



355 Landrum Lane, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082 Palms Post Issue 2 - August 2025

Dear Ocean Palms Families,

The excitement is building as we prepare to welcome our otter raft back to campus! Tomorrow is our Meet the Teacher event, and we can't wait to see you between 8:00–11:00 AM. The doors will open promptly at 8:00AM. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and families to explore the classroom, drop off supplies, and meet the teachers and staff who will guide and inspire them throughout the school year.

Kindergarten families will also sign up for their child's staggered start date during the event. This special start is unique to kindergarten and helps our otters ease into their new environment. If you plan to walk your child to class on their staggered start day, we ask that you arrive between 8:30–9:00 AM.

To ensure a smooth and secure check-in, all parents walking their child to class must be an approved volunteer. Please complete your application in Raptor today and bring a photo ID with you when you check in at the front office. We would truly hate to turn anyone away, especially on the first day of school.

Before or after visiting your child's classroom, be sure to stop by the cafeteria, where we've created a one-stop shop for all your back-to-school needs! You'll find our Mini Book Fair, meet our business partners and vendors, and learn about opportunities to connect with our school community. It's a great chance to get connected and take care of a few important to-dos in one convenient location.

We also encourage everyone to review our Student-Parent Handbook, which contains important information about school policies and procedures. Be sure to read the Palms Post in its entirety so you don't miss enrichment opportunities, news, and helpful updates.

As we set sail into this new school year, we are filled with joy at the thought of seeing familiar faces and making new friends. Each day is a new opportunity to grow, take on challenges with a positive mindset, and build meaningful connections in our close-knit community. Let's make this a year of kindness, curiosity, and celebration because every day, everyone, and everything truly matters!

A heartfelt thank you to our incredible PTO and generous sponsors for helping us kick off the year with such strong support. We can't wait to see you tomorrow!

With otterly excitement,
Mrs. Tiffany Cantwell
Principal

SCHOOL SPIRIT

**WEAR YOUR OPE GEAR
EVERY FRIDAY!**

August

- 8 – Meet the Teacher/Mini Book Fair (8:00-11:00)
- 11 – First day of school for PreK & Grades (1-5)
- 11 – 14 Staggered Start for Kindergarten Students
- 15 – All Kindergarten students report to school
- 18 – Tea and Tissues for Kindergarten and New Families to OPE and PTO Meeting (9:00-10:30)
- 18 - 22 FAST Testing for Progress Monitoring 1
- 28 – Classroom Volunteer Meeting (9:00-10:00)
And CAAP Art Volunteers Meeting (10:00-11:00)

September

- 1 – Labor Day - No School
- 8 - PTO Meeting (9:00-10:00)
- 10 – Interims: Posted on HAC
- 18 – Fifth Grade Classroom Spelling Bee
- 18 – Fall Family Night with book fair and open house with teachers (5:00-7:00)
- 19 – Teacher In-service Day - No School
- 22 – 26 Fall Book Fair – Class schedules TBA
- 24 – (K,1, 3) Health Screenings (8:45-12:00)
- 25 - SAC Meeting (3:15-4:15)



Meet the Teacher – Friday, August 8 (8:00–11:00 a.m.)

We're so excited to welcome all our otters new and returning for a new school year! During this event:

- Kindergarten parents will sign up for their child's staggered start day.
- Students can drop off school supplies (online orders will be waiting in classrooms).
- Families can explore the mini-book fair in the cafeteria.
- Our amazing PTO will be there with spirit wear, volunteer sign-ups, and a photo area to capture your back-to-school memories.
- Don't forget: every Friday is OPE Spirit Day! Staff and students wear OPE gear to show their otter pride!

Campus Safety – Raptor System & Visitor Access

Our students' and staff's safety is our top priority. All visitors entering the building beyond the front office during school hours must be approved through the St. Johns County School District's Volunteer Application system, supported by Raptor Visitor Management. Even if you're planning to walk your child to class on the first day of school, you must be approved in advance. **Apply now at:** www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer

This includes:

- Attending class events or performances,
- Eating lunch with your child
- Volunteering in the classroom
- Chaperoning field trips



Bus Information – BusPlanner & Chipmunk App

Starting this year, all bus transportation information will be accessed through BusPlanner and its mobile companion, the Chipmunk app. HAC no longer provides bus route details.

Use BusPlanner to: View your child's assigned bus stop, route, and pick-up/drop-off times. Receive alerts for route changes or delays and confirm transportation updates or special requests

Bus routes will be available starting July 30, 2025.

Visit: <https://sjcsd.mybusplanner.com/> or download Chipmunk in your app store.

Need help? Contact Routing Specialist Tiffany Bravo at (904) 547-8076.

October

2 - Individual Student Pictures

3 – Fifth Grade School Spelling Bee (9:00-10:30)

6 - PTO Meeting (9:00-10:00)

10 – First Quarter Ends

10 – Otter Run Pep Rally for students

13 – Teacher Planning Day - No School

21 – (K-5) Otter Run Day – Schedule TBA

22 – Report Cards posted on HAC

23 - SAC Meeting (3:15-4:15)

23 & 24 – Rain Dates for Otter Run

27 – 31 Canned Food Drive

27 – 31 Red Ribbon Week

November

TBD – Art to Remember orders due

3 – 5 Treats for Troops Candy Donation/Drive

3 – 28 Holiday Toy Drive for OPE Otters through Amazon

7 – Veteran's Day Flag Placement

10 - PTO Meeting (9:00-10:00)

10 – Rain Date: Veteran's Day Flag Placement

11 – Veterans Day - No School

13 – Interims: Posted on HAC

13 - Picture Retake Day

14 – Sumo Wrestling Show for students

20 - SAC Meeting (3:15-4:15)

24 – 28 Thanksgiving Break - No School

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District Volunteer Application

We appreciate your interest in volunteering for the District Volunteer Program. Our district offers a variety of activities you may choose from when volunteering your time. Simply complete and submit a volunteer application and upon approval you will receive instructions on next steps.

