March 23, 2025

Good morning Chargers,

Welcome to the Fourth Quarter!  All our work this year has led us to the here and now, and we are *here now* to push our students to their fullest potential.  I reheard this quote over break, and it reminded me of  how our entire school community rallies around our children:

*“We do all the good we can,*

*By all the means we can,*

*In all the ways we can,*

*In all the places we can,*

*At all the times we can,*

*To all the people we can,*

*As long as ever we can.”*

Today, and every day, do all the good you can… because POA is truly changing the world!  Make it a great week everyone!

**Come Charge Ahead with Us**

**C –** *“Come on time, each day, ready to learn!”* (August)

**H-** *“Hold tight to kindness and caring.”* (September)

***A-****“Anchor yourself in Honesty and Fairness.”* (October)

**R-** *“Rally around differences and celebrate them.”* (November)

**G-** *“Greet each day with a positive attitude.”* (December)

**E-** *“Engage with your learning to show responsibility.”* (January)

**R-** *“Reflect on learning opportunities to build trustworthiness.”* (February)

**S-** *“Strive to do your best so you can grow.”* 1% is all it takes.  Challenge your Charger to do one thing, 1% better, this week and you’ll see all the good things come your way!

**School Advisory Council Survey**

Every year, Patriot Oaks Academy, conducts a parent and family survey through our School Advisory Council (SAC).  This survey is anonymous and provides helpful insight so we can better serve our students, staff, and community.  The results of the survey will be reviewed by our SAC prior to the end of the school year and will help guide our leadership team in developing school goals and refining our school-based programming and practices.  Please complete the survey as a family by ***Friday, March 28, 2025.*** Thank you for your support and have a great spring break!

[Click here for the 2025 SAC Family Survey](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FiRJDhcZSweCxe-mmYZqbjQ~~%2FAAAAARA~%2F_jxjG-mhgtlpYn9Y6SMuS8qQeNzGUq1_IUF_XAfzbrOP1Hx3cob7hrQeBZuwykgLe3tJ-yP_S6IdlVWoUJYAGajaRv37thTkTHbzpT_otSebIN9kwEhuOX7uxsR1KXh0L-0YhoYXE91bDz01OU1R-Wkt3WOaFju3vlhNCwbYVe2JTfS0JsKrqKZfooN8htXq99IO7TtTGs-IGeQk6bpjgB8Bt0ewi8AROYJlLGLtILCpcme2W4Q4C-gRkodbK2TayzYCzUtKt_owMLvL-7YO2mwL1mrAcLhi9sntUBvUiwhpqh5lrYd5dxgaGVCAPhOHUoAvnSC86ju-kFm2tYfSg5tiXj0LIJGFrEeAADACZy8FPXsFcbPGZuzous33vHuiIsTJdr9MKJu9q5tmAGO5qDB6bjREFGA136shxNzjq4-3pHvqNHGvx_68MfHseF5LnZShDRIXlVrGZdgNir6IqVbZEE4TumJVRg_yuMzMgJvmgjkAkUNQhemKmY9q0M3Fdbe779SjDMiOOh7xKtiW_II0GGDkp6HOzP0a0aM4GiOLGKoBrRICHZ3A8Ncz6CNo1sX2YCBQUe9dviD0o-v2ch4ir8VcVIhSlCZ7763Z9nnl3o_k0_CP_jb72bbEWhIjmjRskPNYM6wET8XqkCJVplAZK5IiY_oIyYKeRA0fj_swpIhG86DJKzPkDEGPSoITpiWRKo6t2NAX1T_L91kMvtojpyqPd7T1ecebB2mtb94~&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486244908%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=vl%2Fjb6VBP27SYXl696cd6pVzjB8QF7qFHJO6GYDW%2BIw%3D&reserved=0)

**Family Input Form for the 2025-2026 School Year**

We spend a lot of time creating elementary classes & middle school master schedules for our students. We truly believe that finding that right match and creating the opportunity for a solid relationship between a student and a teacher is the basis for a successful school year. We want you to know that throughout the process, we discuss each child individually and strive to make that best match. We cannot promise that we do not make any mistakes, but we do want you to know that many hours are spent on this process, and we do our very best for each of your children.   
  
