

## July Newsletter

### Our Mission

We are dedicated to elevating every student in Flagler County by uniting community, resources, and opportunity through innovative programs, mentorship, and unwavering support for educators and families. We remove barriers, ignite potential, and ensure every student has the resources and opportunities to succeed.

### BIG NEWS, FLAGLER COUNTY!



We are absolutely thrilled that Flagler Schools is officially an "A"-graded school district!

For the first time since 2019, the Florida Department of Education has recognized our district with the highest mark of academic excellence. This incredible milestone reflects phenomenal growth and hard work across our classrooms!

This major win belongs to our entire community:

Our Dedicated Educators & Staff: Who brought innovation, continuous improvement, and endless energy into the classroom every single day.

### S.T.U.F.F. Bus

## S.T.U.F.F. BUS

SUPPLYING THINGS U FIND FUNDAMENTAL

Our students need the "basics," and your support will make a difference!



### SUMMER WISH LIST SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks
- Expo Markers
- Headphones
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Folders
- Pencils/Pens
- Markers
- Highlighters
- Loose-leaf paper
- Binders



You can always drop off in the main lobby of the Government Services Building,  
1769 E. Moody. Bunnell, FL 32110

Contact Stephanie Ellis (386)437-7526 x1128 or elliss@flaglerschools.com

### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Donate Supplies: Drop off items at the Flagler Ed Foundation Bus in the parking lot at 1769 E Moody Blvd, Bunnell, FL 32110

Contact Stephanie Ellis for any questions!

Make a Financial Gift: Support the S.T.U.F.F. Bus directly here:

<https://wl.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx...>

Our Incredible Students: Who pushed boundaries, stayed focused, and proved exactly what they are capable of. Our Flagler Families: Who supported, encouraged, and partnered with us every step of the way. Thank you, Flagler County, for believing in our vision and lifting up our schools. Together, we aren't just meeting standards; we are setting them! Let's celebrate this massive achievement together!

### Big brains and turned pages!



Thank you for helping us take care of our Flagler families!

**Sign-up Today!**

### Ready to shape the future of Flagler County?



**3RD ANNUAL FLAGLER SCHOOLS**  
**COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR**  
PRESENTED BY  
FLAGLER COUNTY EDUCATION FOUNDATION

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026**  
**9 AM TO NOON**  
**PALM COAST COMMUNITY CENTER**

**VENDOR REGISTRATION HERE!!!**  

Calling all local businesses, entrepreneurs, professionals, and career industries! Flagler Schools is hosting its College and Career Fair presented by the Flagler County Education Foundation, and we want you to be part of it. This is your chance to share your college or university, connect with talent, showcase your industry, and inspire the next generation of professionals.

When: Friday, September 25, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – Noon. Where: Palm Coast Community Center

Want to secure a spot for your business or need more details? Reach out to Maryiotti Johnson at [johnsonm@flaglerschools.com](mailto:johnsonm@flaglerschools.com) today!

Let's build a stronger workforce together. See you there!

**Register Here**

**Calling All Flagler County Students & Families!**



We had the absolute best time at **Flagler Schools Summer Reading Camp**! Our campers dove headfirst into some incredible books, crushed their reading goals, and let their imaginations run wild with 4th of July celebrations. There is nothing better than seeing these kids discover the joy of a great story.

## Revving Our Engines at Palm Coast Ford!



**PINK ARMY 5K & 1-Mile Pet Friendly Walk**

**October 4, 2026**

*Rain or Shine!*

**START / FINISH**

**AdventHealth Palm Coast**  
60 Memorial Medical Parkway  
Palm Coast, FL 32164  
(on U.S. 100)  
Note: New Race Route this year.

| Where:    | AdventHealth Palm Coast                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Timeline: | <p>6:30 am Registration</p> <p>7:15 am Pre-Race Festivities begin including "Survivors Strut"</p> <p>7:30 am Hula Hoop &amp; pre-race warm-ups</p> <p>7:45 am Pink 5K begins</p> <p>7:55 am Pooch Prance to the starting line</p> <p>8:00 am 1-mile Pet-Friendly Fun Walk</p> <p>8:40 am Pink Out Your Pet Contest Winners Announced</p> <p>8:45 am Award Presentations</p> |

