



The Crusader Connection



October 28, 2009



LAST WEEK FOR CASH 4 CLASS CONTEST

Help SCA win \$10,000. There is only a few days until the Nov. 1st deadline and with an extra effort by all of our SCA family we're sure to finish strong. This huge cash prize will help our school make improvements that all of us will enjoy. We must act right away. Here are some ideas...

- If possible, try to go to Brandon Mall for your lunch break. Chick-Fil-A counts as "double points" everyday as well as Books-a-Million and Panera.
- If you think you'll be spending \$200 at Westfield over the next few months, buy the gift card now, **they are double points everyday.**
- Consider buying a few \$20 gift cards to give out as gifts for Christmas. SCA will get the points and you'll have the gift card(s) to use as gifts or to make your purchases over the next few months.
- Remember Wednesday is double points day.
- If you have friends or family that would be willing to give their name/email addresses, we can submit their information with the special coupon for an extra 100 points. [Address is for mall purposes only and you will not be spammed.]
- Continue to send in any mall receipts you might have.

Note: The American Express gift cards may be used anywhere not just the mall, and there is a \$3 activation fee for each card.

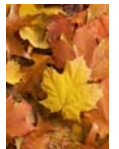
SPIRIT WEEK



This year's Spirit Week will be Nov. 2-6. Secondary days– 11/2 Extreme Age, 11/3 Extreme Style, 11/4 Extreme Country, 11/5 Extreme Unity & 11/6 Extreme Spirit. The Elementary days will be slightly different, 11/2 Extreme Patriotism, 11/3 Extreme Style, 11/4 Extreme Country, 11/5 Extreme Unity & 11/6 Extreme for SCA Victory. The homecoming banquet for 9th-12th will be held at the Downtown Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk, Saturday, Nov. 7th, @ 6:00 pm.

UPCOMING DATES

Nov. 2-6	Spirit Week
Nov. 06	Homecoming Game @ Strawberry Crest HS
Nov. 07	Homecoming Banquet
Nov. 11	Mid Quarter Reports Issued
Nov. 12	Grandparent Day K2-5th / Silent Auction
Nov. 13	1/2 Day of School / Fall Festival
Nov. 16	Middle School Theme Week
Nov. 19	Pre-School Feast
Nov. 20	Middle School Luncheon
Nov. 23-27	Thanksgiving Break/ Aftercare Available 23-25



8th GRADE FUNDRAISERS

8th grade will be offering breakfast on Tuesday's for any SCA students who would like to have breakfast here at school. Each item will range from \$.50-\$1.00.

BAKE SALE:

Come prepared! Every Thursday during lunch, 8th graders will have a Bake Sale with cookies, brownies, root beer floats and more.



PECAN SALE:

Don't forget to order your pecan's for your holiday baking needs. All orders are due by Oct. 30th. Order forms are available in the front office. Thanks for your support.



SIA VOLUNTEER NEWS

Auction & Fall Festival updates:

Silent Auction & Fall Festival November 13th
1:00 – 10:00 PM

We have received an abundance of support and gifts from our community including our parents, teachers and staff. With such an amazing variety of donations our auction is sure to be a huge financial success.

We appreciate your willingness to help make the 2009 Auction a success.

Donations received by Oct. 30th will be recognized in the auction catalog.
Donations received after Oct. 30th will be listed in the addendum.

Please visit our website @ www.SCAcrusaders.com for additional information.

Lunch

Cost: Preschool \$2.75 K5-5th \$3.50 6-12 \$3.75

11/2-11/6

- **Monday**– Chicken Alfredo, Green Beans, Fruit, Drink
- **Tuesday**– Hot Dog, Chips, Fruit, Drink
- **Wednesday**– Chick-Fil-A, Chips, Drink
- **Thursday**– Shepherds Pie, Fruit, Drink
- **Friday**– Pizza, Chips, Ice Cream, Drink



Also Available Daily, Country Chicken Strip Wrap, Salad, Ham & Cheese Sandwich or PBJ Uncrustable.
All are served with chips, dessert or fruit and a drink.



LIBRARY NEWS

Pizza Hut Book-It began Oct. 1st for all students in K/5 through 5th grades. Read for rewards! Each classroom will set their goals. Pre-school Book-It will happen in the spring.

Box tops for Education and Campbells Soup labels are being collected again this year to help fund the library. Our first mailing will be the end of this month, so please send your box tops and labels in a.s.a.p. Thanks for supporting your library!

