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Dear Panther Families,

This week I would like to send a heartfelt thank you to the Allen D. Nease Teachers . Our teachers work hard, engage our students in rigorous and captivating lessons and their collaboration increases the learning two-fold. During our faculty meeting this week our teachers took a moment to recognize their colleagues for one reason or another with a **Marigold Plant,** thanking peers for curriculum support, for making copies, for covering a class period so a team member could attend to a family need, helping with substitutes and so on. This is analogous to **The Marigold Effect**. Many experienced gardeners follow a concept called companion planting: placing certain vegetables and plants near each other to improve growth for one or both plants. For example, rose growers plant garlic near their roses because it repels bugs and prevents fungal diseases. Among companion plants, the marigold is one of the best. It protects a wide variety of plants from pests and harmful weeds. If you plant a marigold beside most any garden vegetable, that vegetable will grow big and strong and healthy, protected and encouraged by its marigold. Marigolds exist in our schools as well—encouraging, supporting and nurturing growing teachers on their way to maturity. If you can find at least one marigold in your school and stay close to them, you will grow. Find more than one and you will positively thrive. If our teachers our thriving, then our students are thriving and that is the reason our teacher do what they do!

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, September 18

• Make-up Gold Day

Thursday, September 19

SAC Meeting 8AM

Friday, September 20

- Teacher In-service Day (Student Holiday)
- Military Appreciation Football
- 4PM JROTC Flag Football Game Before the SAHS v. Nease 7PM

Wednesday, September 25

 Hispanic Heritage Celebration (Media Center)

Friday, October 11

• End of the 1st Quarter

See the weekly Athletic Calendar Below

National Merit Semifinalist

With this notion, I am beyond excited to aanounce that Allen D. Nease High School had 14 students qualify as semifinalist in the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program. Congratulations to the following seniors Tu Bui, Ethan Diachun, Sophia Drake, Kaitlyn Glidewell, Hershel Kamat, Pranay Kolukuluri, Braden Leonard, David Lovett(not pictured), Sheza Mehruf, MacKenzie Moy, Jolie Nguyen, Jessica Pandey, Vasanth Parthasarathy, and Likith Tipineni. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to compete for National Merit Scholarships. We are very proud of our Panthers and wish them great success!



Finally, please mark you calendar for a very important referendum community meeting on October 7th at 6PM at Nease High School. See the flyer in the PTSO section of this Panther Press.

Enjoy the rest of the weekend! Gina Fonseca Principal

ACADEMY INFORMATION

National Technical Honor Society Information for Academy Students

ATTENTION ACADEMY JUNIORS & SENIORS!

The National Technical Honor Society will host an informational meeting on Wednesday, September 18th, at 9am in Panther Hall 138. NTHS is open to any Nease Academy Juniors and Seniors with an overall, unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher and a GPA of 3.5 or higher in your Academy classes. All students must have a signed club permission form to attend. In addition, all students who were in it last year, must reapply again this year, so please plan to attend. See Mrs. Amato (in PH 138) or Mrs. Soto (in PH 233) if you have any questions.

Academy Field Trip Season is Coming!

Seeing what we are learning in our Academy classes reflected in the real-world and post-secondary education is a big part of the Academy experience. Students will soon start hearing about upcoming field trips via their Academy teachers. Field trips are always first-come, first-served, with the completion and submission of the field trip forms. On field trip days, students meet at the bus loop at 9:20 when the bell rings. Generally, we are back on campus in time for students to have lunch during C lunch. However, if a field trip is slated to arrive back on campus after the last lunch period, students will be directed via their field trip permission form to pack a lunch on that date, so that they can eat upon returning to school, from 12:30-1PM.