**Register with the City of Palm Coast**

**Pink5K.com**  
386.986.2323

➤ **Register on-line** - advanced sign-ups discount before 8.31.2026  
code "EARLYBIRD" receives \$5 off registration

- Pink 5K - \$40
- One-mile Pet Friendly Fun Walk - \$40
- Student Rate (18 and under) - \$20 with code "KIDS" register before 9.26.2026  
Discount provided by Flagler County Education Foundation

➤ **To mail your Registration & Packet Pick-Up**

- Palm Coast Community Center, 305 Palm Coast Parkway NE, Palm Coast, FL 32137
- Packet Pick-Up: Wed. - Fri. (9/30-10/2) 9am - 6pm; Sat. 10/3 - 9am - 2pm

For sponsorship or group information call 386-986-2323

Proceeds stay in Flagler County to assist qualified individuals with early detection screenings, cancer-related education materials, cancer diagnostic testing, the purchase of the SOZO lymphedema early detection system, as well as "Radiant Wraps" & Triggers for radiation patients.

**AdventHealth**  
Palm Coast

Get ready to lace up your sneakers (and grab your pet's leash!) for the 2026 Pink Army 5K & 1-Mile Pet-Friendly Walk happening on October 4, 2026!

This year, we are thrilled to highlight an amazing community partnership making a huge difference for our local youth. The Flagler County Education Foundation has stepped up to ensure our students can be a part of this life-saving cause! Thanks to their support, younger participants can join the movement at a heavily discounted rate. Special Student Discount Details: The Deal: Students aged 18 and under can register for just \$20!

The Promo Code: Use code KIDS at checkout.

The Deadline: You must register before September 26, 2026, to secure this special rate.

Not a student? You can still save! Adults can use code EARLYBIRD before August 31, 2026, to receive \$5 off the standard \$40 registration fee.

**Race Day Schedule (Rain or Shine!)**  
**Where:** AdventHealth Palm Coast, 60 Memorial Medical Parkway  
**6:30 AM:** Registration opens  
**7:15 AM:** Pre-race festivities & the inspiring Survivors Strut begin



Our campers got a special behind-the-scenes look at how a local business runs! We visited **Palm Coast Ford**, where our students explored real-world careers, practiced their math skills by checking out prices and measurements, and even got to sit in some amazing vehicles. A massive thank you to the team at Palm Coast Ford for welcoming us with open arms and inspiring our future leaders and innovators! Meeting Alice on the Flagler Turtle Trail! As part of our mission to combine literacy with art and science, we hit the Flagler Turtle Trail to visit one of our favorite local landmarks: Alice the turtle! It was a great week at camp!

7:45 AM: Pink 5K race begins  
8:00 AM: 1-Mile Pet Friendly Fun Walk begins  
8:40 AM: Pink Out Your Pet Contest winners announced

Why Your Support Matters: Every single dollar raised stays right here in our community. Proceeds go directly toward helping qualified individuals in Flagler County access early detection cancer screenings, diagnostic testing, and critical cancer education materials.

Ready to make an impact? Head over to **Pink5K.com** right now to sign up and lock in your discount!

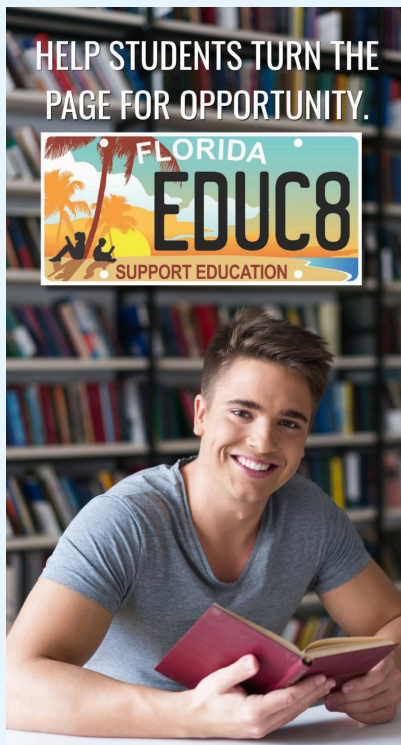
## Powerful Advocacy for Our Students!



