

## Principal's Message



Dear Eagle Families,

Spring is in full swing, and we have some exciting events coming up! Starting Monday, students will begin FAST Writes testing, so please ensure they get plenty of rest and arrive on time. We're also excited for our Spring Fling, a special event just for students to enjoy some fun and festivities during the school day. And don't forget—next week is the debut of our school musical, *Annie Jr.*! Our talented students have been working hard, and it's sure to be a fantastic show. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to a great week ahead!

Go Eagles!

DID YOU KNOW?

**Single School Culture** is the idea that everyone in a school—students, teachers, and staff—follows the same rules, expectations, and values. It means that no matter which classroom you're in or which teacher you have, the school environment feels consistent.

For example, if the school values respect, then every teacher enforces respectful behavior the same way. If there's a rule about no phones in class, it's enforced the same across all subjects. This helps create a predictable and fair environment, making it easier for students to know what's expected of them.

The goal is to build a strong, positive school community where everyone is on the same page, making learning and behavior management smoother. You can find our Single School Culture Document on our website! [www-sms.stjohns.k12.fl.us](http://www-sms.stjohns.k12.fl.us)

SPRING FLING

Spring is in the air, and that means it's almost time for our much-loved **Spring Fling!** 🎉🌟 On **April 17**, students will enjoy fun, games, and excitement during school hours, all in support of our **PTO fundraiser**. To ensure a safe and positive experience for everyone, students must have **no discipline referrals or consequences** from **April 4 through the day of the event** to attend. Please note that **tickets are non-refundable**. We can't wait to celebrate with our Eagles and make this a memorable day for all! **Ticket information is [here](#) .** **TICKETS ON SALE AT LUNCH 4/9 AND 4/10!!**

**TESTING – NEXT WEEK!** View up to date information on testing dates at <https://www-sms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/testing/> if you have any questions please email [Eric.Smith@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Eric.Smith@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

## **FAST WRITING APRIL 7 FOR 7TH AND 8TH GRADE, APRIL 8TH FOR 6TH GRADE!**

### **REGISTRATION**

For families with students who missed course registration for next year, no worries! Our guidance team will be reaching out throughout the week to ensure every student is set. If you have any questions, please contact your guidance counselor:

📌 Danisha Brown – Current 6th grade & 7th grade (last names A–L)

✉ [Danisha.Brown@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Danisha.Brown@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

📌 Leanne Fortune – Current 7th grade (last names M–Z) & 8th grade

✉ [Leanne.Fortune@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Leanne.Fortune@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

Get your ANNIE JR! Tickets here!

Schoolpay link: <https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Spring-Musical--Annie-Jr/SdMXa6m>



### **EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAYS ARE BACK!**

Early release Wednesdays are back! Students will be released at 12:50pm.

### **CLUBS**

Clubs are up and running but it is not too late to join! Get a permission slip from the sponsor of the club you wish to join. Check out our website to see a list of clubs. Clubs run Tuesdays and/or Thursdays from 2:00 – 3:00pm. There will not be any clubs on or April 17<sup>th</sup>. Last day for clubs is May 1<sup>st</sup>!

### **PTO CORNER**

## **PTO Volunteer Opportunities:**

Wristbands for the Spring Fling on April 17th will go on sale on Tuesday April 1st during lunches. There is a limited supply of VIP wristbands which are priced at \$25 each. VIP will give the students the ability to have early access (30 minutes) to Spring Fling, plus 3 drinks, pizza, cookies, cotton candy or other treats, and unlimited access to games, including the Game Truck! Regular wristbands for the event are \$10 and can also be purchased on Tuesday, this will allow regular access to Spring Fling at 12:30, plus access to games and 2 drinks, pizza, cookies, cotton candy or other treats. The form is included in this email and available at the front office at any time. VIP tickets will be on sale until sold out, regular wristbands will be on sale until 4/15.

April 17th - Spring Fling - Sign up to Volunteer

- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0548ABA72BA2F49-55292186-smsspring>

April 29th - May 2nd - Teacher Appreciation Week - MORE to come!!!!

May 9th - 8th Grade Dance - Tickets will be \$10 and will go on sale by mid-April.

Membership: We are thrilled to emphasize that there are absolutely no fees to be involved in the PTO. Every family is automatically a member, and we welcome your active participation in shaping our school community.

Birthday Shout Outs: Celebrate your child's special day by sending a birthday shout out to be displayed on our electronic sign in front of the school! Please submit all birthday sign orders by the Wednesday prior to the requested week via this link:

· <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/sebastian-middle-school-ptο-store/items?cart>

Funding Initiatives: We raise funds through a variety of avenues, including contributions from our fantastic Business Partners. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Business Partner, please reach out to us. Additionally, we collect donations for specific events or school needs, host engaging events, sell spirit wear, and manage concessions at home sports events. [ptosebastian@gmail.com](mailto:ptosebastian@gmail.com)

Online Store: Explore our online store where you can purchase spirited spirit wear, make donations, or even sign up as a Business Partner.

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Volunteer Opportunities and Ideas: We warmly welcome volunteers and innovative ideas. Our team thrives on collective effort, where everyone's contribution adds up to create something truly impactful. [ptosebastian@gmail.com](mailto:ptosebastian@gmail.com)

Inclusivity: Our PTO is open to everyone, and we encourage you to join us regardless of your work schedule. We pride ourselves on being a "NO DRAMA" PTO, fostering a welcoming and supportive environment for all.

Get in touch with us: Email: [PTOSebastian@gmail.com](mailto:PTOSebastian@gmail.com)

Facebook: Sebastian Middle School PTO

Instagram: @SMSPTO

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