Here are the field trips we are currently planning for. Please keep in mind that field trips are often designated for certain courses or grade levels in each Academy program to align with curriculum, and are not always open to every student:

Academy of Hospitality & Tourism:

Savannah Bananas Trip 9/14/24 | Old Town Trolley Tour Experience 10/1/24 | Disney Storytelling & Customer Experience Tour 10/30/24

Communications Academy:

Sally Corp Dark Ride Design (Digital Design) 10/8/24 | Full Sail TechFest On-Campus Field Trip (Digital Design & TV Production) 10/9/24 | UNF College of Communications Campus Tour (TV Production) 10/17/24 | Florida Scholastic Press Association District 2 Regional Seminar @ UF (TV Production) 10/25/24 | Disney Storytelling & Customer Experience Tour (Digital Design) 10/30/24

Stellar Academy of Engineering:

Northrop Grumman Manufacturing Day 10/7/24 | UNF College of Engineering Campus Tour 10/22/24 | Sally Corp Dark Ride Engineering Design 11/5/24

ACADEMY INFORMATION

Stellar Academy of Engineering Juniors: Northrop Grumman HIP Internship Applications Are Available

Juniors in the Stellar Academy of Engineering, you are eligible to apply for consideration to take part in the two-year HIP internship mentoring program with Northrop Grumman. The Junior year program consists of a monthly online session, Wednesday nights from 7:30 – 8:30 pm. Students must be available for these online sessions during the first year of the internship. The sessions run November – May. Applications are available to students via their engineering teacher. You can also **CLICK HERE>>** to access the application on-line.

Applications must be submitted by September 18th. In addition to the completed application, students must turn in a letter of recommendation, and can also submit an optional resume and/or a personal statement about why they should be selected for this opportunity. This is a highly competitive process, only 5 students will be selected from Nease this year.

Printed copies of the application and optional supporting documentation can be turned in at the front desk and requested to be put in Mrs. Combs' mailbox, given to Mr. Beale in PH220,or emailed to

Mrs. Combs at jaime.combs@stjohns.k12.fl.us. Please check for a reply email from Mrs. Combs to confirm receipt of those materials if you choose to email them.

If students or parents have any questions related to the Academy programs at Nease, students can find me in C-Pod, office C-101, or you can email me at jaime.combs@stjohns.k12.fl.us.



NEASE IB PROGRAM

IB Program Information

Ms. Kennedy and Mr. Hoffman have visited all IB grade levels! Please ask your student so you can review the information covered. Topics include IB program information, Bright Futures Scholarship, Xello, testing information, Schoology, and communication. Gold envelopes for Seniors were distributed this week.

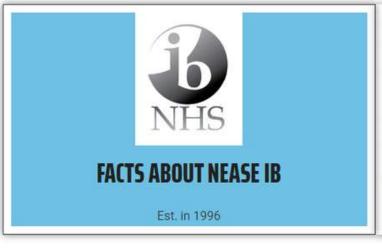
Our first IB student social will be on Thursday, September 26th. More information to come. Parents - be on the lookout for an email and FB post next week with a sign-up genius requesting volunteers and supplies for the event.

IB Booster Information

Our second IB Booster meeting of the year will be held Tuesday, **September 24th** at 9:45AM in the Media Center Conference Room 146. Join us! Please make sure you are a registered volunteer to attend.

Current Freshman and Sophomore Parents/Guardians - You are invited! The IB Boosters would love to bring you together to mingle in an informal setting and meet each other and the IB Boosters board/veteran IB parents. It will be an opportunity to create a network of individuals progressing through the IB program together and to understand a little more about what the IB Boosters does to help your students and staff. This a parent-only event on Tuesday, October 1st from 5:30-7:00PM in the Nease Media Center. Please RSVP by September 27th at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1xNzLXPRD41-JTGt3KUXpEr4R0XhVl2T-a8ljR-PMoE3vGQ/viewform?usp=sf-link. We hope you can come!

Thank you to all who have joined the **IB Booster Club**! If you haven't joined, there is still time. You can go to our website, https://neaseibboosters.org/join-the-booster. For our senior families, your membership comes with a senior stole your student will wear at graduation this May.



