



April 8, 2024: a day to remember! Through their protective lenses, Carr Lane Students were provided the opportunity to experience and view a near total eclipse of the sun! In 40 years, if you happen to be in the yard behind Carr Lane VPA Middle, you'll be able to see it again!



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# Eclipsed Perspectives

While observing the solar eclipse on April 8, 2024, students used proper protective glasses. Despite viewing the same event, their interpretations varied widely. Each student expressed their unique perceptions and emotions evoked by the experience and created art to visually represent their individual interpretations. Is there a particular one that resonates with you? How does it make you feel or can you determine the mood evoked? If you were to attribute significance to your favorite piece, what would that be? Thank you for engaging with our art.



Ms. Hill, of Trio, gets a ring-side seat for the solar eclipse on 4-8-24



Carr Lane VPA Art Teacher, Ms. L. Williams explains her students' "Eclipsed Perspectives" art project.



# APRIL FASHION SHOW!



Students, Teachers and Moms take part in Carr Lane's Annual Fashion Show!



Students show their hand-made fashions, created with common, household items!





Thanks to Ms. Cotton for sharing these images from the recent 6th grade trip to the Library!



# CARR LANE LITERACY!



The entire student body gathers in their "Literacy for the Lou" t-shirts in support of Literacy!



8th graders Denim Browder and John Crawford show out in their Literacy for the Lou t-shirts in support!







***EIGHTH GRADE!***



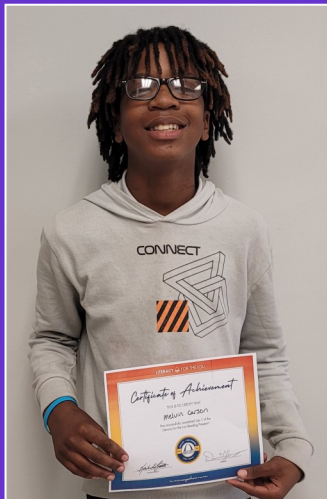
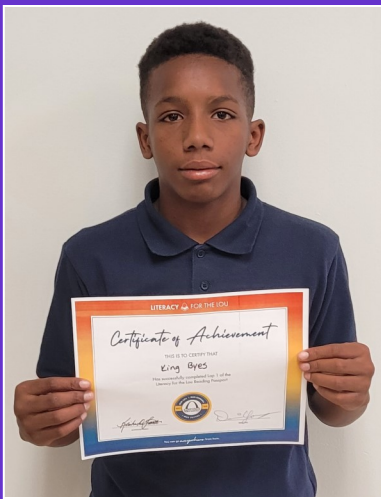
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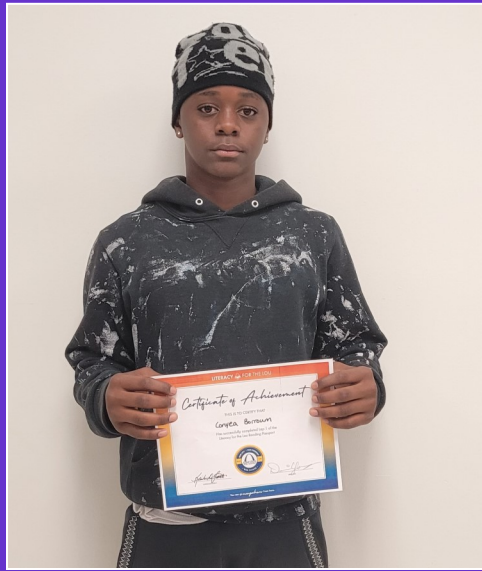
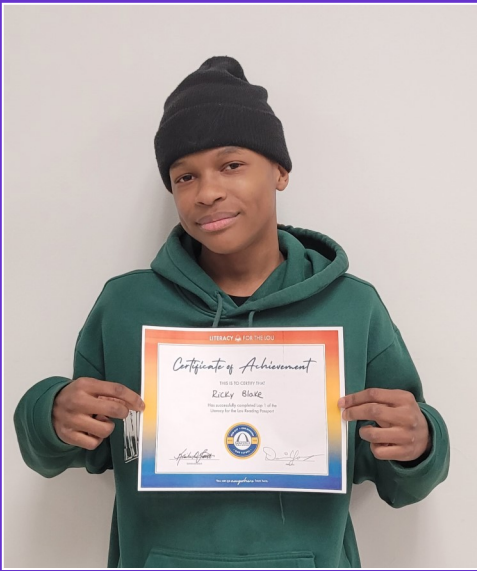