Accelerated Reading – Everyone in 1st through 5th grades has been tested for AR and can now begin reading and testing on their levels. I look forward to a great year of reading and earning lots of points. If you have questions about AR, please feel free to contact Mrs. Simpson in the library.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTARY STUDENTS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHEIVMENT DURING THE FIRST NINE WEEKS

Elementary Principals Honor Roll:

Collin Agarwal, Payton Aldridge, Kagen Alred, Stephanie Arenas, Chase Boone, Averie Brown, Bryce Canterbury, Michaela Cobb, Evan Coleman, Knaryah Davis, Jacob Foster, Mackenzie Harkins, Kaiya Harris, Sebastian Laloma, Abigail Lewis, Emma Powell, Emily Foster, Kendall Barker, Hannah Bowers, Rachel Bretz, Joshua Campbell, Avery Cherry, Alexandra Gonzalez, Joel Johnson, Kaitlyn Killam, Izaiah Lugo, Jenna Parker, Alexa Paulin, Mitchell Raley, Alondra Rondon, Luke Schultz, Jahleh Scott, Nicholas Scott, Jonathan Taylor, Sarah Veach, Linzie Alred, Cadence Beauchamp, Carley Cates, Beau Frazier, Jacob Rogers, Anna-Marie Smith, Brenna Sutton, Tyson Wilson, Mollie Badenhorst, Joniah Cannon, Maddison Farr, Emily Gonzalez, Grace Hays, Izaiah Knowles, Caleb Laloma, Anai Peterson, Desiree Scott, Victoria Blaszyk, Addison Brady, Caroline Bush, Kyla Carter, Grace Dumas, Patrick Kohel, Jonathan Roberts, Riley Skiles, Haylie Stephens, Josh Abraham, Alyssa Brady, Ashlynn Canterbury, Hope Dean, Justin Gay, Jeremy Harmison, Christian Helms, Raelyn Hudson, Adriel Lugo, Ethan Powell, Ashten Scarpo, Erica Stahl, Sarah Telese, Brant Wenger, Aysia Anderson, Peyton Cherry, Katelynn Chillura, Logan Duncan, Lane Etheridge, Olivia Frazier, Lillie Lewis, Kara McMichen, Parker Phillips, Haela Treen, Jens Abraham, Jade Barta, Callie Pope, Jesulene Severe, Sarai Simmons, Samantha Wilson, Madison Cates, Celismar Guzman, Stephanie Prochaska, Maclane Raley, Zane Richardson, Emily Roberts, Morgan Soddors, Krista Trimble, Olivia Veach, Hayleigh Blaszyk, Delanie Brady, Alanna McCary, Marnelli Tan, Tristan Westerkamp, Cheyenne Wright, Carlos Sanchez, Christopher Willman

Elementary A Honor Roll:

Joshua Sheppard, Shad Stevens, Madeline Flint, Brooke Means, Justin Wolchansky, Dane Belton, Jacob Bouilly, Connor Duncan, Andrew Baker, Sydney Szczesniakowski,



SCA ATHLETICS

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, October 29
District Championship @ SCA 7:00



CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, October 29
Bay Conference Championship
Taylor Park– Largo
VG-3:45 VB-4:30 JVB-3:00



2009 Fall Baseball Schedule

Thursday, October 29
Bloomingdale 5:00



ATHLETIC INFORMATION:

- Cross Country Update:

The Cross Country team competed in the Bradenton Runners Club Invitational this past Saturday. The Girls team finished 11th, behind Alexis Bright's time of 22:47, which was a PR for her. Also, setting a PR was Amanda Gonzalez with a time of 24:45. The Boys team finished 8th, with Michael Oquendo's PR time of 18:42; Also breaking 19 minutes were Brian Fearnow (18:44) and Robbie Fearnow with a PR of 18:56. The team will compete at the Bay Conference Championship this week for their last regular season week. Districts are Thursday, November 5 at Taylor Park in Largo. Race times are JV- 9:30, VG- 10:15, VB- 11:00.

- Middle School Boys Basketball Tryouts

Middle School Boys Basketball tryouts will be next week- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 3:30-5:00 at E.L. Bing Park in Seffner. The school will provide bus transportation to and from the park. Directions to Taylor Park from SCA- Take CR 579 North to Pruet Road (there will be a sign for McDonald Elementary). Turn right on Pruet Road. Turn right on Taylor Road, and the park will be on the right. All students trying out must have a completed FHSAA physical and FHSAA Consent form before trying out. These forms need to be turned in to the coach.

In order to participate, all athletes must have a completed FHSAA Physical form, and a completed FHSAA Consent and Release Form turned in to their coach on the first day of tryouts.