- First graduating class was in 1998.
- Admission is competitive, drawing from the entire county.
- 90 students graduated in 2023, making a total of 1,744 Nease IB graduates in 26 years.
- Currently, 398 students are enrolled in the program: 86 Seniors, 83 Juniors, 102 Sophomores, & 125 Freshman.
- ✓ All 169 Seniors and Juniors are full diploma candidates
- 50% of parents & 57% of grandparents are originally from foreign countries.



SGA Leadership

- · President Addison Shockey
- · Vice President Pranay Devanand
- · Treasurer Teniyah Blutcher
- · Secretary Giselle Scigliano

Senior Class

- · Co-Presidents Chloe Migut and Issie Mosley
- Vice President Sofia Durante
- Treasurer Sydney Taylor
- · Representatives · Bella Kimball, Shannon Fischer, Jaden Price, Alisha Mian, Vishnu Gupta, Braden Leonard, Marilyn Pablo, Roshan Chak, August Bray

Junior Class

- · President Sophia Hayes
- · Vice President Lauren Higgins
- Representatives Nidhi Reddyreddy, Manogna Chandra, Rishi Chandra, Mayukha Das, Nihal Kondabrolu, Charlotte Rennie, Ashley Atilus, Carrie Wachala, Aarush Vurady, Lillian Weiss, Grace Chaves

Sophomore Class

- · President Lena Asadi
- Vice President Mitchell Davis
- Representatives-Faith Sanders Daniel Zacaharia, Mahitasai Velagapudi. Zoe Bergen, Addie Downie

Freshmen Class

- President Ethan Chen
- Co-Vice Presidents Bhavesh Senthil Kumar, Karina Abdel-Malek
- Representatives-Georgia Stanley, Jay Tankala

5GA Sponsor - Amy Cose Senior Class Spansors - Kosey Mietzner and Sam Morrison Junior Class Sponsor - Amy Case Saphamore Class Spansor - Amy Case

SGA is responsible for organizing student life events like Homecoming and Prom. They also coordinate community sutreach like Track-or-Treat. This year SGA will also maintain an organized record of clubs and host an inter-club council to help all student voices be heard and increase callaboration between groups on compus!



















National Merit Semifinalist calling Dad & Mom



NHS Swim Team Preparing for their meet!





FRIDAY PEP RALLY

















FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS - NEASE V. FLETCHER FOOTBALL GAME





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If you paid your senior dues by August 23rd, you will be eligible to purchase a Grad Bash ticket on October 16th. Tickets are \$230 and will be sold on a first come, first service basis. There are only 300 tickets available and they will sell out!

National Honor Society

Congratulations to our juniors and seniors who were accepted into the Nease chapter of the National Honor Society! Reminder that there is a mandatory rehearsal meeting for new members on September 18th at 8:15am, and the formal induction ceremony will be on Tuesday, September 24th at 6pm. Students may invite 2 guests to the ceremony.

Brotherhood

Join Brotherhood every Tuesday morning @ 8:45 in B102. Please ensure you have a parent permission form on file. Scan QR code outside of B102.

Sisterhood

Join Sisterhood every Wednesday morning @ 8:45 in B102. Please ensure you have a parent permission form on file. Scan QR code outside of B102.

National English Honor Society

Next meeting is October 9th Excel B in B102. Check your email this weekend for more information.

STEM FAIR

Nease will be hosting a schoolwide science fair this year, winners may qualify for competition at the district or state level. Please find the paperwork at the following link and address all questions to Mr. Smith. Hard deadlines for paperwork will be in early December but should be completed in advance of the school competition in November.

Link: https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/stem-fair/secondary/

Room: H-105

Email: andrew.smith@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Student

RHO KAPPA

NATIONAL HISTORY HONOR SOCIETY











WHAT WE DO:

Monthly meetings to discuss different parts of history. In-depth conversations and analyses of historical eras.

WHO CAN JOIN:

- Completed Honors or AP Level Social Studies course
- Overall GPA of 3.0+
- No referrals
- Ability to attend meetings
- In-depth interest of historical topics.