It is very important that the information you enter on the application matches your government issued identification card including your full legal name. It is important that you provide a valid email address so you can be notified as to the status of your application and for future communication. If you are unable to provide an email address, you use the district's email address. All information collected on the application will remain confidential and not be shared outside the volunteer program.

If you have any questions about the application, please request to speak with a volunteer representative.

Thank you,
District Volunteer Coordinator

Cancel ApplicationNext

Once approved, you'll receive a congratulatory email confirming your school access status. See screenshot below.

Congratulations,

Your volunteer application has been approved. We look forward to working with you on the volunteer activities you selected. If you have any questions, please contact the District Volunteer Services office at 904-547-3945.

Thank you,

Volunteer Services

St. Johns County School District



All approved visitors must:

- Sign in through the Raptor system at the front desk
- Present a valid driver's license or state-issued ID (no expired IDs)
- Wear printed Visitor or Volunteer Badge at all times while in the building
- Sign out and return the badge before leaving campus



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FRIDAY, AUGUST 8
8:00 - 11:00

STOP BY THE CAFETERIA TO
GET IMPORTANT SCHOOL
INFO, JOIN THE PTO, AND
SHOP THE MINI BOOK FAIR!

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN!

What is Kindergarten Staggered Start?

Staggered Start provides an opportunity for the kindergarten teacher to work with a small group of students each day to teach rituals and routines and ensure students are comfortable with their environment before introducing them to the entire class.

How does Staggered Start work?

On Friday, August 8, at Meet the Teacher Kindergarten families will select one of the following days: August 11, 12, 13, or 14 to participate in Staggered Start.

- **Monday 8/11/25 (Dismissal 2:45)**
- **Tuesday, 8/12/25 (Dismissal 2:45)**
- **Wednesday, 8/13/25 (Early Dismissal 1:45)**
- **Thursday, 8/14/25 (Dismissal 2:45)**
- **Friday, 8/15/25 - All Kindergarten Students Report to School (Dismissal 2:45)**

What time is Staggered Start drop off?

We are asking parents of kindergarten students who wish to walk their child to class during staggered start to complete the visitor access application on Raptor and arrive at school between (8:40-9:00) on the staggered start day they signed up for at Meet the Teacher. Please bring your photo ID for check in. Kindergarten students riding the bus to school on their staggered start day will be assisted to class by OPE Staff.

When do all Kindergarten Students Start?

All Kindergarten students will report to school on Friday, August 15 during our regular arrival time (8:00-8:25). Please note that every Wednesday is early release and we dismiss at 1:45.





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Get in Touch

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Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

(904) 822-0008

info@SunriseVets.com



GET YOUR CLASS SHIRT!

All students are encouraged to purchase a class shirt for school events and field trips.

Order by OCTOBER 1st to receive your class shirt in time for the Otter Run!



SCAN



Each class has an assigned color - just select your teacher from the drop-down menu on the class shirt website! All orders are shipped to home.

or visit OPEPTO.com

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Home Access Center (HAC) for K–5 Parents

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/>

The Home Access Center (HAC) provides parents with secure, password-protected access to important information about their child's education. Through this web-based system, you can view:

- Attendance
- Report cards
- Schedules
- Assessment data

HAC is part of our district's eSchoolPlus Student Information System. To get started, please complete the Home Access Center User Registration form, available on the district's website. If you experience any issues creating your account, please contact: Vicki Morales
Email: Vicki.Morales@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Parentsquare – Mass Communication System

www.parentsquare.com/signin

What is ParentSquare?

ParentSquare is our new district-wide communication platform. It brings together everything you need in one place messages from the principal, updates from your child's teacher, reminders, forms, and more!

How to Get Started:

- Go to: www.parentsquare.com/signin Use the email or phone number you provided to the school when you registered.
- Download the free app Search "ParentSquare" in the App Store or Google Play
- Sign in and customize your notifications and language settings



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Stay informed and experience a smoother school transportation process with Bus Planner! 🚌

➡ **Scan the QR code below to get started!**



sjcsd.mybusplanner.com



Coordinator's Contact Information: Mrs. Kim LaMondie, 904.547.4150 or kim.lamondie@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Registration Fee \$100 (non-refundable)

☐ Monthly - Before and After Care \$350☐ Before School Only (7:00am-8:00am) \$150/month☐ Wednesday Only \$100/month☐ After School Only (Dismissal-6:00pm) \$300/month

Male	Female	Birthdate	Grade	Teacher	Bus#
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Male	Female	Birthdate	Grade	Teacher	Bus#
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Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Parent/Guardian email: _____

Relationship	Address	Employer
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Phone HM	Cell	WK
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Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Parent/Guardian email: _____

[illegible]

Phone HM _____ Cell _____ WK _____

CUSTODIAL RIGHTS: Parent permitted to pick up the student from extended day.

Mother: ___Yes___No Father: ___Yes___No Other _____ ___Yes___No
Relationship

If "No" is answered above on the natural parents, school papers must be on file with the school

I hereby give Ocean Palms permission to release my child(ren) to the following persons:

Name	Relationship	Phone
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[illegible]

Name	Relationship	Phone
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND/OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS: _____

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____

Biker/Walker Procedures



Biker/Walker Permission Form

Students must have a completed Biker/Walker Permission Form on file before they are allowed to leave campus as a biker or walker. This form must be submitted to the front office and is available on our school website: www-ope.stjohns.k12.fl.us

Arrival (8:00 – 8:25 a.m.)

- Biker/Walker students should enter through the designated gate located near the front field canopy between 8:00 and 8:25 a.m.
- The biker/walker gate is for student use only during arrival and dismissal. All parents must check in through the front office if entering the school campus.
- The gate will be locked at 8:30 a.m. Late arrivals must be escorted to the front office by a parent for check-in.
- In accordance with Florida Statutes (F.S. 316.2065 and 316.20655), students riding bicycles, electric bikes, or scooters must wear a safety helmet.
- For safety reasons, students must walk their bikes, scooters, or e-bikes to the bike rack once they enter school grounds.

