



# CREST NEWS



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## Notes from the Principal



Dear CREST Families,



I am so excited to see our CREST students' progress this year so far. I was pleased at the parental turn out we had for our First Curriculum Day and we look forward to seeing our families at our February Career Day. Some more things to look forward to as we move in the New Year are a continued academic focus and life skills training too. We are now using Achieve 3000 with a select group of students in Reading and experiencing positive reviews and performance. We are also introducing ABLE Math and initial reviews are amazing. We hope to soon be offering this program to all students at CREST that need it. A very special thank you to the IRRU community for making the purchase of this hands-on program possible for our students. It has our teachers so excited.

As we move into the Holiday Season, your CREST Family wishes you the best and we hope you enjoy the time you have with your family and we look forward to serving your child in 2019.

I leave you with a final thought for a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Respectfully,

**Lee Mulder**  
Principal, CREST

Remember that the greatest gift you can ever own is not found in the shops or under your Christmas tree. It is found in the hearts of your loving family and your true friends.



## Notes from the Assistant Principal



It is hard to believe that we are already at the halfway point in the school year. It is going by so quickly. There are such wonderful things happening in all the classrooms around CREST. Students are engaged and making gains daily. Moving closer to the Winter Break there will be many exciting events occurring at CREST. I am hopeful that the year continues to be a great success.

**Callie Haynes**  
Assistant Principal





### Curriculum



Parents and Guardians,

Please mark your calendars for February 8, 2019 we will be holding our second Curriculum Career Day. We will be inviting community members who will share with our students the wonderful work they do in our community from 1-3 pm. If you know of a community member who would like to join our career day please have them contact CREST school at 352-527-0303.

**Melanie Howard**

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**Curriculum TOSA**



### Behavior

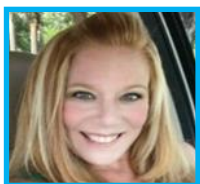
CREST Families and Friends,



The Christmas and Holiday spirit is in full effect here at CREST. The countdown has officially begun to Christmas break and with only fifteen school days in the month of December, it will be here before we know it. During those fifteen days we have two fun-filled events for the students. On Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> we will be having our Christmas movie in the gym event. How the Grinch Stole Christmas overwhelmingly won the votes of students and staff. The following Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> is arguably one of the most exciting days of the year; this is when Santa Clause visits CREST! The celebration with Santa officially marks the halfway point in the school year for our students and sets the tone for a great send-off into our Holiday break. Remember to talk with your student about their daily behavior chart and make sure they are on the correct path to earn these fun-filled activities. And remember, each month brings its own set of activities, so it is never too late to earn-in on the action! We hope that everyone has a very Merry Christmas and an enjoyable holiday break and we look forward to welcoming our students back.

#### **Kelly's Corner:**

Christmas traditions are one of the things kids will remember for years and years to come. Those special memories will bring your family closer. Here are some fun ideas that have been shared by students and staff here at CREST.



**Christmas Countdown:** Make a Christmas chain. Let the kids cut strips of paper and hook them together to create a countdown chain. Take turns taking a ring off the chain each day.

**Go holiday light-seeing:** Have the family pile in the car and take a drive. Pick out the best decorated house you can find.

**Bake Cookies:** find a fun recipe and leave them out for Santa on Christmas Eve.

**Watch Christmas movies:** Get cozied up in your favorite PJ's relax and watch a movie.

**Elf on the Shelf:** Each day your kids will look for Santa's little helper and see what silly antics he has been up to.

**Ornament Exchange:** Each year when families get together for the holidays each family brings an ornament to exchange. You will have quite the collection in years to come!

## *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!*

Your friendly neighborhood Behavior TOSA's

Mr. Sean Ear [ears@citrus.k12.fl.us](mailto:ears@citrus.k12.fl.us)

Mrs. Kelly Daugherty [DaughertyK@citrus.k12.fl.us](mailto:DaughertyK@citrus.k12.fl.us)



## Events / Information



### CREST Thanksgiving

All had a great time celebrating Thanksgiving at our annual Thanksgiving Feast. Students and Staff all contributed either by donating food items, cooking or serving food. A big Thank You to Miss Renee, Staff and Students who helped make the day a great success. We can't wait for next year's feast.

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### VFW Award

Sonny received an award from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary for his patriotism and his help at a recent event. Thanks for your hard work Sonny!