HOW TO JOIN:

Stop by Ms. Fertig's room (P53) to pick up an application and parent permission slip!

Class of 2025 TShirt Design Confest

Your design could be on the Class of 2025 t-shirt!

How does it work?

This contest is open to any member of the Nease High School Class of 2025 who has paid his or her senior dues and joined the seniors only Schoology group. Once the entry period ends, Nease administration and senior sponsors will select a group of entries as finalists. The senior class will then vote on their favorite design from the list of finalists via the seniors only Schoology group. The design with the most votes will then be printed on the senior shirts.

How can I enter?

It's easy! Simply upload your design using the submission form below by September 13 We can only accept JPG. PNG, or PDF files.

Design Criteria

- I. Design is school and dress code appropriate
- 2. Design is for the front of the shirt only
- 3. Design is a maximum of 4 colors
- Design does not exceed IZ x IZ
- 5. Nease, Class of 2025, and Senior are incorporated
- 6. Use of Nease logo is allowed but not required







Judgement Criteria



Meets requirements



Creative and original



Overall impression of design

Media Center News Carolyn Milian – School Librarian Media Specialist Lorna Patterson – Media Clerk Media Center phone number – 904-547-8367

ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES OF HISPANIC HERITAGE!! PLEASE READ!

PARENTS if you are able to donate a food item or come help us with our celebration, please reach out to me as soon as possible. We are less than 2 weeks away from our celebration. Please REMEMBER- you MUST be an approved volunteer to be at our event. You can accomplish this quickly by completing the district online form: https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply



We are hoping to have a fabulous showcase of hispanic foods, music, dress, flags, decorations, arts & crafts stations. AND we will have **DYNAMIC Zumba i**nstructor – Awilda Quezada – doing mini-Zumba sessions with our students! If you are able to help us out in some way, PLEASE email me as soon as possible so that I can count on you!! Thank you so much!!

CREATIVE WRITING AND POETRY CLUB!

FIRST meeting on Tuesday, **Sept. 24th** after school in the media center! You MUST pick up a permission slip from Mrs. Milian before attending the meeting. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!!



NEASE PTSO NEWS



The Nease High School Community Millage Referendum meeting will be held on Monday, October 7th, at 6 PM in the PAC. The meeting is open to the public. Learn why the two issues on the November ballot are crucial for the future of St. Johns County schools. Take advantage of this opportunity to get informed. Click here for more info: https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/vote/



LIMITED SPOTS LEFT! These one-day boot camps are being offered to help students reach their best SAT/PSAT scores for college applications and bright future qualifications. For more information and to register, https://neaseptso.givebacks.com/store?limit=21&live=true. This is a fundraiser for Nease High School PTSO, and we cannot offer refunds to plan for the day properly.

NEASE PTSO NEWS



Platinum Panther Partner Spotlight

Attorney Shield is a mobile app that equips students and parents with immediate access to legal support during unexpected encounters with police via recorded video sessions. For less than \$9 per month, an Attorney Shield membership is perfect for navigating these complex situations. Our attorneys are staffed 24/7 to help our members achieve the best possible outcome when stopped by police. https://attorney-shield.com/

Gold Panther Partner Spotlight

Twenty years of experience treating pain with acupuncture, especially sports injuries and migraines. Other treatments available are cupping, laser, and shockwave. Allamericanacupuncture@gmail.com | 904-916-1714

School Advisory Committee

Mark your calendars for this month's School Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting: September 19th at 8:00 a.m. in PH 118. We are currently accepting new members, and the public is always welcome to attend.

SENIOR PORTRAITS & YEARBOOKS

RESERVE YOUR YEARBOOK!

Last year we <u>sold out</u> of yearbooks, so make sure you get one early, and at the best price! Go to <u>yearbookordercenter.com</u> and search for Allen D. Nease High School. Prices will go up Nov. 1, so don't miss out!

SCHOOL PICTURE INFO!