Dismissal (2:45 p.m. | 1:45 p.m. on Wednesdays)

- An authorized adult must be present at the biker/walker gate to receive the student unless a parent has provided written permission on the biker/walker form for the child to walk or bike home independently.
- In the event of lightning at dismissal, biker/walker students will be held at school and must be picked up through the Parent Pick-Up line by an authorized adult. A text alert will be sent to all families notifying them of the dismissal change.
- Please do not park on the grass along Landrum Lane to drop off or pick up students. If you are unable to meet the requirements for your child to be a biker/walker, please use the parent drop-off/pick-up line or enroll in our Extended Day program.



Biker/Walker Permission Slip

Please complete this form and return to school.

Student's Name: _____ Teacher/Grade: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address of destination: _____

Route traveled by student (please list street names): _____

To ensure the safety of our students, it is required to have this form signed and returned to school before students are released at the biker/walker gate. Students must check out with the staff member stationed at the gate before leaving campus. Once students exit the biker/walker gate, parents/guardians assume full responsibility for their student. Please note crossing guards are not present on Landrum Lane or Palm Valley Rd. to assist students. Students are not permitted to bike/walk on S. Roscoe Blvd. In the event of lightning at dismissal all biker/walker students will be held at school for parent pick up. A School Messenger text message will be sent to alert you of the procedure change. Again, this is only if lightning is detected at dismissal.

☐ Allow my student to pass through the biker/walker gate without an adult.

☐ Hold my student at the biker/walker gate until received by an adult.

Authorized adults to pick up student at the gate (Photo ID is required at the gate).

Full Name: _____

Full Name: _____

Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



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School Links

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Pricing

Elementary Breakfast	\$1.75
Elementary Lunch	\$3.25

LUNCH		AUGUST 2025			<	>	JULY		SEPTEMBER		
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY			
11		12		13		14		15			
ENTREE Chicken Slider Biscuit French Toast		ENTREE Penne Pasta Meatballs & Marinara Marinara Sauce Pepperoni Calzone		ENTREE Homestyle Chicken Sandwich BBQ Turkey Sandwich		ENTREE Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Hot dog on a bun		ENTREE Hamburger Cheeseburger Cheese Filled Pizza Sticks			
FRUIT Assorted Fruits		FRUIT Assorted Fruits		FRUIT Assorted Fruits		FRUIT Assorted Fruits		FRUIT Assorted Fruits			
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		GRAIN Garlic Rip Stick		SIDE Dipping Sauce condiment		SIDE Dipping Sauce condiment		SIDE Dipping Sauce condiment			
				BEVERAGE Choice of Milk		BEVERAGE Choice of Milk		BEVERAGE Choice of Milk			
18		19		20		21		22			
ENTREE Chicken Nuggets Philly Steak Sandwich		ENTREE Homestyle Mac & Cheese Mini Corn Dogs		ENTREE Grilled Cheese BBQ Chicken Quesadilla		ENTREE Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Hot dog on a bun		ENTREE Hamburger Cheeseburger Cheese Filled Pizza Sticks			
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				BEVERAGE Choice of Milk		BEVERAGE Choice of Milk		BEVERAGE Choice of Milk			

JOIN OUR PTO: BECOME AN *OTTER BOOSTER!*

Your one-time monetary donation to our PTO supports our students and staff and funds projects that improve our school!



CLICK HERE



\$750

SUPER OTTER

- ✓ Drawing for Personal Parking Spot
- ✓ Reserved Parking for Family Nights
- ✓ Food & Activities at Spring Family Night
- ✓ \$50 Scholastic Book Fair Credit
- ✓ 1 Otter Rock Reservation Per Student
- ✓ 1 Commemorative Paver
- ✓ 1 Class Shirt Per Student
- ✓ Lunch Cooler Bag
- ✓ OPE Booster Car Magnet
- ✓ Name on Booster Board

\$250

PLATINUM

- ✓ 1 Class Shirt
- ✓ Lunch Cooler Bag
- ✓ OPE Car Magnet
- ✓ Name on Booster Board

\$100

GOLD

- ✓ Lunch Cooler Bag
- ✓ OPE Car Magnet
- ✓ Name on Booster Board

\$500

OTTER OF THE YEAR

- ✓ Drawing for Personal Parking Spot
- ✓ 1 Otter Rock Reservation
- ✓ 1 Class Shirt
- ✓ Lunch Cooler Bag
- ✓ OPE Car Magnet
- ✓ Name on Booster Board

\$50

SILVER

- ✓ OPE Car Magnet
- ✓ Name on Booster Board

\$25

BRONZE

- ✓ OPE Car Magnet
- ✓ Name on Booster Board



IN SCHOOL YEAR 2024-25:



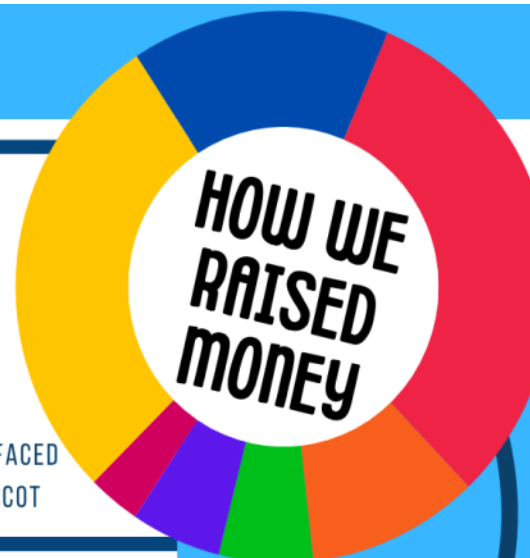
PTA MEMBERS

INVESTMENTS MADE

PARRISH STORYBOOK PATH
MULTI-SPORT TURF FIELD
NEW LAPTOPS & I-PADS
OUTDOOR CLASSROOM TABLES
SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE
P.E. & BASKETBALL COURTS RESURFACED
LEADERSHIP LETTERING NEW MASCOT