Please know, *we do not take teacher requests*. However, if you would like the opportunity to share your child’s specific needs and the type of teacher that you feel they need, please complete this form by the last day of school, Friday, May 30th.   
  
We welcome your thoughts and respect that you know your child best. If you have multiple children, please fill out this form for each student.

[Family Input Form for the 2025-2026 School Year](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FG-Cw7JmPd_mLpZT3NBijJQ~~%2FAAAAARA~%2F-U_URE9QF7t4KSdMAakws76cU7A4ZcQ7j0Mc6Xk_qSI7E3Ci33BuIBg9Urm-zlN7INDTCVKCz26MGmhNt230OuhkhazCK4Y8gCM1ogQoMRvC9OILU4GcRhd8BSXIkrXiFFAoXTLXA08cg10e1LhSz0e5S3LmGILtxlCRrJuWjV9q-GxMW9_TmsiUNLNyk4NQDYEVnewU1ajHEtpaDi6ahNUwkWRQQzYWG51tZNx9TAWU9M-Vj7sJXNszNsXFxjwcgvl8YiQw6466NiBU-KeNEQ~~&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486266505%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Kzi2RzQMJdSAKsaUsf9UJ%2F4VyYnGCy7hxTyNFFnVAp0%3D&reserved=0)

**It’s the fourth quarter:  it’s testing season!**

It is just about time for our third and final round of FAST Progress Monitoring Testing beginning the week of March 31st.  Our comprehensive Testing Calendar can be found on our school website.  Please click below for all things testing at Patriot Oaks Academy!

[POA Testing Calendar & Additional Information](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2Fyc4CjjeJUQ-quzTxwiiiHA~~%2FAAAAARA~%2FCGCJx_hQZHn2CMHDPE4KnR0K7CWUclXI8bWBHd1qXxI9YnVihZBrP4AgT-UvBrnbQjA-RUEoLLFytvjmJrWuP8pyypT8u7ikztMKL0waKB9G_DeuRHDGDyD8QlDf0Ktzv3sWeaNDepJskm2jSoqnCha15-7fspFgbIqluPjg5d0~&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486281007%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Z9rkAzYTvcNMkQaED8NfhUum1AejMY8fRpuNbi91kKA%3D&reserved=0)

**Change in start time for the 2025-2026 School Year**

On Tuesday, March 11th, the SJCSD school board will be voted to officially change our start time for the 2025-2026 school year.  *POA will begin instruction at 8:00 and release students at 2:25 (1:25 on Wednesday), moving our day earlier by 25 minutes.*

* At this time, we do not have answers to “when can I drop off my student,” or “what time is lunch,” “what about recess,” “will extend day’s hours change,” etc.  We are going to be putting together a few drafts and working with our leadership team the next two months to put together a schedule that makes the most sense for our students, and for our staff.
* The answer to these questions will be shared with our community prior to the end of the school year.

**Ryan’s Story Community Event @ Palm Valley Academy- March 24th**

A poster with text and images

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**Community Safety Event @ Patriot Oaks Academy- March 27th**

Patriot Oaks will be hosting a Community Safety Chat.  Featuring Michael Strausbaugh, the District School Safety Specialist and Lt. Kennedy from the St. Johns County Sheriff’s Office, the following topics will be addressed - talking to parents about the safety of our schools in general, how the District and Sheriff's office keep our children safe in the event something occurs inside of our schools, and also answering any questions parents may have regarding drills or general safety protocols.  The event will begin at 6:00 pm in our café.

A police car and a building

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**FLDOE ESE Parent Survey**

Each year, the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) conducts a survey designed to provide FDOE and the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, with information on how well Florida’s schools are partnering with parents and promoting parent involvement in their child’s education.  The survey is open to all parents of children with an individual educational plan (IEP) receiving ESE services from preschool age through grade 12.