If you wish to purchase your child's school photos but didn't pre-order, go to <u>www.leonards.com</u> or call (904) 209-3300. If your child missed getting a photo taken, retakes are scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 23.

SENIOR ADS - SPACE IS LIMITED!

A limited number of Senior Yearbook ads are now available. Recognize your special graduate-to-be with an ad in the yearbook. You can design your ad as you like, and include photos and a personal message. Various sizes are available, but the deadline is November 1, and there is limited space. Go to <u>yearbookordercenter.com</u> and enter code **15476**.

LAST CHANCE SENIOR PORTRAITS

If you have not had a senior portrait taken and you want to be in the yearbook, your last chance is Wednesday, Sept. 18. Click on this link to schedule your sitting.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0445A4AA29AAFD0-51275379-nease. There is no charge.

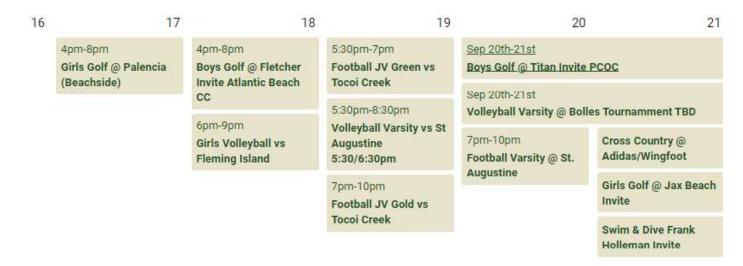
GUIDANCE/SCHOOL COUNSELING INFORMATION

If any students/parents are looking for written directions on how to apply to college via XELLO, attached are the 3 handouts that can help.

- **CLICK HERE>>** for College Application Document Request Procedures
- **CLICK HERE>>** for College Application Steps through XELLO
- **CLICK HERE>** for Gold Envelope Log Sheet for College Applications



NEASE ATHLETIC EVENTS THIS WEEK



Weather Cancelation / Ticketing Information

When a competition is cancelled due to weather at the games start time by the officials, such as the football game vs Ridge Community last week, it can take up to 7-10 business days for a refund. We appreciate your understanding and patience.

Panther Student Pass Now Available on the GoFan app

\$75 Passes are good all school year 2024 – 2025 for all sports except Boys Basketball and Varsity Football Games. Use this QR code to check it out!



Girls Weightlifting

Important Dates:

September 25th: Parent Information Night @ 6pm in the Media Center October 7th: First Practice @ 7am in the Weight Room.

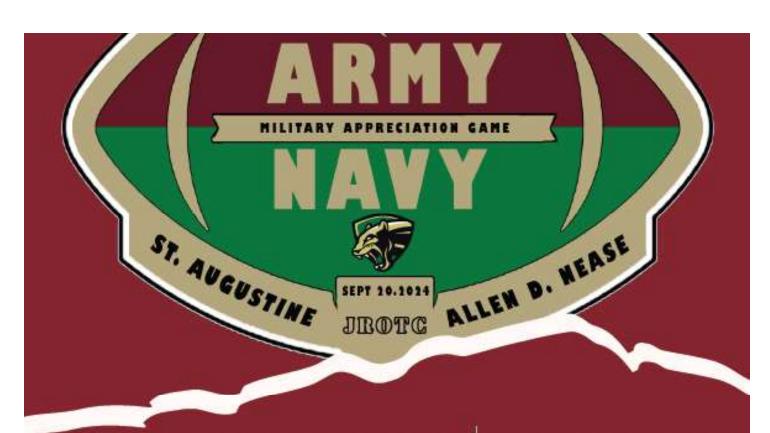
Athletic Clearance must be completed and approved prior to October 7th Questions? Contact Coach Schoeneman.

Sean.schoeneman@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Sign-up Form QR Code



<u>CLICK HERE>></u> for updated information from the Nease Athletics department.