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

PTO EVENT STAFFING (FAMILY NIGHTS, BOOK FAIRS, OTTER RUN, STEM NIGHT, ETC.)
ROOM PARENT ORGANIZATION & SUPPORT
CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO ART PROGRAM (CAAP)
SCIENCE LAB



- Otter Run
- Partners
- Otter Boosters
- Otter Spirit Auction
- Donations
- Other Fundraising
- Book Fair

FOR 2025-26:



CLASSROOM & EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES - \$33,650

- ONLINE LEARNING SOFTWARE (IXL MATH, FLOCABULARY, ACCELERATED READER, STARFALL, ETC.)
- TEACHER DUTY ELSEWHERE FUNDING (COVERS SUBSTITUTES TO ALLOW TEACHER PLANNING DAYS)
- INDIVIDUAL GRANTS FOR EACH TEACHER AND RESOURCE TEACHER
- INDUSTRIAL TONER CARTRIDGE FOR EACH TEACHER'S PRINTER
- 90 SUNSHINE STATE BOOKS FOR THE MEDIA CENTER



STAFF APPRECIATION & SUPPORT - \$16,800

- WELCOME BACK LUNCHEON
- CLASSROOM STARTUP GIFT CARDS
- HOLIDAY LUNCHEON
- HOLIDAY GIFT CARDS
- STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK
- STAFF LOUNGE SUPPLIES



STUDENT SUPPORT - \$25,500

- CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO ART PROGRAM (CAAP)
- SCIENCE LAB
- STEM LAB RESOURCE
- BACK-TO-SCHOOL: PLANNERS, FOLDERS, ETC.
- FIFTH GRADE PROMOTION EVENTS
- OTTERS IN NEED SUPPORT



FAMILY & COMMUNITY EVENTS - \$9,300

- CHARACTER COUNTS PROGRAM
- FALL FAMILY NIGHT
- SPRING FAMILY NIGHT
- CAAP ART SHOWCASE
- KINDERGARTEN & NEW FAMILY TOURS



ADMINISTRATIVE - \$4,500

- ONLINE SOFTWARE PLATFORMS
- INSURANCE
- WEBSITE
- CREDIT CARDS FEES



ANNUAL PROJECT(S) - \$15,000

- TO BE DETERMINED*

*ALL FUNDS RAISED IN EXCESS OF PLANNED SPENDING ARE ADDED TO THIS CATEGORY. THE MORE WE RAISE, THE MORE WE CAN SPEND ON OUR AMAZING SCHOOL!



THANK YOU FOR
PARTNERING WITH

OCEAN PALMS ELEMENTARY PTO!



STAY CONNECTED TO OPE! We encourage everyone to follow our PTO's Instagram and Facebook pages for hot off the press information and fabulous footage of our school events!

OPE's Website - <https://www-ope.stjohns.k12.fl.us>

PTO's Website - <https://opepto.membershiptoolkit.com>

PTO's Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/OceanPalmsPTO/>

PTO's Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/opepto/>



OCEAN PALMS ELEMENTARY PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

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2025-26 MEETINGS

September 8 February 9

October 6 March 9

November 10 April 13

January 12 May 11

9:00AM OPE CAFETERIA



Visit OPEPTO.com
for meeting minutes
and to request a
remote meeting link.

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OCEAN PALMS ELEMENTARY
PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

TEA & TISSUES - KICKOFF MEETING

Join us for coffee at
our first PTO meeting
of the year! We'll start
with a brief overview of
our organization for
new families and then
get down to business.

**MONDAY
AUGUST 18
9:00AM**



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OCEAN PALMS

TEA & TISSUES KICKOFF MEETING

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DATE
August 18



TIME
9:00AM



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Magical Culinary Adventures Await!

Gather around as we weave enchanting stories paired with delightful cooking activities that are sure to captivate the hearts and minds of young listeners.

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— Saint Augustine —

Ocean Palms
Elementary School
MONDAYS
3:00-4:15
9/8/25-12/15/25
14 Weeks

WEEKLY
STORIES WITH
NEW RECIPES!

Register at: www.sacreteacook.com





AFTER SCHOOL COOKING CLASS

GRADES 3-5

Join us for a culinary adventure! Our Junior chefs will gain skills to master both basic and advanced recipes, fostering confidence, growth, and creativity.

WHAT WE OFFER

- Engaging cooking lessons for all skill levels
- Master new cooking and baking techniques
- Discover global flavors
- Enjoy making new friends while having fun

OWNERS/CHEFS
MARIA &
BETHANY



ABOUT US

Create a Cook offers cooking lessons that build self-confidence and foster creativity. Our interactive and educational classes inspire students to think like chefs as they learn culinary techniques from basic to advanced and develop a love for cooking.

WHEN?

FALL SEMESTER- MONDAYS

3:00-4:30

9/8/25 - 12/15/25

WHERE?

OCEAN PALMS ELEMENTARY

COST?

4 EQUAL PAYMENTS OF \$150 PER MONTH

(\$50 PER CLASS- INCLUDES ALL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES)

For more information, call
904-640-1344 or email us at
sacreateacook@gmail.com.

