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Message from Mrs. Kunze

Students had a lot of fun this week participating in homecoming activities. The seniors had the most participation dressing up each day, so they will be rewarded with ice cream during lunch one day next week. Thank you to all students for a fabulous homecoming week!

We ended the homecoming festivities today with a traditional pep rally and unfortunately our gym is not large enough to hold the entire student body, so only students who participated in Spirit Day were allowed to attend. We started with seniors, juniors, sophomores and then there was only room for about 250 of the 650 freshman, so we only allowed those who were really showing school spirit with their attire. I know that some students were upset, but this was the most fair way to let students attend.

The homecoming dance is tomorrow night, Saturday, from 7:30pm to 11pm here at Nease in the gym. We do not enforce the dress code, but dresses should be tasteful and not revealing.

Of the 6 days missed for Hurricane IRMA, we only have to make-up 2 of the days - YEAH!! Students will need to attend school on Monday, October 16th, which was a teacher planning day, and Friday, November 10th, Veteran's Day.

If you have not completed the survey for our accreditation process, please take a few minutes. Thank you.
<http://provesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/##/action/28637/19972>

Please ensure that you are checking grades on HAC on a regular basis. Grades should be updated on a weekly basis by teachers. If you have questions or concerns regarding grades, please contact the teacher first.

Nocatee Loop will be hosting a Nease Spirit Night this Friday night before the homecoming football game. From 4-7pm they will be donating a portion of their profit to Nease Cheerleading. Please support your high school cheerleaders by eating at the Nocatee Loop on Friday and mentioning "Nease Spirit" when you order. Then join us at the football game to cheer your Panthers to a win!

Good News!!

NJROTC is in the news!

<http://pontevedrarecorder.com/stories/nease-cadets-tend-18th-pin-during-junior-players-championship.4471>

The Varsity Volleyball Team won against Middleburg last night.
The JV Volleyball Team also won against Middleburg last night.
The Freshman Volleyball Team won against Episcopal on Wednesday night!
Congratulations Lady Panthers!!

Coaches or Team Moms of sports/clubs can email Mrs. Kunze at Lisa.Kunze@stjohns.k12.fl.us by 4pm on Thursdays with any good news for their sport/club. Please use Arial font size 12. Thank you!

Mark your calendar - Important Dates

1st Quarter Ends - Friday, October 13th

Planning day - No school for students - Monday, October 16th

Nease College Fair - Wednesday, October 18th from 6-8pm in gym

Report cards issued - Tuesday, October 24th

Last day of 2nd quarter/1st semester - Thursday, December 21st - It is very important for students to be present through exams. Make-ups will not be administered until January and could affect record card grades.

Winter Break - Friday, December 22nd through Friday, January 5th

2nd semester starts - Monday, January 8th

SAC News

SAC Chair - Christina Talbot

School Advisory Council dates for 17-18.

As always, this is a public meeting, and all are welcome to attend.

NEW MEETING DATES & TIME

Meetings will be from 8-9am on the following dates.

October 12th

November 9th

December 14th

February 8th

March 8th

April 12th

May 10th

PTSO News

PTSO Meeting Dates

Meetings start at 2:30pm in Panther Hall

October 17th

November 14th

Interested in writing a birthday or congratulation message to your child on the marquee? Complete the form and submit to main office for PTSO.

[Announcement Form for Marquee](#)

Testing

Testing Coordinator - Cynthia Messenger Email - Cynthia.Messenger@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Just a reminder that the ACT that was to take place on Saturday, September 9th has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 30th. Students need to log-in to their ACT account and print-out their new Admission Ticket.

The PSAT exams have been ordered, so we can not accept any late registrations.

Upcoming Testing Dates:

Dates below are NEW. All dates were pushed back due to Hurricane Irma.

September 21st & 22nd – Alg. 1 and Geometry EOC

September 26th – Biology and US History EOC

September 28th – FSA Writing Retakes

October 2nd & 3rd – Reading Retakes

Attached is the AP/IB testing calendar for May. The dates and times of these exams are set by outside agencies and we cannot change them. PLEASE do not schedule appointments or vacations during this time.

[AP/IB Testing Calendar - May 2018](#)

Policy Reminders

This week, many students were tardy to class without their ID. Students need to have their ID on them every day. If they need it and don't have it, we are printing a new one for \$5 or placing them on the debt list for \$5. Please help them remember.

We have had too many dress code violations this week. Our dress code is very reasonable and easy to follow. The issues are jeans with holes that are 4" above the knee and shirts that expose the stomach. After a warning, dress code violations are considered defiance.

