



Directions

The Upper School is located at 7400 San Jose Blvd. This is an accurate address for GPS units and mobile maps.

Bolles is on the west side of San Jose Blvd; you'll find the traffic light at the main entrance a helpful landmark.

- Coming from the south? You'll pass all our athletic facilities before you reach the main entrance.
- Coming from the north? The main entrance is right around a curve in the road, so keep an eye out for that stop light.

Immediately upon arriving, you will find yourself at a guard gate. The guard will ask for a photo ID, and will give you a visitor's pass to wear while on campus. This is the only place where you will need to check-in during your visit. The guard can help direct you to visitor parking.

Parking

After you leave the guard gate, stay in the left lane. The right lane will direct you towards the river (far west side of campus) and on to the Lower School. Note that this is a two way-street, so avoid the far left lane as you'll be driving on the wrong side of the road! Just don't change lanes after you leave the guard gate, and you'll be fine.

The left lane ends at the stop sign, where you'll turn left. You'll have the option to turn into two lanes of one-way traffic; you want the left of these lanes to access visitor parking.

You'll find visitor spaces in the diagonal spots close to the flagpole. If all these are taken, continue driving straight into the next lot (Lot D), where you'll find additional visitor spaces on your right side.

Worst case scenario, you can park in any open space. Please note the space number, and tell Carol Deane Williams in the College Counseling office when you arrive. We can alert the correct people that you are temporarily parked in a reserved space. We recommend putting a sign on your dashboard explaining you are a visiting college representative.

Finding our office

Bolles is a sprawling campus with many buildings. From your parking spot, make your way to the flagpole. Follow the pathway to your 2 o'clock, and you'll reach a two story building. Walk under the archways, and take the curving staircase immediately to your left. College Counseling is at the top of the stairs.

Running late?

It happens. Traffic accidents can snarl I-95, and San Jose Blvd features a lot of stop lights. When it's safe to do so, please call Carol Deane Williams (904-256-5235) to let her know you are running late. Our students are eager to meet with you, and will patiently wait. We check our voicemails frequently, so leave a message if she doesn't pick up.

Food and Beverage

Coffee

Need a quick, convenient caffeine fix?

Starbucks are everywhere, and two are right off of San Jose Blvd.

North of Bolles, head to 1500 University Blvd West, Jacksonville. South of Bolles, head to 9661 San Jose Blvd
Bold Bean Coffee Roasters (1905 Hendricks Ave, Jacksonville)

Good coffee comes from those who roast it themselves. You'll find a superb cup of coffee in many formats -
indulge in their iced vanilla/honey latte.

Willing to drive for a local cup of handcrafted caffeine?

Bold Bean Coffee Roasters

Two more locations - west of downtown at 869 Stockton Street, Jacksonville and out at the beach at 2400 3rd
Street S, Jacksonville Beach)

Brew (1024 Park St, Jacksonville)

Their coldbrew is notoriously strong, be forewarned! Try out any beverage with their lavender syrup.

The Urban Bean Coffeehouse Café (2023 Park Ave, Orange Park)

A newer addition to the fledgling coffee scene, they have an extensive food menu. In addition to the usual
standbys and cold brew options, check out the Sparkling Long Black, a carbonated espresso drink.

Chocolate

Peterbrooke Chocolatier

Sometimes, you just need chocolate covered popcorn for lunch. A Jacksonville-based chocolate company, you'll
find locations all around town. Heading north? Direct your GPS to 2024 San Marco Blvd. Heading south? About
15 minutes south of Bolles you'll find another location at 11406 San Jose Blvd.

A quick lunch, north of Bolles

Tijuana Flats (5635 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville)

A staff favorite on "Taco Tuesdays," expect a line out the door during lunch and dinner every Tuesday for this
inexpensive Mexican favorite.

Noura Café (1533 University Blvd, Jacksonville)

Steve is a weekly fixture at this Mediterranean café with some of the best falafel in town. He rotates between
their tabbouleh-kibbeh-hummus pita sandwich, their sampler platter, and their daily special. Daphne, and
Caroline always get the ultimate falafel sandwich.