SCAN TO
REGISTER



OR GO TO WWW.SACREATEACOOK.COM

Ocean Palms Elementary School Supply List 2025-2026



Pre-Kindergarten

- 2 boxes, jumbo crayons, 8 ct.
- 1 box, jumbo, colored pencils, 8 ct.
- 2 primary journals, draw top- lines bottom
- 2 boxes, washable markers, classic colors, 8 ct.
- 2 black dry erase expo markers
- 1 old t-shirt for art class
- 2 watercolor paint pallet sets – 8 colors
- 1 scissor, 5 inch blunt
- 1 bottle Elmer's glue, 4 oz.
- 8 glue sticks
- 1 set of multicolor bingo dotters/daubers (non-toxic)
- 1 pencil pouch
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 pair of headphones

If your child is in diapers, please supply:

- 2 pkgs. Baby wipes, unscented
- 1 box disposable gloves, latex free – size medium

Kindergarten

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 40 ct.
- 4 primary journals, draw top-lines bottom
- 5 boxes, crayons, 24 ct.
- 1 scissor, 5 inch blunt
- 8 dry erase expo markers, fine tip, black
- 24 glue sticks, washable purple
- 2 pkgs. washable markers, thick 8 ct.
- 1 red plastic folders with pockets & prongs
- 1 large plastic envelope, Velcro / side load
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 large sturdy zipper pencil pouch – must hold all art supplies
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection

Third Grade

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 40 ct.
- 1 large eraser
- 8 dry erase expo markers, colored, chisel tip
- 6 large washable glue sticks
- 1 scissor, 6 inch pointed
- 5 highlighters, any color
- 1 box, colored pencils, 12 ct.
- Plastic folders w/ pockets & prongs 1 each: yellow, green, black, red
- 1 pkg. wide ruled filler paper, 150 ct.
- Composition notebooks, wide ruled
- 1 each: yellow, green, red, black
- 1 clear cover white binder, 1 inch, 3 ring
- 1 pkg. post-It notes, 3 x 3, 100 pk.
- 1 small 8x5 pencil box
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection



First Grade

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 40 ct.
- 1 pencil pouch
- 2 composition primary journals
- 3 boxes, crayons, 24 ct.
- 8 dry erase expo markers, fine tip, black
- 1 plastic folder with pockets & prongs, red
- 6 large washable glue sticks, purple
- 1 scissor, 5 inch blunt
- 1 clear cover white binder, 1 inch 3 ring
- 1 bottle Elmer's glue
- 2 black sharpies
- 2 boxes, washable markers, assorted colors, 10 ct.
- 2 large erasers
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 container Clorox wipes
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection

Ocean Palms Elementary School Supply List 2025-2026

Fourth Grade

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 50 ct.
- 1 large eraser
- 1 scissor, 6 inch pointed
- 1 box, washable markers, 10 ct.
- 1 box, colored pencils, 12 ct.
- 6 black dry erase markers
- 12 glue sticks
- 1 pk of 4 highlighters (multi color)
- 1 pack of index cards, 3x5 100 ct.
- 6 composition books, wide ruled/ 100 sheets
- 1 clear cover white binders, 1.5 inch, 3 ring
- 2 pkgs. wide ruled notebook paper, 150 sheets
- Plastic folders with pockets & prongs 1 each: blue, green, orange, purple, red, yellow
- 1 plastic pencil pouch - no boxes please
- 1 clear protractor
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 Accordion Folder- 7 pocket
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection

Second Grade

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 50 ct.
- 2 boxes, colored pencils, 12 ct.
- 1 black composition book, wide ruled
- 2 boxes, crayons, 24 ct.
- 2 large erasers
- 10 black dry erase expo markers
- Plastic folders with pockets
- 1 each: purple, red, yellow
- 5 glue sticks
- 1 large, sturdy pencil pouch
- 1 scissor, 5 inch blunt
- 1 pkg. lined paper
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection

(K-2) Varying Exceptionalities

- 1 pkg. beginner pencils, 12ct. sharpened
- 3 composition books, wide ruled
- 2 box crayons, 24 ct.
- 4 dry erase markers, color set, chisel
- 1 box, washable markers, 8 ct.
- 2 highlighters
- 12 large washable glue sticks, purple
- 1 scissor, 5 inch blunt
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection
- If your child is in diapers, please supply:
- 2 pkgs. Baby wipes, unscented
- 1 box disposable gloves, latex free

Fifth Grade

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 24 ct.
- 1 box, markers, 10 ct.
- 1 box, colored pencils, 12 ct.
- 8 dry erase markers, color, fine tip
- 6 washable glue sticks
- 1 pair scissors, 6 inch - pointed
- 1 zippered pencil pouch 3-hole
- 2 yellow highlighters
- 4 post-It notes, 3 x 3, 50 ct. per pack
- 1 clear cover white binder, 1.5 inch
- 1 pkg. of dividers, multi-color- 5 tabs
- 7 composition books, wide ruled
- Plastic folders with pockets & prongs 1 each: blue, green, orange, red, yellow
- 1 pkg. wide ruled filler paper, 175 ct.
- 1 box tissues
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection

(3-5) Varying Exceptionalities

- #2 pencils, sharpened, 48 ct.
- 1 hard plastic pencil case
- 1 box large markers 8 ct., classic
- 12 large washable glue sticks
- 1 scissor, 5 inch blunt
- 6 composition books, wide ruled
- 1 box, colored pencils, 12 ct.
- 4 highlighters
- 4 pocket folders
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 pair of headphones - preferably sturdy design (no ear buds) with USB-C connection



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Dear St. Johns County Families,

As another beautiful summer in St. Johns County comes to a close, the familiar rhythm of the school year returns. With that, I have no doubt you will experience the effects of our roadways and sidewalks being flooded with St. Johns County students.

At the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, the safety of your children remains our highest priority. Our Deputy Sheriffs, once again, spent their summer in Active Shooter Trainings to ensure they feel prepared for the worst possible scenario. We also worked hard to train the many new drivers entering our roadways through our Teen Driving Experience.

However, we continue to see a troubling trend involving E-Bike crashes, many of which have resulted in serious injuries to children. While we are actively working on legislation to help address this issue, we urge families to take proactive steps now to promote safe E-Bike practices.