2nd offense - 1 lunch detention

3rd offense - 3 lunch detentions

4th offense - 1 day of ISS

5th offense - 2 days of ISS or Saturday School

6th offense - 1 day of OSS

Dress code violations will restart 2nd semester.

College Visits

Juniors and seniors, sign up using Naviance for college visits. Print out the confirmation page to use as your pass. You must get permission to be out of class BEFORE you go to the visit.

See the [September Calendar](#) and [October Calendar](#)

Monday, September 25th

*none

Tuesday, September 26th

*Washington University - 12:40pm to 1:30pm in Media Center classroom

Wednesday, September 27th

*University of North Florida - noon to 12:45pm in Media Center classroom

Thursday, September 28th

*none

Friday, September 29th

*SUNY Cortland - 11am to 11:30am in Media Center classroom

IB News

IB Coordinator: Missy Kennedy - Missy.kennedy@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Organizational Meeting for the Third Annual SOUPer Bowl

- The epic community soup tasting event is back for its third year! In a memorable evening that brings the community and our favorite local restaurants together, the SOUPer Bowl event raises funds to end student hunger in St. Johns County. Over the past two years this event has raised nearly \$60,000 for Blessings in a Backpack, St. Johns County!!! We are looking for some new team members as we plan this year's SOUPer Bowl, please join us for an informational planning meeting on Tuesday, September 26, 1:00-3:00, at Nease HS in conference room 104 to learn more about this awesome event!

- Save the date for the Third Annual SOUPer Bowl–Thursday, February 1, 6:00-8:00pm.
- Please email Becky Dykstra, abdykstra@sbcglobal.net, with any questions.

· Our first IB Social (a.k.a. Pizza Lunch) is this upcoming week September 28th in the Gym during EXCEL time. All grade levels may attend from 12:37-1:32

· Juniors & Seniors! Please sign up in Naviance for college visits. Print out the confirmation page to use as your pass. You must get permission from your teacher to be out of class BEFORE you go to the visit. See the [September Calendar](#) and [October Calendar](#) to view participating schools. Limit of 5 on-site visits per year.

· Please make sure you are turning in your community service hour documentation to Mrs. Kennedy, so that it can be updated in eSchool.

· Our 2nd IB Booster Meeting for Parents took place on September 20th in the Media Center Production Room. If you would like more information to join or have questions about IB Booster meetings, the College Fair, the Pinning Ceremony or IB Socials, please contact our co-presidents, Lyn Wolfe & Amrita Bhargava at neaseib@gmail.com. The next IB Booster meeting is scheduled for October 18th at 9:30.

Seniors

· We have 58 Seniors going on the NY Trip. 2nd Payment for NY Trip is due on October 19th. Please turn in to [Mrs. Kennedy](#) no later than the end of the school day.

· *REVISED* CAS 2nd [Interviews](#) began on September 7th with Mrs. Kunkel. Please make sure you are prepared for your meeting.

· IB Pinning Ceremony- October 24th at 6:30 in the PAC. Sign-ups to select Juniors will be placed in Ms. Williams' room.

· Exploring College Options: Student/Parent Informational Presentation for Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, Penn & Stanford Universities. [Register](#) for Jacksonville session held on October 5th at 7:00 pm, Jacksonville Marriott.

· Upcoming September [Scholarship](#) Deadlines:

See link above with directions as to how to submit your request for nomination.

- UNC Charlotte: Levine Scholars Program (September 25th)
- UNC Chapel Hill: Morehead-Cain Scholar (September 25th)
- National Merit Semi-Finalist Packet (October 11th)

Juniors

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Sophomores & Freshman

Nominations for the [Youth Leadership Jacksonville Program](#) will be soon. Information packets will be available to interested Sophomores and Freshman in Mrs. Kennedy's office. A date will be given out soon as to when the packets may be picked up

[AP/IB Testing Calendar](#) May 2018.

Academy News

For the latest Nease Academy News, check out the [September edition](#) of the Career Academy Newsletter:

Upcoming Academy Field Trips:

Sally Corporation – Stellar Academy of Engineering, Principles of Engineering students (September 26th)

Sally Corporation – Communications Academy Digital Design (September 28th)

Flagler Legacy Tour – Academy of Hospitality & Tourism (October 2nd)

Whetstone's Chocolate Factory – Stellar Academy of Engineering, Introduction to Engineering Design students (Field trip forms are out, due back by Oct. 3rd)

Leonard's Studio Tour – Communications Academy Digital Design (October 19th)

Castillo de San Marcos – Academy of Hospitality & Tourism Intro to Hospitality and Marketing Management students (October 19th)

Ripley's Believe It or Not – Digital Information Technology students in Hospitality and Digital Design (November 2nd)

IceMen Hockey Event and Marketing Tour – Communications Academy Sports Media, Communications

Academy teachers will provide more information about field trips, as well as field trip permission forms, two weeks before the scheduled trips.