 The 2024/2025 ESE Parent Survey is open beginning February 2025 and will close on 6/30/2025.  The survey can be completed on the web or mobile phone by visiting:

[2025 ESE Parent Survey](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FTDQUzx0PetR6nAPbnyaUtw~~%2FAAAAARA~%2F6W-c3IAxcir3RkKsdKaV_25dGYv2ZC1XvPyUNuINIvh3Z4gxSB8-3I3pQXwVgvjZrXWSFu4h_dMKSwPuxVR5UKs4Zl7kY-GwrVke8dmA_r6ObCA1MJzz3Hh0fIKTsO46IORQxrmRy-ga5YnkrdRCrKX9u3dczvsMvZQHY15v9RkkakpeDextowA_XRbeAuLC0PouQZ2wTHvWpFj7koDEQXMDsMMWhja1iGF1ZsXP9gAO85VWw9G89AkNK3jwVqdmq_e8bY7A7ISMfAcY9H7flIkfigz31Yl5-M6A1S6if1wTt4MM2yqrJeZUwYi7L1y4MJ69bLMuZ7K0cjNFuW3ZfOL0dOsoXDwvyDjR8_bWNBnKCc_1nFeroma9GXqZ3XBSKAbB5qlu9NKczMyJdRY-Z1kiTTW_s7iJ_GSBeQc94fD2RoioZ47MddEisDk6dGaoxnVASztUo4SYWHXbnLkYKqHsL-X1n-mMyflHHqg5Ae0EzRHoVfP3AAy3wzAVFuImqcGFNcyASDG-EOZxOjkrUe3n15p6a9Nfeyfy3Dw4z7pxLciCQxAJjRUt-WzPe3zD9Hv9iItIU7xyPtmWhlg_8ihI5rqxfuga7NHqwRkMWtJw2tdVDkP_q6C483gUjXP_75DfGAnPdCGVyKFDRRb2r2KPc9cUuF_fm_EwGK__IY_hckCBZj-bjAcuOXiHx53ScEASYRvbJksUUv9x2hy_DyDk2Mra5tjIu21lsGeVh1eKwBD1VZCSmdJy6aU3AcHcyQCignac0vQik6CJD6SOmTAQkbN7tNVf9FZJsY4lAepd4H2grsIjs4UcS7Gq7DDmwN_p4W5W-abk1N7ioLdFG919p0-D1AFY0W02n3FZR39hg9DhlE1dQy81SZl_40pmQIcfkIvZWtp4DS_htGytxxBtxNtpeqs3mF9Zlfk5vNA70p12kpILdkeG7m8fMMRvotVYnr2x2LIAYO9uM4hk-WcvxZM2gM74sAqeVauYFfysYHKQctRPuNClwZCD3c8UJW9JLkS5eut3pOuuNb2ynq8c2-1uFKqEgcZDbjR4BkcvH5CgNwar3zVsOY-jTJacgH57MkFInakWRymo6V9GuGvWHKHEyAnY0KxhzYDkVyicRFY_eTWtrvPjhf52OFl2JNzGrKnhGnc24Ky92iLhj7hXjK3Nx_FuRO9h2CSAx0sBMSOZDCD2uHmrbkhagS0wBx_ytm4uRVOAJ0rscRe42UrdedkGmfbMPE6f6cy6qUtmricpF-P36MsT0D0NZYligmmR1ruDRUvwPmmRd3V03Al6_fYPJ4mZk50iHLs7avRjY3N8KJhXOGa0qi-j0mMLoxlTeWDVmMw8A1Q2sy_Avf-zCl9lk0DmkgAFGI9KAuBol7s3p2K3U-Y7o2so1Rnbhph2Zn02DyUqYmhZOuxh1WDImBHjElKPFgERjmg95h2POjCId2hQIWUC8LdMb1rMsHnOmD6XvXOpSnJH-MHR7h7gU7BZt88gkwonGxWSb_Y1i_tVM1TFpfsi-125oY1fQI13XUEPPjouI_H0j9R4roPpTFF8POTOEFYRf414dCMuC16W2Aqo8uV88obyrwmePwpSxXky35IswWEVTQZtAZtJ--42Gbq-MK2TvsYyO1t4ui39T0yJsEfocSw8HpCWxgXexcWFiIv5IVEIfC7_IM55DRXd_5067ZHe61PHeG7pl-t8tmJ3Ve7KVaX1J2Ag&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486295323%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDA)

Your responses will help guide efforts to improve services and results for children and families.  All information provided will remain confidential.  You may submit one online survey for each child receiving services.

**Awesome resources for families!!**

Did you know that you can access free, district vetted, and school approved resources and curriculum on our school website?!