MILITARY APPRECIATION FOOTBALL GAME

Come enjoy military displays, meet local veteran prganizations, and visit with local vendors before the game

SAHS VS NEASE

Friday, September 20, 2024 SAHS HL Brumley Stadium

4:00PM JROTC Flag Football Game 7:00PM Varsity Game Kick-off

Gates open at 3PM | \$10 Admission Free Admission for Veterans & Active Duty Military members with Military ID



WED. SEPT., 18
AT 8:30AM
NEASE WRESTLING ROOM

Anyone boy or girl interested in wrestling this year is encouraged to attend.

Come and find out more information about wrestling here at Nease!

Can't make it, email: NeaseHSWrestling@gmail.com



BAILEN BASKETBALL SKILL WORK SATURDAYS

9-10:30AM
@ Nease High School
Co-Ed/3rd-8th graders welcome

\$40/session or \$260/all 7 sessions



Dates:

Session 1:9/14

Session 2: 9/21

Session 3: 9/28

Session 4: 10/5

Session 5: 10/12

Session 6: 10/19

Session 7: 10/26

Register now:

www.Joshbailenbasketball.com or Venmo @Josh-BailenBasketball (Names/Dates attending)



FALL MULCH DRIVE



FREE DELIVERY

with purchase of 5 BAGS or MORE to Local Neighborhoods: Nocatee • Palencia • World Golf Village • Durbin • Julington Creek Beachwalk • AND Surrounding Areas

NOT ABLE TO SPREAD MULCH - DROP IN DRIVEWAY ONLY

Less than 5 bags of mulch must be picked up at the Nease Bus Loop on Oct 12 in the morning.

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ALLEN D. NEASE HIGH SCHOOL

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING

Free tutoring provided by the National Honor Society on Wednesdays from 3-4pm in the library

Semester 1 Dates:

September 4

September 11

September 18

September 25

October 2

October 9

October 16

October 23

October 30

November 6

November 13

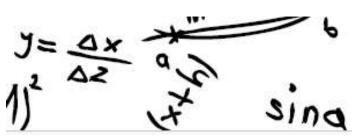
November 20

December 4

December 11

REGISTER





SELF-AWARENESS & SELF-MANAGEMENT

9-12

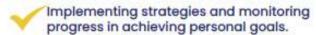
Parent Resource

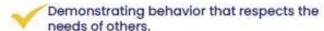
What is self-awareness and self-management?

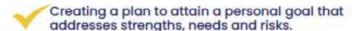
Self-awareness and self-management means to understand and govern our thoughts, actions and impact on others.

As your child gets older, he or she will continue to develop self-awareness and self-management skills by recognizing how one's thoughts and ideas influence choices and impact others.

In grades nine through twelve, children begin:







Below are ways you can help your child learn, practice and demonstrate self-awareness and self-management skills:

DISCUSS AN EXAMPLE



Discuss a time when you disagreed with someone and how you adjusted your behavior to understand the other person's point of view. For example, when you had a disagreement with a friend or coworker and he or she was not able to see your perspective. How did you approach the situation?

WORK TO DEVELOP GOALS



Work with your child to develop short and long-term personal goals. The goals should be measurable and achievable. Later, have them reflect on the process, his or her progress and how self-awareness and self-management helped them reach these goals.

BY GAINING SELF-AWAPENESS AND LEAPNING SELF-MANAGEMENT, YOUR CHILD WILL TAKE AN ACTIVE POLE IN MONITORING AND ADAPTING HIS OR HER BEHAVIOR.

SKILLS TO CONSIDER PRACTICING WITH YOUR CHILD:



Formulating an effective long-term plan to achieve a personal or future professional goal.



Evaluating strategies that assist with managing challenges or setbacks.



DINNER TABLE CONVERSATION STARTER

Discuss the importance of self-awareness and self-management in pursuing academic and employment goals after high school. How do these skills impact future opportunities?





Parent Workshop





Schoology, Microsoft, and so much more!



Microsoft 365

YouTube: bit.ly/3QojcF8



This session will help you and your child succeed in the 2024-25 school year.