Thank you to our sponsors for making this happen:

**G.W. Carver Center**  
**Kiwanis Flagler Palm Coast**  
**Palm Coast Ford**  
**The NASCAR Foundation**

**As you drive across Florida this summer, keep an eye out for the License to Learn specialty plate.**



Every one of those plates tells the story of someone who chose to support students, teachers, and public education right in their own community.

When you purchase a License to Learn plate, \$20 stays in the county where the plate is registered to support programs through your local education foundation. That means your everyday drive can help fund classroom resources, student programs, teacher support, and opportunities that make a real difference close to home. Vacation mode looks even better when it supports public education.

Get your plate at **LicenseToLearnFL.com**

**WAY TO GO SELINA!**

A massive thank you to Senator Tom Leek and Representative Sam Greco for taking the time to connect with the community at the Palm Coast-Flagler Chamber's 2026 Post-Legislative Event!

We are incredibly grateful to Senator Leek and Representative Greco for their championing of education in our region. Their fierce advocacy and unwavering support for the **Take Stock in Children** program and the state Matching Grant are changing lives right here in Flagler County. Thank you both for investing in our youth, breaking the cycle of poverty, and building the future workforce of tomorrow. We also owe a huge thank you to the **Palm Coast-Flagler Chamber of Commerce** for hosting this vital event and keeping our community connected!

**World-class golf meets an amazing cause right here in our community!**

**Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS** CHAMPIONS

**DRIVE FOR A DIFFERENCE**

Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS presented by Circle K is excited to welcome fans to Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, October 9-11, 2026, in Palm Coast, Florida. This PGA TOUR Champions event combines world-class golf with music, food, and entertainment, all in support of local charities. In an effort to raise more money for our community, Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS presented by Circle K has teamed up with Flagler County Education Foundation to donate Saturday and Sunday general admission ticket proceeds to support the program's mission of generating financial support and awareness to enhance educational programs that benefit students, families, and teachers in Flagler Schools.

100% of your Saturday and Sunday general admission ticket proceeds for Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS presented by Circle K will go directly to Flagler County Education Foundation. Scan the QR code below to purchase your tickets and support Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS presented by Circle K and Flagler County Education Foundation!

LINK:  
<https://am.ticketmaster.com/ngafuryk/buy/buytickets?promocode=RURVQ0FUSU90>

PROMO CODE: EDUCATION

The **Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS** presented by Circle K PGA TOUR Champions event is returning to Palm Coast. This incredible weekend combines elite tournament play with live music, fantastic food, and entertainment all in support of local charities.

Here are the details you need to know:  
Dates: October 9-11, 2026



Congratulations to our Assistant Director of Student Services, Selina Hernandez! She goes the extra mile for every student in the **Take Stock in Children** program in Flagler!

## Great update on the 2026 Florida legislative session!







**Recap of 2026 Florida Legislative Session**

Please join us for a look back at the 2026 legislative session as it relates to education.

**Topics Include:**

- Budget highlights
- Key education legislation on early literacy and K-12
- Proposed property tax changes
- Your questions

**Register Today!**  
**August 13, 2026 at 11am**  
<https://bit.ly/26-FL-LEGISLATIVE>

## THE S.T.U.F.F. BUS IS PACKED!



Location: Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, Palm Coast, Florida

The Impact: 100% of Saturday and Sunday general admission ticket proceeds go directly to Pace Jacksonville to provide girls and young women with an opportunity for a better future.

How to buy: Support the Flagler County Education Foundation by using the promo code EDUCATION at checkout!

**Get Your Tickets Now!**

**We are so incredibly proud of our Take Stock in Children graduates who recently came by to pick up their 3 L's graduation gift!**





We are absolutely blown away by the incredible generosity of our Epic Church family! Because of your giving hearts, we have collected a mountain of school supplies for The STUFF Bus to help local students and teachers start the school year strong. From backpacks and binders to crayons and glue sticks, every single donation represents a child who will walk into their classroom feeling prepared, confident, and loved. A Massive THANK YOU! We want to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who:

- Donated supplies and filled our collection bins.
- Shared the word with friends and family.