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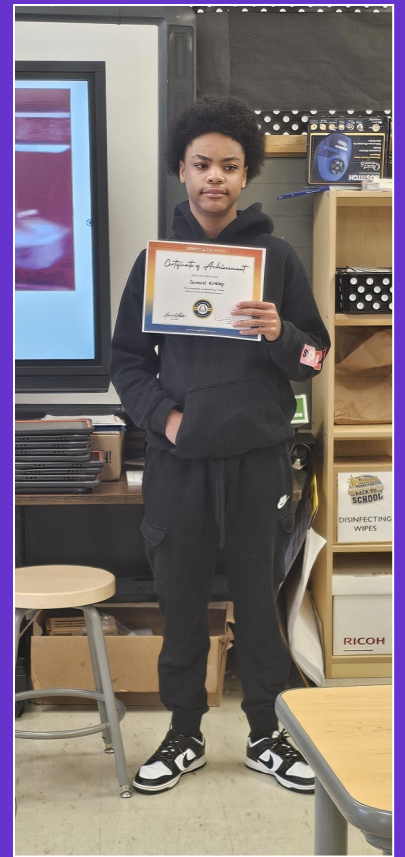
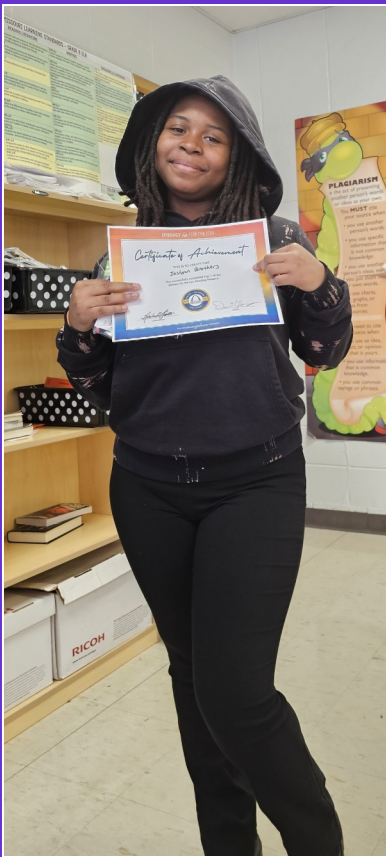
7th Grade ELA Teacher, Ms. Crawford-Bell invited News & Views to document the celebration of literacy in the classroom. Many of her students were awarded certificates for reading success!