Please take time to talk with your children about the following safety guidelines:

- Obey traffic signals, stop signs, and speed limits
- Slow down for pedestrians
- Wear brightly colored or reflective clothing to stay visible
- Ride in the same direction as traffic
- Use front and rear bike lights at all times
- Riders under 16 are required by law to wear a properly fitted and fastened helmet — and we strongly recommend all riders wear one, regardless of age

Even if your child doesn't own an E-Bike, they may still ride one through friends or family, so it's important they understand and follow these rules. Each of us plays a role in keeping our roads safe. On behalf of the men and women of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, we thank you for your partnership and wish everyone a safe, successful, and enriching school year ahead.

Please reach out to me if I can be of assistance. You can email me at sheriff@sjsso.org. For the most up to date information, find us on social media. @teamsjsso on Facebook, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter)

Sincerely,

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The St. Johns County School District (SJCS D) is committed to safety, security, and the health and wellbeing of all students. Each St. Johns County school has an Emergency Operations Plan with incident specific procedures that is reviewed and practiced regularly. Our school district also works closely with local public safety officials using their expertise and input. Regular safety, health, security, and fire inspections take place each year in all schools. School Health Services contributes to the goals of the education system by helping to ensure that all students are healthy and ready to learn. With a nurse in every school, they function as a part of the school's team to bridge the gap between health, wellness, and learning. Per F.S. 381.0056 - School Health Services Program, school nurses work with parents, other health professionals, and school staff to provide services. For a list of services offered in school clinics and additional information, please visit the Health Services website at <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/health/>. Most schools have also been designated as shelters to be used in the event of a hurricane or other emergency requiring temporary sheltering. Each school has a Safety Committee and Threat Assessment Team as well, that meet regularly to discuss issues of safety and security.

A Youth Resource Deputy (YRD) is assigned at every school. The YRD participates in the facilitation of required training, drills, and on the school's Threat Assessment Team. As prescribed in State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.0018, Active Assailant Response drills will be conducted four times each year. YRDs will also meet with students and facilitate age-appropriate discussions in the beginning of the school year focusing on Active Assailant Response procedures, the "Always Rules" and Safe Zones in the classrooms. The PowerPoint presentation for these can be viewed at <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/schoolservices/safety/>. In addition, we will practice fire, tornado, AED response and bomb threat drills for all faculty/staff and students throughout the year.

Over the past few years, we have enhanced and added several security measures at our school sites. Our camera systems are actively integrated with the Sheriff's Department for their viewing during a critical incident and we have implemented a Mobile Panic Alarm System (Centegix) that gives all school staff members the ability to lock down a school as well as send notification to the Sheriff's Department's 911 Dispatch Center. We also have 800MHz radio capabilities at all schools to directly communicate with local law enforcement in emergency situations. FortifyFL continues to give all our students and families a reporting tool where they can share threats to school and district staff. This can be downloaded from any app store. Students will receive instruction on proper use. School site risk assessments continue to be conducted annually and many of our building safety initiatives such as single point of entry, electronic access, perimeter fencing, and increased signage were completed in alignment with these assessments.

As required by Florida Statute 553.865(4), schools are to maintain separate restrooms for the exclusive use of males and females, or unisex restrooms as defined by Florida Statute 553.865(3)(m). No person (student or adult) on our campus may use restrooms designated for members of the opposite sex.

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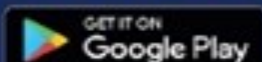
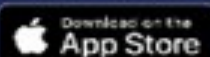
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Dear Elementary School Parent or Guardian,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! I hope you had a wonderful summer. This letter serves to inform you of future middle and high school options for your child. It is never too early to begin consideration of your child's future educational goals, and our state requires that we inform you of these opportunities. Our programs of interest include career academies, advanced academic programs, virtual school options, Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps and the arts. More information is available at <https://cte.stjohns.k12.fl.us/programs/>.

Virtual courses may be taken during or after the school day, either at or away from your student's regular school of attendance. The next open enrollment periods to apply for St. Johns Virtual School as a full-time student are October 31st to December 5th, 2025, and in the spring, April 10th to July 10th, 2026. Enrollment in part-time virtual courses is subject to the school's normal drop/add policy. Virtual course request must be approved by a guidance counselor. To learn about all virtual options, please visit <https://www.sjvs.stjohns.k12.fl.us> or call 904-547-8080.

St. Johns County schools also offer Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL) options. Options include but are not limited to:

Elementary School	Single course and whole grade acceleration; virtual instruction in a higher grade-level course; ACCEL options do not supersede initial placement by age criteria (1003.21(1)(a)2F.S.)
Middle School	High school courses in middle school; virtual instruction in a higher grade-level course; ACCEL options do not supersede the core course requirements for promotion to high school (1003.4156 F.S.)
High School	College credit via Advanced Placement, Career or College Dual Enrollment, Advanced International Certificate of Education or International Baccalaureate courses; course credit for passing state End-of-Course assessments; virtual instruction in advanced courses; early graduation; industry certifications. To see a list of articulation agreements visit https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-technical-edu-agreements/industry-certification.shtml (1003.4295 F.S.)

Finally, there are several diploma options. Designations are dependent upon a student's course of study. Details regarding the criteria for each option and graduation requirements can be found at <https://fldoe.org/schools/k-12-public-schools/sss/graduation-requirements/>.

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This is a great deal of information to consider. As you plan, one of the first places you may wish to visit is the district Parent Resource Guide, <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/families/resource/>, and the Student Progression Plan, <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/families/resource/>. These user-friendly tools may promote a better understanding of the options open to your student. In addition, you can access district approved instructional materials at <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/approved/>. You may also be interested in viewing the Florida Department of Education website that shares resources related to parental rights at <https://www.fldoe.org/ParentalRights/>.

I am proud that our schools offer so many academic choices for our students, Thank you for your consideration of this information and my best wishes to you and your family for an outstanding school year!

Sincerely,

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Student Code of Conduct is developed in accordance with the School Board's policies governing student behavior and discipline. This document is reviewed and updated annually and is distributed by each school principal, either in printed form or electronically.