BOYS VARSITY AND JV BASKETBALL TRYOUTS TO BEGIN NOVEMBER 2:

Varsity and JV boys basketball teams tryouts will begin on Monday, November 2. The practice schedule for that week is as follows:

Nov. 2 – JV (5:00 – 6:30)	Varsity (6:00 – 8:00)
Nov. 3 – JV (5:00 – 6:30)	Varsity (6:00 – 8:00)
Nov. 4 - JV and Varsity (4:15 – 5:30)	
Nov. 5 - JV (5:00 – 6:30)	Varsity (6:00 – 8:00)
Nov. 6 – JV and Varsity (4:30 – 6:00)	



We will begin after school conditioning on Monday, October 26 immediately after school. All players planning to try out need to attend. Fall baseball and soccer players are excluded from this requirement. Please contact Mr. Duncan if you have any questions.

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Choosing a College Major

As the seniors are sending out college applications and as I am confronting the juniors about what their post high school plans are, I wanted to provide everyone with some websites that could aide in planning for the students futures.

Having a major in mind streamlines the educational process and often, according to many educators, gets a student through college in four years (instead of more J). This website: www.MyMajors.com allows students to plug in their high school experiences and personal values into a simple quiz. It recommends five majors for the student to consider, offers information about the major and the kinds of jobs the majors lead to, and provides helpful links to resources that can help a student's understanding of what it takes to succeed in a particular major. The founder of this website says selecting a major during that junior or senior year of high school can save parents big bucks. Students unsure of majors can cost themselves or their parents for a fifth year of college; which in today's world would be about \$30,000 for a private institution and \$14,000 for a public institution.

While not as detailed as MyMajors, www.collegesofdistinction.com offers a short quiz to delve more into the idea of who a student is and what might best suit them as far as location, the school academic profile, student body, and social atmosphere, campus identity, activities and financial aid. This assessment can be a great tool in your college search; use it to help you start finding the schools that offer the programs, atmosphere, and other characteristics that really match what you are looking for.

Finally, www.collegeview.com , offers a college search quiz that generates a list of possible colleges and universities based on an area of study, possible location, tuition range, school type and minority representation. The results pull up the name of the college or university, the city, state, in-state and out-of-state tuition, enrollment and a Web button to hit and request more info. The site also offers tips and stories on financial aid, the application process, campus life and some careers and majors.

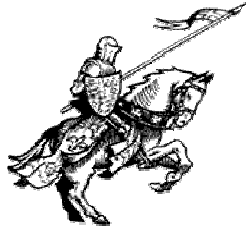
I encourage you to sit down with your high school and even middle school students and take at least one of these quizzes. It is never to early to start exploring interests – and while their intended majors may change 50 times before they graduate SCA, it is better now then when they are in college!

Mrs. Helms

Spirit Week Days 2009

“Extreme Spirit”

Secondary



November 2- Extreme Age- Freshman – babies, Sophomores – school age children, Juniors – professional adults, Seniors – elderly people- Middle School – babies or elderly

November 3 - Extreme Style - Pick a crazy style theme and go extreme!
Nerd, 50's, Clash

November 4- Extreme Country- Pull out your jeans and cowboy hats!

November 5 – Extreme Unity –Each class will pick a theme for the day

November 6- Extreme for SCA Victory – Dress in Maroon and white. Annual parade at 1:40

General Guidelines

1. Students that do not participate will need to wear their regular uniform.
2. Students that participate may wear jeans if part of the costume. Girls may wear pants or capris. All outfits must meet modesty standards of SCA. No shorts or short skirts.
3. No face paint or colored hair spray bottles may be brought to school.
4. Points will be awarded for class participation. The winning class in middle school and high school will receive a jean day and a trip to the mall.
5. To be counted for class participation points, a student must have three components to the outfit.

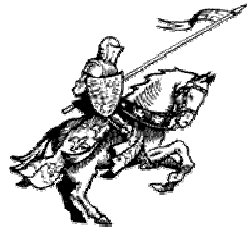
Homecoming Ceremony – 7:00 at Strawberry Crest High School – November 6.

Homecoming Banquet – 6:00 at Downtown Sheraton- tickets on sale Oct. 28-30. \$45

Spirit Week Days 2009

“Extreme Spirit”

Elementary



November 2- Extreme Patriotism – Wear red, white, and blue.

November 3 - Extreme Style - Dress in crazy hats, socks, and glasses.
(Wear regular uniform)

November 4- Extreme Country- Pull out your jeans and cowboy hats!

November 5 – Extreme Unity – Your teacher will let you know what your class theme is for the day

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2. Students that participate may wear jeans if part of the costume. Girls may wear pants or capris. Please do not wear non uniform shorts (except pre-school).
3. Students may paint their face if part of the costume, but please do not dye a student's hair.
4. Students will be allowed to purchase SCA items throughout the week during lunch.
5. Points will be awarded for class participation. The winning class in elementary will have a class ice cream party.