Topics Covered:

Clever Access point for online resources, textbooks. software

Schoology (Learning Management System) Review student work Communicate with teachers Receive school announcements

Microsoft 365 Microsoft Word PowerPoint | Excel OneDrive Cloud Storage

Live Streamed on YouTube

Wednesday, Sept. 25th

5:30 pm

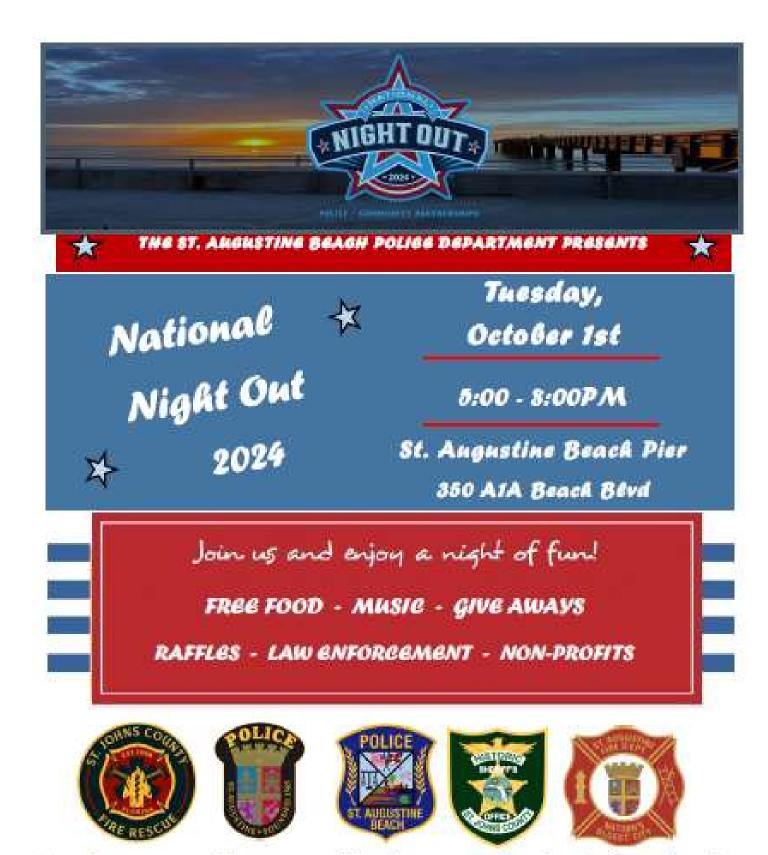
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904-471-3600 OR EMAIL RECORDS@SABPD.ORG



ORE YOU IN NEED OF VOLUNTEER HOURS?"



Bring a friend and join us in unloading pumpkin trucks at:

Mandarin United Methodist Church Pumpkin Patch

11270 San Jose Boulevard South

No special skills required!

You must wear closed-toe shoes and

clothes that can get dirty!

Volunteers will earn an average of 2–3 hours per truck.

Volunteer forms will be signed at the end of each truck unloading.

Opportunity Dates

Saturday, September 21st, 2024 - 8:00 am Saturday, September 28th, 2024 - 8:00 am Saturday, October 12th, 2024 - 8:00 am Saturday, October 19th, 2024 - 8:00 am Wednesday, October 23rd, 2024 - 4 p.m.

> Sign up at this link https://signup.com/go/PMLsKkK

For more information, please contact

Paula Coker Jones 904-837-3385 pcokerjones@mumc.net





We look forward to seeing you in the Pumpkins!!

FORTIFY FLORIDA

FORTIFYFL IS A WEBSITE AND APP DEVELOPED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE. ANY STUDENT, EDUCATOR, PARENT OR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC CAN REPORT SCHOOL SAFETY CONCERNS DIRECTLY TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS ANONYMOUSLY AND EASILY THROUGH THE FORTIFYFL APP OR AT https://getfortifyfl.com/._