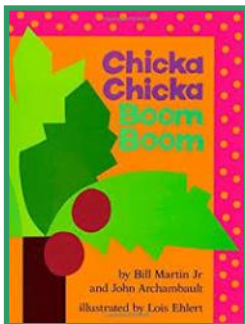
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## Substitute Positions



Citrus County Schools is now hiring for all substitute positions (Teacher, Support (Aide), Custodian, Food Service and Bus Drivers).

If you are interested or have any questions please call 352-726-1931 Ext 2295 or go to <https://skyfin.citrus.k12.fl.us:444/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsFin/rappljoblst484.w> select the substitute position(s) you would like to apply for, click on apply for selected position(s) and fill out all the required information/application.



## StoryBook Treasures

What a great day at CREST! On November 14th, Shaundra Burrdette came to read to some of our classes for StoryBook Treasures. Classes came to the CREST Media Center to listen to the story "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom" written by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault. Ms. Burrdette was also able to utilize the TV purchased with the Citrus County Education Foundation Mini Grant during her presentation! The students really enjoyed their time in the Media Center.

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## Breeze Concert at CREST



Breeze, choral group from Citrus High School, put on a show for the CREST Students and Staff on November 30th. Breeze's energy and enthusiasm kept students entertained. Thanks Breeze we look forward to next time!

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### BOX TOPS

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# Calendars

Citrus County Schools Calendar

[www.citrus.k12.fl.us/news/Approved 2018-19 School Calendar.pdf](http://www.citrus.k12.fl.us/news/Approved%202018-19%20School%20Calendar.pdf)

## December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Santa at CREST	15
16	17	18	19	20 Full Day for Students / Hurricane Makeup	21 1/2 Day for Students	22
23	24 Christmas Break	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Christmas Break					



### January Dates

Jan 9th Students Return to School  
Jan 21st Martin Luther King / No School

### February Dates

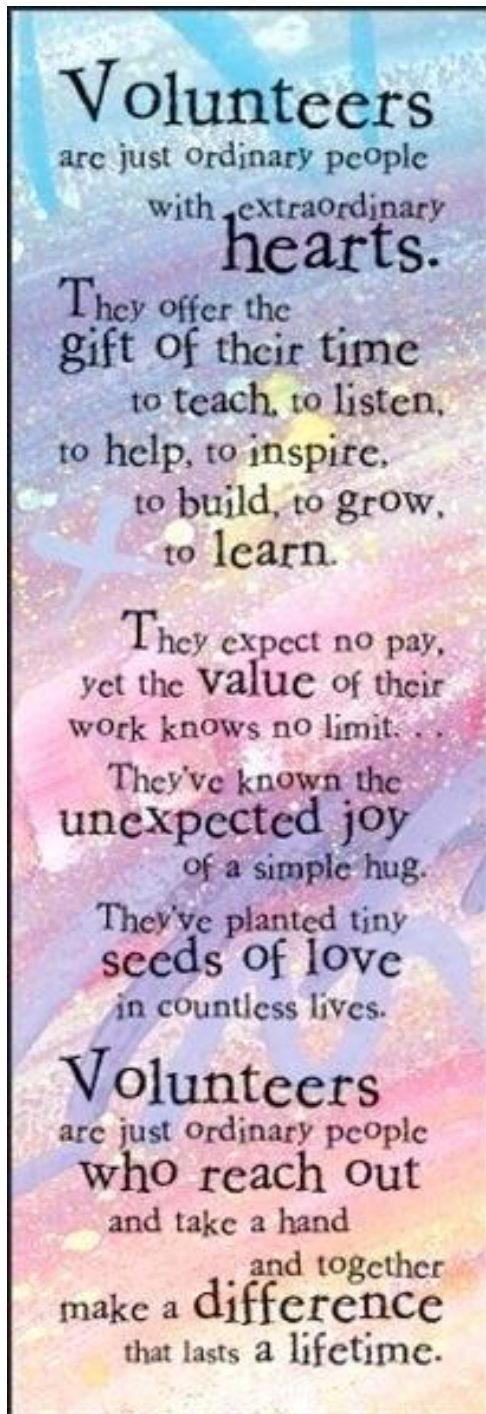
Feb 8th Curriculum Day



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Donna Ieronimo was our very special volunteer here at CREST for over nine years. On November 28, 2018 our dear Donna passed away due to complications to her Type I Diabetes.

Donna spent countless hours helping classes at CREST and wasn't just a volunteer but part of our CREST Family. She lovingly referred to her students here at CREST as her Rugrats. Donna will be fondly remembered and missed.

