

October Newsletter 2025



COUNSELOR CONNECTION



Counselors in October

9th & 10th grade counselors are presenting a lesson to all 10th grade students that will review graduation and academic requirements, extra-curricular & community service opportunities, available tutoring, and so much more.

11th and 12th grade counselors are continuing to meet with each Senior individually to complete their senior credit check to insure they are on track for graduation in May. We suggest parents review this credit check with your student when they bring it home.

Once credit checks are completed, the 11th and 12th grade counselors will be going back to the Senior English classes to present a lesson on Financial Aid for education after high school. This lesson will focus on the various types of financial aid available and applying for the Bright Futures Scholarship.

Counselor Assignments



9th - 10th Grades:

A - K Ms. Graham
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L - Z Ms. Boyce
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11th - 12th Grades:

A - K Ms. Moseley
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L - Z Ms. Jordan
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Need a Transcript?



<https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/9276/institution>

Senior Credit Check Schedule

(through senior English courses)

Weaver - 9/25 & 9/26

Rigon - 9/25 & 9/26

Radaker - 9/29 & 9/30

Coleman - 10/3 & 10/6

*Seniors without an English course at BTHS (DE, FLVS, etc.), will sign up using a "Sign Up Genius" link posted on Schoology for a 10 minute slot on one of the follow dates:

10/14

10/15

10/16

10/21

Counselors in the

Courtyard

October 15th

Topic: Bullying

Students are encouraged to stop by the Counselors in the Courtyard tent to discuss the many ways students can help prevent bullying.

October 1st

Bright Futures Application
Opens
&
FAFSA Opens

COLLEGE VISITS

(located in the courtyard during all lunches)

10/1/25 - University of Florida

10/1/25 - Florida Southern College

10/8/25 - University of North Florida

Fall Virtual

Presentations

September 25th

4pm

The fall virtual presentations will be a series of power point presentations posted to the School Counseling page of the BTHS website. Each presentation will highlight important information for students and families grades 9th - 12th.

BTHS School Counselors keep an open door policy during 4th period for the convenience of all students. Be sure to stop by if you have something quick you need to discuss with your counselor.

JOIN OUR SCHOOL COUNSELING
SCHOOLGY GROUP

CODE: VXTV-WZ8T-KXHHV

STAY INFORMED!

- School Counseling Webpage
- Monthly Newsletter
- Schoology Posts (students)
- School Messenger/Parent Square

xello FOR SENIORS

St. Johns County School District has partnered with Xello for students to track college applications, request letters of recommendations, request transcripts for college applications and so much more.

Xello works in conjunction with Common App.

Before students begin working in Xello, they should complete the following tasks:

1. Create a Common App account
2. Link their current high school
3. Add a school to the My Colleges list
4. Fill out the preferred start term
5. Sign FERPA Authorization Release

Scan QR Code for a walk through demo of Xello and Common App integration



Senior Financial Aid Lessons

(through Senior English courses)

Discussing four ways students can receive financial aid and helping students complete their Florida Financial Aid Application (includes Bright Futures).

Weaver - 10/17

Rigon - 10/17

Radaker - 10/20

Coleman - 10/23

*Seniors without an English course at BTHS (DE, FLVS, etc.), will sign up using a "Sign Up Genius" link posted on Schoology for a make up presentation during a modified or elective period.

Make up presentation will be on
10/28

TUTORING OPTIONS



National Honor Society Peer Tutoring

1st & 3rd MONDAY's after school in the media center.

Algebra 1 Tutoring

M, W, F during all lunches (bring your lunch)
Room N135

Dual Enrollment

St. Johns River State College

Spring 2026 Registration

Packets Available in Guidance -	10/1
SJR State will begin processing -	10/14
BTHS Recommended Deadline -	11/5
SJR State FINAL deadline -	11/30

Click [HERE](#) for more information

FAFSA FRENZY

Join us to learn more about the FAFSA!

Tuesday, October 7
Palatka Campus
Viking Center
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 14
Orange Park Campus
Viking Center
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 21
St. Augustine Campus
H Building
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Last session begins at 6:30 p.m.

SJRstate.edu

Don't let finances be a barrier!

Each year, millions of financial aid dollars go unclaimed. This event provides qualified students with assistance in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which is the first and most important step in applying for financial aid. Potential students who intend to enroll in college during the 2026-2027 academic year can increase their chances of receiving financial aid by applying early and meeting deadlines.

Attend our October information sessions and learn how to complete the FAFSA. And, learn more about SJR State Foundation scholarships!



The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be available at StudentAid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa.

For details, scan the QR code or visit SJRstate.edu/fafsafrenzy.



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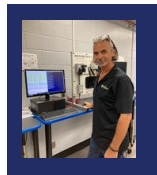


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FCTC Showcase

Celebrating 60 Years Serving St. Johns County



SAVE THE DATE
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 6th 2025

FCTC.edu

PSAT October 22, 2025

***Virtual learning day for students
not participating in PSAT***

The deadline to request an early release
pass is Friday, October 17. Please adhere to
this deadline.

Click [HERE](#) to fill out form

Contact Ms. Porter
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**1st Quarter
Ends**

October 10th



Students interested in the vocational
programs offered at FCTC need to speak
with their school counselor about
attending the showcase.

In September the school
counselors attended the
State University System
Conference to hear from
all 12 public universities in
the SUS and received
updated information
regarding the admissions
process, including testing,
regulations, policies, and
student resources.

Click [HERE](#) to view each
schools Fact Book

FLORIDA

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IN THE NATION FOR
HIGHER EDUCATION
FOR THE 9TH
CONSECUTIVE YEAR
U.S. News & World Report



testing information



SAT & ACT TEST DATES

SAT (all tests are digital)

Test Date	Registration Deadline
October 4	September 19
November 8	October 24
December 6	November 21
March 14	February 27
May 2	April 17
June 6	May 22

ACT (tests at BTHS are PAPER BASED)

Test Date	Registration Deadline
October 18	September 12
December 13	November 7
February 14	January 9
April 11 <small>*not offered at BTHS*</small>	March 6
June 13 <small>*not offered at BTHS*</small>	May 8
July 11	June 5

Register at www.collegeboard.org
BTHS School Code = 100809
BTHS Test Center Code = 10614

Register at www.act.org
BTHS School Code = 100809
BTHS Test Center Code = 207930