The Ponte Vedra Recorder is looking for a student journalist to cover Nease sporting events for the newspaper. If you're interested in seeing your work in professional print and building your journalism portfolio, call the Editor of the Ponte Vedra Recorder, Jon Blauvelt, at 904-686-3943.

If you have any questions or concerns about Nease's Academy of Hospitality & Tourism, Communications Academy, or the Stellar Academy of Engineering, please contact Jaime Combs, Academy Coordinator, at Jaime.combs@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Guidance News

Guidance Distribution:

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Please contact your child's counselor if you need to schedule a parent/teacher conference with all of your child's teachers. If you just need to meet with one teacher, please contact the teacher directly.

Welcome to Family Connection by Naviance!

What is Family Connection?

Family Connection is a comprehensive website that will be a huge help to you and your family as you embark on the next steps of your education – college and career preparation. Family Connection is linked to Naviance Succeed, a service that we use at Nease to track and analyze data about college and career plans for our students, so it provides up-to-date information that is specific to Nease.

Family Connection will allow you to:

1. Get involved in the college and career planning and advising process:

- Build your resume to use for your college applications and share with your counselors and teachers who will be writing recommendations for you.
- Build a list of colleges you are considering and share with your counselor.
- Sign up for colleges visiting Nease.
- Request transcripts and teacher recommendations for the college admissions process.

2. Research colleges:

- Compare GPA, standardized test scores and other statistics to actual historical data from our school for students who have applied and been admitted in the past.
- Perform different searches and comparisons to find colleges that match your interests.

3. Research careers:

- Research hundreds of careers and career clusters to determine what you may be interested in pursuing as a career.
- Take career assessment tests to see what career may fit your personality.

4. Research scholarship opportunities and enrichment programs:

- Research local, university, national and other scholarship opportunities.
- Research enrichment programs that you may want to pursue in the summer.

5. Communicate with your school:

- Keep up to date on many school events such as testing or college visits at Nease.
- Keep in contact with your counselor.

To visit our school's Family Connection site, go to:

<http://connection.naviance.com/allennease/>

Email or visit Ms. Kunkel for your personal access code (click on I Need to Register under Are You New Here? Then enter the personal code given) and follow the on-screen instructions to create your own account. Your parents can also receive their own personal access code if they contact Ms. Kunkel.

We hope that you find this website helpful. Please contact us with any questions you may have.

Natalie Kunkel, Naviance Coordinator
natalie.kunkel@stjohns.k12.fl.us
Wed. & Thurs. – Mrs. Hollis' office

Naviance Accounts for Nease Students – A Way to Plan your Future!

Each Nease student can create his or her own **Family Connection by Naviance** account. Family Connection by Naviance is a comprehensive website that will be a huge help to each student and their family as they embark on planning the next steps of their life after high school through **college and career planning and preparation**. Family Connection is linked to Naviance Succeed, a service that we use at Nease to track and analyze data about college and career plans for our students, so it provides up-to-date information that is specific to Nease. See the attached [Welcome Letter](#) to read about everything that you can do in your Naviance account.

To access the **sign in page** for Naviance, go to the Nease website and under the Guidance dropdown menu (in the black bar), click on [Naviance](#). If you already have an account you can sign in with your email and password that you registered with. If you do not have an account yet, click on I Need to Register on the right side of the page and enter your personal code. This personal code can be obtained from Mrs. Kunkel, our Naviance Coordinator, at natalie.kunkel@stjohns.k12.fl.us or your [Guidance Counselor](#).

Seniors and juniors are especially encouraged to have a Naviance account. In addition to researching careers and colleges, seniors and juniors can sign up for college representative visits here at Nease. Seniors also have the ability to send transcripts and recommendation letters from teachers and guidance counselors electronically (including those required via the Common Application and Coalition) to almost all colleges and universities in the United States and some abroad. Questions? Email or come ask in the Guidance Department in Building C and ask to speak with Mrs. Kunkel or your Guidance Counselor. [Transcript request forms](#) and fee (\$2/transcript) should be turned in to the Guidance Department or on the Nease website – be sure to also request these transcripts in your Naviance account.