We ask that you carefully review the Student Code of Conduct in its entirety and ensure that all required signature forms are completed and returned. This document includes important information related to the following areas:

- Students' Rights & Responsibilities
- Student Attendance
- Student Health
- Student Dress Code
- Grounds for Disciplinary Action
- Student-Athlete Code of Conduct
- Student Discipline and Rules of Conduct
- Student Transportation

Please note code of conduct changes for the 25-26 school year:

- Florida law now strictly prohibits elementary and middle school students from using electronic communication devices during the school day.

The Code includes the following forms, which must be signed and returned within five (5) days of receipt—unless they were completed as part of the online New Student or Returning Student Verification process, or through the Athletic Clearance process:

- **Parent/Student Acknowledgement of Student Rules and Regulations** – required for all students and parents.
- **Pursuing Victory With Honor Parent and Student-Athlete Agreement** – required **only** if a student plans to participate in interscholastic athletics.

If you have any questions regarding the Student Code of Conduct or the information outlined above, please do not hesitate to contact your school principal.

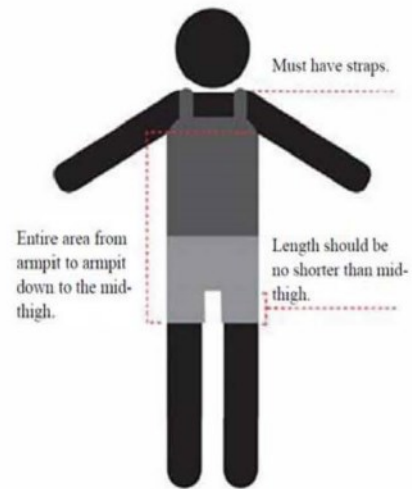
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Student Dress Code Summary

- Clothing must be appropriate and cover from armpit to mid-thigh. Tops need straps and must cover the midriff.
- No clothing, accessories, or piercings may display profanity, violence, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sexual content, or discriminatory messages.
- Pajamas, bedroom slippers, and gang-related graffiti or symbols are not allowed.
- Ripped clothing above mid-thigh must not show skin.
- See-through or mesh clothing must be layered with opaque clothing underneath or over.
- Hats, caps, bandanas, and sunglasses are not permitted indoors unless approved for medical or religious reasons. Sunglasses and hats may be worn outside.
- Footwear must be safe and appropriate for school.



Cell Phones & Electronic Devices

- Students may bring phones and wireless devices to school but must keep them off and stored during the school day.
- Elementary and middle school students may not use phones or devices during the school day, per House Bill 1105.
- High school students may use devices only if approved by administration (e.g., between classes or lunch) and never during instructional time unless a teacher allows it for educational use.
- Earbuds may not be used during the day unless approved. For safety, only one earbud may be used when not directly supervised.
- Violations may result in the device being taken away. Repeated misuse may lead to discipline or loss of device privileges at school.
- Inappropriate use includes (but is not limited to):
 - Texting, calling, or browsing during unauthorized times
 - Recording audio or video without permission
 - Taking photos without approval
 - Sexting
 - Violating the privacy or rights of others

FLORIDA STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

2025–2026 SCHEDULE

The testing windows below denote the amount of time provided for districts and schools to select test administration days; they do not represent the amount of time students spend taking the assessments. The windows are established to provide maximum flexibility to efficiently deliver these important measurements of student progress and performance and maximize student learning and instructional time.

Dates ¹	Assessment
Fall	
August 4–September 26, 2025	Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) PM1 Grades K–2 FAST English Language Art (ELA) Reading & Mathematics
August 11–September 26, 2025	FAST PM1 Grades 3–10 FAST ELA Reading Grades 3–8 FAST Mathematics
September 8–October 3, 2025	FAST Retake Grade 10 ELA Reading Retake
	End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1, Civics, U.S. History
Winter	
December 1, 2025–January 23, 2026	FAST PM2 Grades K–2 FAST Reading & Mathematics Grades 3–10 FAST ELA Reading Grades 3–8 FAST Mathematics
December 1–19, 2025	EOC Assessments Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1, Civics, U.S. History
	FAST Retake Grade 10 ELA Reading Retake
Spring	
March 30–April 10, 2026	Writing Grades 4–10
April 13–May 29, 2026	FAST PM3 Grades K–2 FAST Reading & Mathematics
May 1–29, 2026	FAST PM3 Grades 3–10 FAST ELA Reading Grades 3–8 FAST Mathematics
	Statewide Science Assessment Grades 5 & 8 Science
	EOC Assessments Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1, Civics, U.S. History
	FAST Retake Grade 10 ELA Reading Retake
Summer	
July 13–24, 2026	EOC Assessments Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1, Civics, U.S. History
	FAST Grade 3 ELA Reading Grade 10 ELA Reading Retake

Measuring the Economic Success of Florida's Graduates

2024 Economic Security Report Summary

Experience Matters

The report aims to document the variation in earnings, employment, election to continue their education, and public assistance among graduates who have earned degrees or certificates from Florida's public postsecondary education institutions. The results show that economic outcomes are primarily correlated with a student's credential level.

Figure 1 below displays the total number of graduates for each credential type reviewed across a five-year period from academic years 2016-17 through 2020-21.

