## Paw Prints

**July 22, 2021**

**Rebecca Keffer**  
Principal

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Assistant Principal



## ENJOY AND RELAX THIS SUMMER!



August 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 1:00 PM:	OES Wildcat Play Date
August 12 <sup>th</sup> , 5:30-7:00:	Pre-K/Kinder Meet the Teacher
August 13 <sup>th</sup> , 8:00-11:00:	Grades 1-5 Meet the Teacher
August 16 <sup>th</sup> :	First Day of School
August 18 <sup>th</sup> :	Early Release Wednesday
August 24 <sup>th</sup> , 5:30:	PTO Informational Mtg & Meet the New Admin
August 25 <sup>th</sup> :	Early Release Wednesday
September, All Month	Fairness (Orange) is the Character Counts! Pillar for September
September 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2:00:	Early Release Wednesday
September 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Labor Day – No School

Hello Wonderful Wildcat Families,

I hope you and your children are doing well and enjoying some summer fun. With the past school year behind us and the new year on the horizon, please know that we have missed your children and do look forward to their return in just a few short weeks.

On **Monday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, we plan to host a Popsicle Play Date on the big playground and hope we get to see some of our wildcats prior to the start of the school year. It is required that any child be accompanied by an adult. **The event will start at 1:00** and I hope you and your child can join us for a little fun and a popsicle. Please RSVP below by Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup>:

[Wildcat Popsicle Play Date RSVP](#)

Prior to the start of school on **Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**, your child will have an opportunity to meet their teacher. **Pre-K and Kindergarten** students are invited to meet their teacher on **Thursday evening, August 12<sup>th</sup>, between 5:30 and 7:00**. **Students in 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades** are invited to meet their teacher on Friday morning, **August 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00**.

We do have many students who we are not able to place in classrooms yet because their **Returning Student Verification** form has not been completed. If you haven't already done so, please complete this action step as soon as possible so your student will have as smooth a start as possible for the 21-22 school year. Finally, if you have any **outstanding residency documentation**, please provide these to our computer operator, Mary Tatum as soon as possible.

Finally, our PTO has been incredibly busy this summer planning for the next school year and they need your help. Please **consider getting involved**, becoming a member of the PTO and giving your support even if your contribution can only be a little. Please put on your calendar and plan to attend our **PTO Informational Meeting on Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30**. As a bonus if you attend this meeting, you will also get a chance to **meet our new Assistant Principal, Mrs. Lucie Cantrell** and for those of you who don't know me, I will also be there joining in on the excitement.

As you soak in these last days of summer, enjoy your family and this time with your little ones for they are fleeting. Read a book, tell stories, color and count the stars together, because each one of these activities will help your child develop a strong foundation that will propel them into success.

Sincerely,  
*Mrs. Rebecca Keffer*  
Principal

### Returning Student Verification Form

Thank you to all of you who have completed the returning student verification form. If you have not completed the returning student verification form, please do so immediately so your child can be scheduled into a classroom. This would have come to your email from the St. Johns County School District.

#### Proof of Residency Documentation

Lease or Mortgage Statement

Utility bill dated within 30 days

**One additional bill with your address such as a cell phone bill, credit card bill, bank statement, vehicle registration, etc.**

# ReadingIQ™

Reading IQ provides free online books to children 12 and under. Age of Learning is partnering with the Florida House of Representatives to immediately support the New Worlds Reading Initiative, which provides quality literary resources to Florida families. This partnership offers every Florida family FREE access, through Dec. 31, 2021, to a comprehensive library of digital books for children 12 and under.

[Visit the Reading IQ website now](#)

## School Access Forms

In a continuing effort to provide safety and security to our students and staff we ask that you complete a School Access Form if you plan to visit Osceola during the school year. This includes participating in activities in your child's classroom, eating lunch with your child in the cafeteria (when available), attending field trips, book fairs, field days, conferences, as well as reading to students, tutoring, mentoring, attending awards ceremonies, graduations..etc.

You can find the link to the School Access Form on our website or copy the link below. We also have paper forms in the front office.

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

Remember: processing may take up to several weeks. Do not wait until the last minute to apply. Once you are cleared your school access is good for 3 years. If you have questions or need further information, please call Mrs. Lawshe in the front office at 547-3780. Thank You.

**\*Any family member attending an event at Osceola MUST be cleared.**



School Supply lists are available on our school website and at the link below.

[K-5 Supply List 21-22](#)

[Pre-K Supply List](#)



The Character Counts Pillars of Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship are essential qualities to model and instill in our students.

All individuals are valuable and can make meaningful contributions.

A caring and compassionate learning environment will support the needs of the whole child and inspire all to reach their full potential.

Leaders are life long learners



## New Student Registration

If you have or know someone with a new student who has not already enrolled in St. Johns County School District, please encourage them to do so ASAP at the link below

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/student/enrollment/>

### [New Student Registration 2021-2022.pdf](#)

Registration Requirements:

- Proof of Residency.
- Proof of Immunization.
- Copy of Birth Certificate.
- Physical/Health Exam within 12 months of enrollment.

Homes by Sam and Tanya is partnering with St. Johns County Schools, Inc. Hugs across the County, and the St. Johns County Sheriff's Department to help students in need. We are accepting brand new school supplies, bookbags, clothing, and shoes for students from Kindergarten to High School. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 in supplies and clothing for children. No cash donations will be accepted at this event.

**▶ JULY 29TH, 9-11AM ◀**

**LOCATION:**  
Homes by Sam and Tanya  
252 Paseo Reyes Dr. 32095

Free Pastry and Coffee will be available. Feel free to stay awhile and meet the Real Estate Team and Officers.

**ITEMS NEEDED:**

TEENAGE BACKPACKS,  
LUNCH BOXES, NOTEBOOKS,  
MARKERS/CRAYONS,  
PENS/PENCILS, SCISSORS,  
ONE SUBJECT BINDERS,  
COMPOSITION PAPER