ATTENTION SENIORS!!!!!!!

The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program has helped more than 725,000 Florida students attend a postsecondary institution. The application process opens on October 1, 2017.

Step 1 : Go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/bf to find out how to qualify for Bright Futures.

Step 2: Go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org and submit a completed error free Initial Student Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) during your last year of high school.

The 2017-2018 Bright Futures Student Handbook: Initial Eligibility Requirements can be found at the following link:

<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/PDF/BFHandbookChapter1.pdf>

There is a community service requirement for the Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards. If you have community service hours that you have not turn in to your School Counselor, please turn them in so they can be entered into the system. There is a community service form available on the Nease website under the Guidance department link.

Scholarships Available - please click on the link below. When viewing the list, click on the logo to read information for each scholarship.

[List of Available Scholarships](#)

AES Scholarship Deadline Is Approaching

The deadline for the 12th annual AES Scholarship is October 6, 2017.

Visit our website at <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>

The winner(s) will be announced within 2 weeks of the deadline.

Each winner will be personally notified by email.

Media Center

Media Specialist: Carolyn Milian
Media Para: Lorna Patterson

During lunches the media center is a place for students to study. Students who just want to hang-out and

socialize, need to find somewhere else to go.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at carolyn.milian@stjohns.k12.fl.us or call 547-8367. Have a great weekend and don't forget to READ-READ-READ!!

Seniors Only

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SENIOR DUES

Each senior is charged \$55 in dues to pay for the cost to cover senior activities and graduation. Each high school is responsible for paying the UNF rental fee, security fees, jumbo tron fees, stage decoration fees, printing of programs & tickets, etc.

The \$55 fee can be paid by credit card online on the Senior page of Nease website or by cash or check made payable to Nease High School. Cash & checks need to be delivered to room 234 in Panther Hall before school starting the week of September 11th. **The link to pay dues online is now working on the senior page of the Nease website.**

CAP and GOWN

Seniors attended an assembly with Rhodes Jostens on Thursday to learn about items to order for graduation. There are extra packets of materials on the counter in the front office.

This year we will be using RENTAL gowns from Rhodes Jostens instead of purchasing a gown. The cost is \$21. The order form is a little confusing, because there are expensive packages advertised in large blocks at the top of the form. You are welcome to purchase one of these packages, but what is REQUIRED is listed at the very bottom of the form as...

8. Cap/Gown/Tassel/Medallion - \$37.95

IF you have a cap and tassel from an older child, then all that is required is...

9. Gown only - \$21

Representatives from Rhodes Josten will be on campus the following days and times to receive orders.
LAST DAY - Tuesday, October 10th from 11:40-1:15pm

LAST DAY to pay for senior orders - Thursday, February 22nd.

Senior delivery date - Thursday, March 8th for last names A-L

Friday, March 9th for last names M-Z

Graduation Rehearsal (REQUIRED) - Thursday, May 17th from 10am to 12pm at UNF Arena

Graduation - Monday, May 21st at 7pm at UNF Arena

Happenings at Nease this week

Monday, September 25th

*6:30pm to 8:30pm Youth in Government meeting in B-103

*AWAY: JV & V Volleyball at St. Augustine at 5:30pm

Tuesday, September 26th

- *Biology & US History EOC
- *Communications Academy FT to Sally Corporation
- *12:37 to 1:30pm - Link Crew Mtg in gym
- *1pm to 3pm - SOUPer Bowl Committee meeting
- *HOME: Boys Golf vs Fleming Island at Palencia
- *HOME: JV & V Volleyball vs Flagler Palm Coast at 5:30pm
- *AWAY: Girls Golf vs Bolles at Bolles at 3:30pm
- *6:30pm - Gifted Parent Advisory Board Council & Parent Trainings at St Augustine HS in media center

Wednesday, September 27th

- *AWAY: Boys Golf vs Bartram Trail at Cimarron

Thursday, September 28th

- *Communications Academy FT to Sally Corporation
- *IB Social during EXCEL time in gym
- *AWAY: 4:30pm - Swim meet vs Ponte Vedra at PV YMCA
- *AWAY: 6pm - JV Football at St Augustine

Friday, September 29th

- *8am - NJROTC Drill team practice in gym
- *Elections for Freshman class officers during EXCEL time
- AWAY: 7pm - V Football at Matanzas

Saturday, September 30th

- *Volleyball tournament at Bolles
- *NJROTC drill meet at Ed White HS
- *Swim meet (SJ Conference) at Cecil Field Aquatic Center

Student Life

Where can you hang out during EXCEL Time?