You didn't just help fill a bus; you fueled futures and showed our community the love. We are so incredibly grateful! Let's keep making a difference together!

## Early Learning VPK Event!



Thanks to the immense generosity of Brian and Jacki Unger, our scholars are heading off to college with a massive head start. Their "3 L's" scholarship gives these deserving students a choice of:

- Laptop (for their studies)
- Lunch (financial support for their college meal plans)
- Lodging (essentials to furnish their new dorm rooms)

This critical boost ensures our graduates have the exact resources they need to focus

We had the best time at our Early Learning VPK Event! Seeing so many smiling faces, eager young learners, and wonderful families coming together was truly the highlight of our week.

### **What a weekend at Hidden Trails Community Center!**



on what matters most: their education and their future.

To Brian and Jacki: Thank you for continuing to champion our future leaders and showing them that their community stands firmly behind them. And to our graduates: You've worked so hard for this opportunity. Now, go conquer college!

### **And that's a wrap on Great Minds Summer Camp 2026!**





It was heartwarming to see many local families turn out for the Launch to Learning VPK Event. From helping parents complete enrollment applications to passing out learning activity bags and, of course, Kona Ice for the kids it was a huge win for early childhood education in Flagler County!

Year after year, the incredible members of the GRAND HAVEN Woman's CLUB show up big for our local kids, and this year is no exception!





Thanks to their continuous dedication, generosity, and hard work, countless **Flagler Schools** students will walk into the classroom this school year with the supplies, confidence, and tools they need to succeed. From backpacks to notebooks, your efforts make a lasting difference in Flagler County. Thank you, Grand Haven Woman's Club, for always investing in our students and our future!

## BACK TO SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY!



Mark your calendars! The 4th Annual 1 Village Foundation Back to School Block Party is coming up!  
Sunday, Aug 9, 2026 | 11 AM - 5 PM  
223 St. Joe Plaza Parking Lot  
FREE FOR THE KIDS:



What an incredible finale! We officially wrapped up the best summer ever with a beautiful closing ceremony celebrating all of our amazing campers, followed by an absolute BLAST at Daytona Lagoon! From big smiles and new friendships to epic water slides and unforgettable memories, this summer was one for the books. Big thanks to our incredible teachers, supportive parents, and most importantly, our brilliant campers who made every single day special. See you all next summer! Thank you to our sponsors for making this happen:

**G.W. Carver Center**  
**Kiwanis Flagler Palm Coast**  
**Palm Coast Ford**  
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**THANK YOU, Space Coast Credit Union!**



Backpacks & School Supplies  
50 Free Haircuts by Toney's Barbershop  
1 Scoop of Ice Cream (2-4 PM) from Scoops and Subs  
Bouncy House & DJ  
Vendors, Sponsors, & Donations: Help support our youth! For vendor/sponsor info or to donate, call 386-235-1470.

**1,000 BACKPACKS = READY TO GO!**



A huge shoutout and THANK YOU to our friends at **Space Coast Credit Union** for hosting such a successful school supply drive! Your generosity is helping us fill 1,000 backpacks for local students!  
Next stop on the route? **Palm Coast Chiropractic Center!**  
We're pulling up to collect the next haul of supplies to make sure every kid in our community goes back to school feeling prepared and confident.

**The S.T.U.F.F. Bus is filling up!**





Huge round of applause for our INCREDIBLE volunteers who absolutely crushed Backpack Packing Day! Thanks to their hard work, dedication, and endless energy, 1,000 backpacks are stuffed and ready for our amazing local students. A massive THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the Stuff the Bus drive this summer! Every single notebook, pencil, and donation helped fill these bags to the brim. We truly couldn't do this without a community that shows up the way you do.

**A HUGE thank you to AdventHealth Palm Coast for helping us STUFF the Bus and making sure Flagler Schools students head back to school ready for success!**



A huge THANK YOU to the Flagler County Association of Realtors (FCAR) for collecting and donating fully stocked backpacks to support the Flagler County Education Foundation's S.T.U.F.F. Bus!