[Free District Tutoring Services](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FKmUtJSt6cG433qxEaHNYrQ~~%2FAAAAARA~%2Fkn_eNOEJiiGU3nneUa38GGg9pH2zGVdw07IMna7qdAZXXg_7hEY0DPLuoyfFo0U14AXo51qqDJfFwNIzelz2063gL1IAHys7ljRrlXMKBPtFGM9N6s7pLvjsPulpRvPeyh_hgcy9RNn5Q-wgmWGQzr0yGRTGECQK2un40Z_mbkDItnDQdVlspoSNZEk3lM6V&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486311136%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=4R8B%2B37hxGXTDWNMAFAv7ID3J9m7BP%2B82kW8pTJPcik%3D&reserved=0)

[Year- at-a- Glance Pacing Guides for all courses & grades](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FDTRSNYUf_c7DDIS0Nnp4XA~~%2FAAAAARA~%2FmZJ5OAb3a84wqoLGxr2w4SuUkYlOzL_ik_tbDmqCxzKkWoc8Guqc9VivzbUxIqt7Hu5tFH-pQv9ZK8-WX8QoJpYOiOQlhKJ3lb3nhmrnoE2mCxN3x20zT13hzXSh9SgrY5S-OQ5vUrIvZgskYiG3qO3tA3nk2ijmNZg4PTBP-wg~&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486325410%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Z7CXXAKZh2a1XmfMqJb42%2BPnBUj0FmhQEYDlC9q20bY%3D&reserved=0)

[Parent Resource Guide](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2F-fd278L5skyTUP4cZ1Kmjg~~%2FAAAAARA~%2FqoMTtw853QVuVgcHHAPxPlZOvMw0jDKn1PwmEG1MrNqOLHGeBEE44OV_RUVHCe6pucn-x0ZTs1AlMpv7WdoJ0WF8QQeFuxfP6QTZvM-IioUmEIq8w6sLI4EOwb7_Ykjfsy7VJH621mnfAYdsSjlDRKLmaa6CMyZa4jsn--llrco~&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486339668%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=yDU4iqiQ4mwnciNlGQ43sDOmnLXW0zb83juko60Hwvg%3D&reserved=0)

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[Schoology for Parents](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FgmU9R9c7T_UA3QbSKpB-6w~~%2FAAAAARA~%2Fc3MFBC3IHvDU8hvOoKGN0Zc-rSBPVPCbWEhN6DD4fuqvQOrYwQfvtnILrl9tsG9lPN3q0HJ1FMFrxqDlKW57o44GpumQKHhYp5NcGXfhtjbcsvBTGAtaXfN0QI_-qnqFRM-aiYL5rbcO0nHYVnf_sBxLYM0P-tsmf4ajt3TFeoNyz5YrkCQhlkwRD14h8Ajn&data=05%7C02%7CLeigh.Schouest%40stjohns.k12.fl.us%7C44d159c0528b4998800208dd6a131b8c%7Cb3b3d057fc124f3f92f472be6e844351%7C0%7C0%7C638783352486354345%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=JEr5Ljy%2FEKgya2pO0LlgaaK3y1kreKOMmxmYvO%2BJBTI%3D&reserved=0)

**A Note from our PTO (**[**patriooakspto@gmail.com**](mailto:patriooakspto@gmail.com)**)**

Welcome Back Chargers!!

**Week at a Glance, Week of March 24:**

* *Monday, March 24:*
  + Annie Jr. Rehearsal on the Stage after School
  + Girl Scouts Meeting in Café at 6:00 pm

* *Tuesday, March 25:*
  + Middle School Battle of the Books
  + 1st Grade Field Trip to “Tales of Seuss”

* *Wednesday, March 26:*
  + 1st Grade WOW
  + Middle School Character Chats- 1st Period
  + Green Chargers After School

* *Thursday, March 27:*
  + 3rd-5th Grade Battle of the Books
  + Math Peer Tutoring after school in Ms. Usha’s Room
  + Annie Jr. Rehearsal on the stage after school
  + Blue Chips after school
  + SJCSD community Safety Chats in Café 6:00 pm

* *Friday, March 25:*
  + Annie Jr. Rehearsal on the stage after school

That’s all for now Chargers.  Work Hard. Learn Something. Be Kind.

Respectfully,

A close up of a signature

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