Pepe's Hacienda (3615 Dupont Ave, Jacksonville)

If Steve isn't at Noura, you can find him here. A dive, hole-in-the-wall Mexican place, Steve likes their chiles
reellenos and burritos.

Mojo BBQ (1607 University Blvd W, Jacksonville)

A small northern Florida BBQ chain, come for arguably the best fries in town and stay for the pulled pork
sandwich.

A quick lunch, south of Bolles

The Loop (9965 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville)

A southeast chain founded in Jacksonville, great for burgers, milkshakes, BBQ chicken pizza. Their onion rings
earn Daphne's seal of approval.

Village Bread Café (10111 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville)

Great breakfast and lunch with generous portion sizes. Their Curry Chicken Salad Sandwich and BLT are office
staples, and their bread pudding is worth the indulgence.

Kazu Japanese Restaurant (9965 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville)

Fix your sushi craving. Caroline likes their sweetheart roll.

Willing to drive for a great dinner?

4Rivers Smokehouse (9220 Baymeadows Rd, Jacksonville)

A small Florida BBQ chain, Caroline craves their Six Shooter stacker, Daphne and Steve prefer a double order fried okra, and Carol Deane loves their pulled chicken.

bb's Restaurant (1019 Hendricks Ave, Jacksonville)

A favorite of our staff for celebratory lunches. It's on the pricier side, but you can easily make a meal out of an appetizer or salad and a dessert. Definitely don't forget dessert here.

Barbara Jean's Restaurant (15 South Roscoe Blvd, Ponte Vedra)

Known for their seafood and southern cooking, a must hit if you are out at the beaches. Carol Deane raves about their crab cakes and cheese grits.

Candy Apple Café (400 North Hogan Street, Jacksonville)

A newer addition to the downtown dining scene, this restaurant serves Southern-influenced, French-inspired food. They offer brunch all day and a great happy hour alongside a traditional lunch and dinner menu. They share a building with Sweet Pete's, a Jacksonville-based candy company.

Maple Street Biscuit Company (2004 San Marco Blvd, Jacksonville)

Their name betrays their specialty, and they live up to the hype. Steve falls for the Squawking Goat sandwich every time.

Metro Street Diner (3302 Hendricks Avenue, Jacksonville)

Featured on Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives, the Yo Hala on the Square and Fried Chicken and Waffle are not to be missed.

Picasso's (10503 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville)

Don't judge a restaurant by its strip mall location. Without a freezer in their kitchen, it's hard to find food fresher than Picasso's. Great for an early dinner during travel season when you've had to skip lunch, as wait times at this small restaurant can be more than an hour long as early as 6pm. Collective staff favorites include their St. Louis-style pizza, pan-seared salmon, shrimp and grits, and any of their rotating blackboard specials.

V Pizza (1406 Hendricks Ave, Jacksonville)

Excellent pizza, the Hendricks Ave location shares a building with Sidecar, one of the best cocktail bars in town. You can order a V pizza while sitting at Sidecar enjoying their daily happy hour specials. Caroline craves the Pizza Alla Di Pollo, aka the Chicken Wing Pizza.

Zoes Kitchen (4624 Town Crossing Dr, Jacksonville)

Brave the traffic at St John's Town Center for this healthy Mediterranean chain restaurant. We recommend any of their hummus flavors, their fresh limeade, and all their kabobs. You'll find an additional locations near downtown, out at the beach, and south of the 295 loop.

Hotels

In Jacksonville, you'll find that hotels cluster in pockets. Looking for a pocket close to Bolles?

Hotels on Butler Blvd near the intersections of Southside Blvd and I-95 will give you easy access to I-95 and the beaches. They are close to St. John's Town Center, a popular outdoor shopping and dining district with nation-wide chains.

Near downtown, hotels on the south bank of the St John's River will also give you easy access to I-95 and several other high schools, plus access to many of the local dining favorites listed above.