Every backpack donated helps ensure that Flagler Schools students have the supplies they need to start the school year ready to learn and succeed. Your generosity is making a direct impact on students and families throughout our community.

We are incredibly grateful for community partners like FCAR who continue to invest in the success of our students. Together, we're removing barriers, creating opportunities, and making sure every child is prepared for a great school year.

Thank you, FCAR, for helping us fill the S.T.U.F.F. Bus and fill students with confidence for the year ahead!

**We had the opportunity to join the Flagler Cares Help Night and provide backpacks filled with school supplies to local students as they get ready for the new school year.**



One of the highlights of the evening was seeing so many familiar faces from our Great Minds Summer Camp! It was wonderful to reconnect with these amazing students and send them off with the supplies they need for a successful start to the school year. Thank you to Flagler Cares and all of our incredible community partners for working together to support Flagler County students and families. Together, we're helping remove barriers and making sure every student starts the school year ready to learn.



**It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing of Bob Cuff, a deeply respected past Board Member and President of FCEF.**

Your generosity and commitment to our community are making a real difference for local students and families. Every backpack

filled represents a child who will walk into the classroom with confidence and the tools they need to learn.

We are incredibly grateful for our partnership with AdventHealth Palm Coast and everyone who volunteered, donated, and helped make this event such a success. Together, we are removing barriers, creating opportunities, and ensuring every student has the chance to thrive.

Thank you for believing in our students and investing in their future!

## Huge Thanks to SouthState Bank!



We want to send a massive thank you to our amazing friends at SouthState Bank for showing up big for our students during this year's Stuff the Bus drive!

Thanks to their incredible support, generosity, and community spirit, we were



**Bob Cuff**

Past FCEF Board President

With heavy hearts, He will be deeply missed by all. We will always remember his selfless work.



Bob was a steadfast leader whose vision, warmth, and commitment left an indelible mark on our foundation and the community we serve. During his time as President, he led with grace and integrity, always championing our mission and inspiring those around him to give their very best.

We extend our deepest condolences to the Cuff family, his friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing and working alongside him. His legacy of service and dedication will continue to guide us.

Rest in peace, Bob. Thank you for your leadership and your legacy.

## A huge THANK YOU to Chiumento Law for your incredible support with our recent Stuff Bus drive!



able to collect so many back-to-school supplies to help local **Flagler Schools** kids start the school year confident and fully prepared.

Partnerships like this remind us how strong our community is when we work together. Thank you, Southstate Bank, for investing in our kids and helping us fill that bus!

## What an absolute **SUCCESS!**



Thanks to your generosity and partnership, we were able to make a massive impact and help equip students for a successful school year. We truly couldn't have done it without you!

Come see us today!

Want to grab your supplies? Join us today at 10:00 AM at the Back to School Jam located at Flagler Palm Coast High School to pick up a free back-to-school supply pack, courtesy of all our amazing donors who contributed to the Stuff Bus this summer! We'd love to see you there!



This weekend's Back to School Jam was one for the books! Thanks to this amazing community, we handed out over 1,250 backpacks filled with school supplies, plus tons of loose supplies to make sure our students are ready to crush the new school year! **Flagler Schools**

We truly couldn't have made this happen without our incredible volunteers and partners. Huge shoutout to:

FCEF Board Members

**GRAND HAVEN Woman's CLUB**

Flagler Volunteer Services

Mr. & Mrs. Nichols

**Palm Coast-Flagler Chamber of Commerce**

Thank you for showing up, giving your time, and pouring so much love into our local kids. Here's to a fantastic school year ahead!

## Save the Date

### FCEF Prime Events 2026-2027

-  JDC Gala – November 14, 2026
-  Mardi Gras Ball – February 9, 2027
-  JDC Book Launch – March 31, 2027
-  Joe Rizzo Golf Tournament – April 5, 2027
-  Senior Scholarship Night – May 5 and 6, 2027



*Thank You To Our  
Annual Partners!*



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