Figure 1. Number of Graduates by Credential

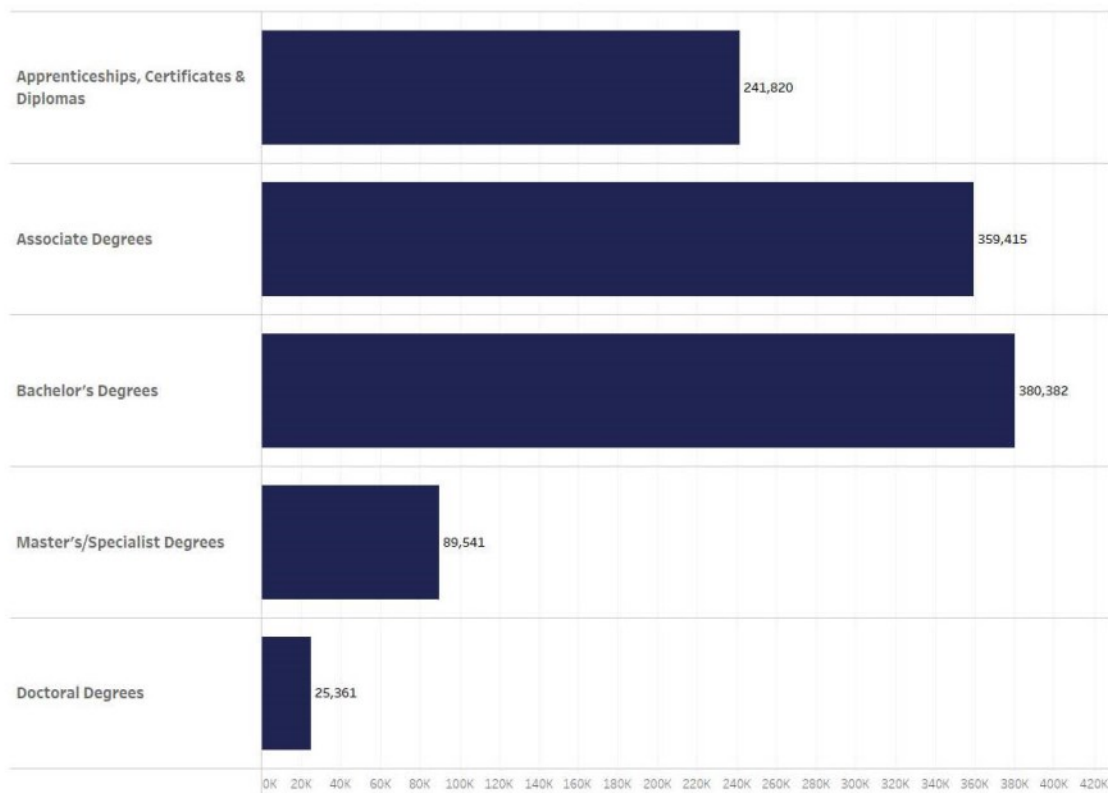
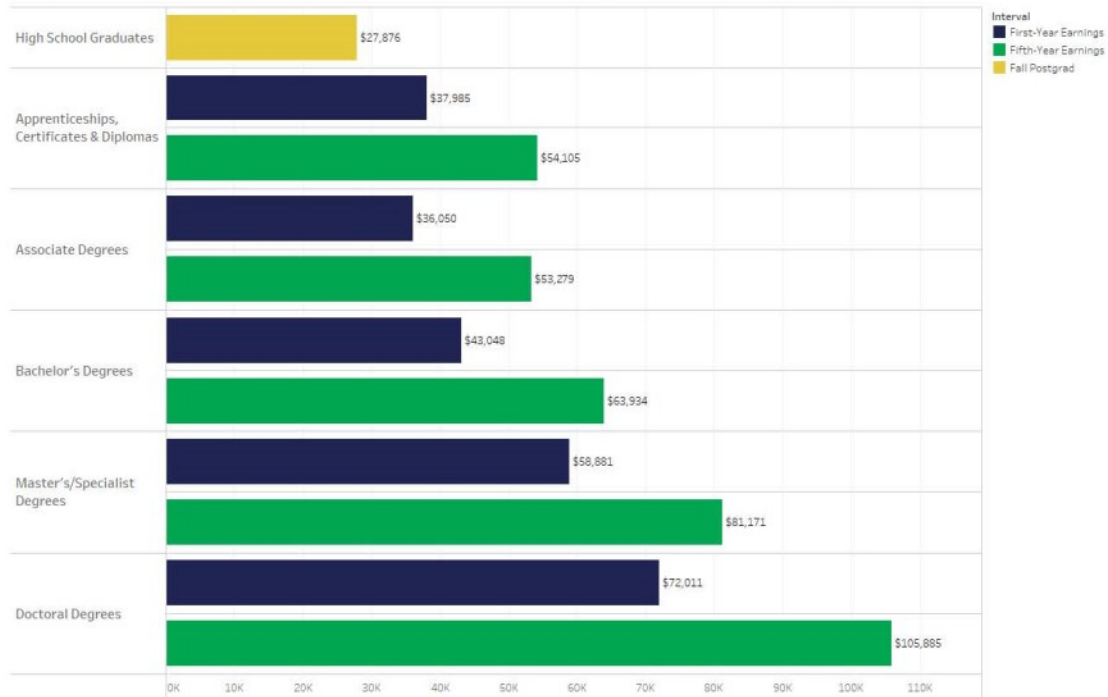


Figure 2 displays the median first- and fifth-year salaries for all credentials awarded by Florida's public postsecondary education system. The importance of experience can be seen within the data.

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Figure 2. Median First- and Fifth-Year Earnings by Credential (for All Institutions)



Student Debt

FCS and SUS institutions in Florida self-report student loan debt data to the Office of Student Financial Assistance in Florida's Department of Education. A total of \$1.56 billion was granted across 255,569 federal student loans, including all students who received Stafford, Perkins, Graduate PLUS, Parent PLUS, and TEACH program loans, was dispersed to FCS and SUS institutions in 2020-21.

Labor Market

As Florida's population continues to increase, so will the job supply. A healthy job market will assist graduates of Florida institutions in their efforts to begin careers of their choosing. The industries expected to gain the most jobs through 2031 are Professional and Technical Services (+116,550 jobs), Food Services and Drinking Places (+100,194 jobs), and Ambulatory and Health Care Services (+98,164 jobs). Collectively, the top-10 industries in job growth are anticipated to add more than half a million new jobs through 2031. The occupations expected to experience the largest job growth through 2031 are Software Developers (+18,720), General and Operations Managers (+17,951), and Registered Nurses (+16,442).¹

¹ Excludes occupations that require only a high school diploma or GED.