[CLICK HERE](#) to view a map. The highlighted areas are acceptable courtyards during EXCEL time. Please remember to pick up your trash and to use the time wisely to seek help in advance from teachers.

Freshman Student Council elections will occur during lunch next Friday, September 29th

Miss Nease informational meeting is Tuesday, September 26th at 8:45am in F-104.
(Miss Nease is open for junior girls only.)

Nease Clubs

Attached is a list of clubs at Nease High School with Sponsor's name, meeting location, and meeting date/time. If you have any questions, please contact the Club Sponsor.

[List of Clubs for 17-18](#)

Nease Athletics

Nease has 24 sports teams for students to join. There are fees to participate in sports with a one-time athletic fee per year.

Fall Sports - Start date of July 31st

- Cross Country - Boys & Girls - Coach Ted DeVos
- Football - Coach Tim Krause
- Golf-Boys - Coach Michael Kypriss
- Golf-Girls - Coach Bobbie Beattie
- Swim - Coach Gustavo Calado
- Volleyball - Coach Don Watson

Winter Sports

Basketball - Girls - Coach Sherri Anthony - Start date of Oct 30th

Basketball - Boys - Coach Josh Bailen - Start date of Nov 6th

Competitive Cheerleading - Coach Melissa Fraum - Start date of Oct 9th - tryouts were April 25th

Soccer - Boys - Coach Fred Hallett - Start date of Oct 23rd

Soccer - Girls - Coach Jay Shepherd - Start date of Oct 16th

Weightlifting - Girls - Coach Tim Dennis - Start date of Oct 9th

Wrestling - Coach Craig Muckle - Start date of Nov 6th

Spring Sports

Baseball - Coach Jerimiah Klosterman - Start date of Jan 29th

Lacrosse - Boys - Coach Max Gurowski - Start date of Jan 29th

Lacrosse - Girls - Coach Holly Ventimiglia - Start date of Jan 29th

Softball - Open - Start date of Jan 22nd

Tennis - Boys/Girls - Coach Michael Kypriss - Start date of Jan 22nd

Track & Field - Coach Bernie Blue - Start date of Jan 22nd

Weightlifting - Boys - Open - Start date of Jan 8th

All of the FHSAA paperwork required for your student to participate in sports at Nease are located on the website under the "Forms" tab. Tryout information is listed on the Nease Athletic website. Paperwork MUST be turned in BEFORE a student can tryout for a team.

[Nease Athletic Website](#)

From the District

The final Town Hall meeting to discuss Attendance Zoning changes for the two new K-8 Schools will be held Monday, September 25 at 6 p.m. at First Coast Technical College, Character Counts Conference Center/Building C, located at 2890 Collins Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32084. These K-8 Schools are currently under construction and opening for the 2018-2019 school year. K-8 School KK is located at 2135 Palm Valley Road, Ponte Vedra, FL, 32081 and is being constructed using monies from the school impact fees, school proportionate share mitigation fees and the half-cent sales tax passed in November 2015. K-8 School LL is located at 1365 Shetland Drive, Saint Johns, FL, 32259 and is being constructed using monies from half-cent sales tax. Other possible attendance zone changes relate to Heritage Park located off of Woodlawn Road and the Sawmill Lakes development located off of SR 207, both in St. Augustine. A revised zoning plan for Northwest St. Johns County students is posted here <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/zoning/>

There will be an opportunity for the public to provide comment. School Board members and district staff will be in attendance.

At this time, the proposals impact the current attendance zones and students at Cunningham Creek Elementary, Durbin Creek Elementary, Fruit Cove Middle School, Alice B. Landrum Middle School, Otis A. Mason Elementary School, R.J. Murray Middle School, Ocean Palms Elementary, Palencia Elementary School, Pacetti Bay Middle School, Patriot Oaks Academy, Sebastian Middle School, Switzerland Point Middle School and Valley Ridge Academy.

This meeting takes the place of the meeting originally scheduled for September 14, but canceled due to Hurricane Irma.

If you have an extenuating circumstance and need to request special bus transportation, please click on the link below to read procedures.

[Transportation Waiver Process](#)

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Would you like more information? How about coming on a tour so YOU can see what the excitement is all

about!

Call 904-547-3354 or email Jennifer Wills at jennifer.wills@stjohns.k12.fl.us

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