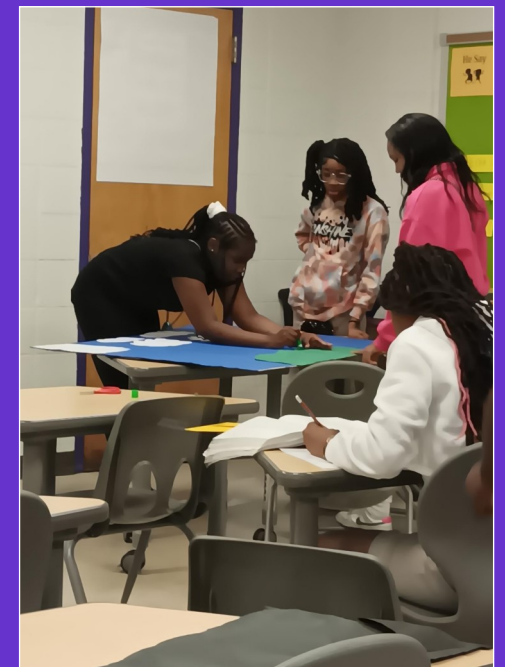
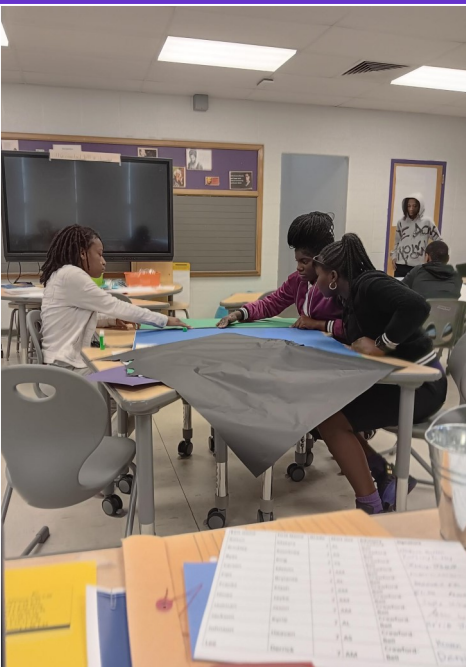
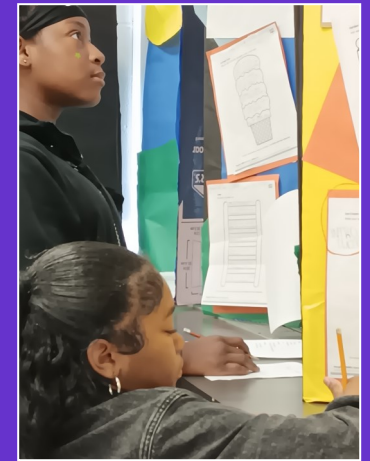
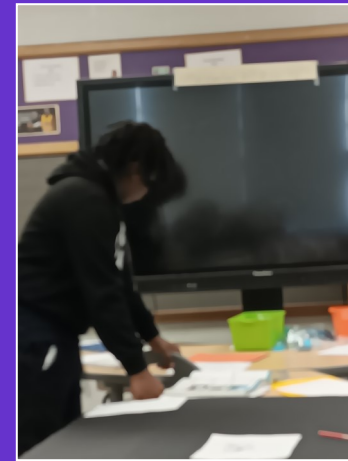
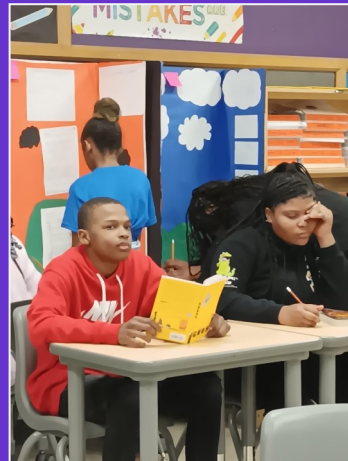
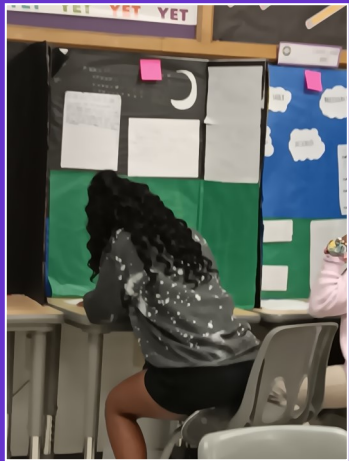
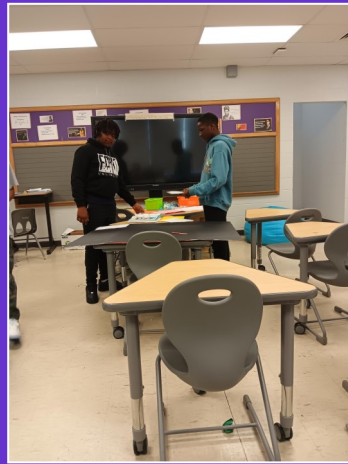




Carr Lane Reading Specialist, Ms. Fenner, also shared photo's of her students' success!







Ms. Crawford-Bell’s scholars working on group projects in ELA. In some of the photos students are doing the peer review via *gallery scavenger hunt*. The topic is “people and the environment” from My Perspectives.

# STAFF VS. STUDENTS!



6th Grade Boys face staff members in Volleyball. Staff members sign waivers for a chance to play against the students. It's a Carr Lane VPA tradition, sponsored twice a year by the Related Arts Team. These particular games took place before Spring Break. The Outcome? The Staff beat every team across all grades and all sports (Volley Ball and Basketball) with the exception of the 7th and 8th Grade Boys' Basketball teams! Next Year!





Skilar coaches Little Tellis to smile.

Mr. Tellis checks-in with 8th Grade score keepers.









# CHOIR & STRINGS!







# FINALE!



# TECH OVERLOAD!



Previewing the Multimedia Presentation in advance of the Spring Choir & Strings Show.



# STEM ON 314!

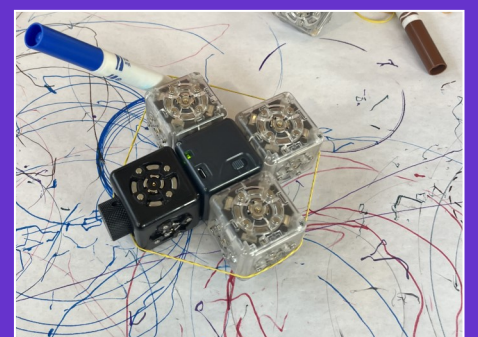
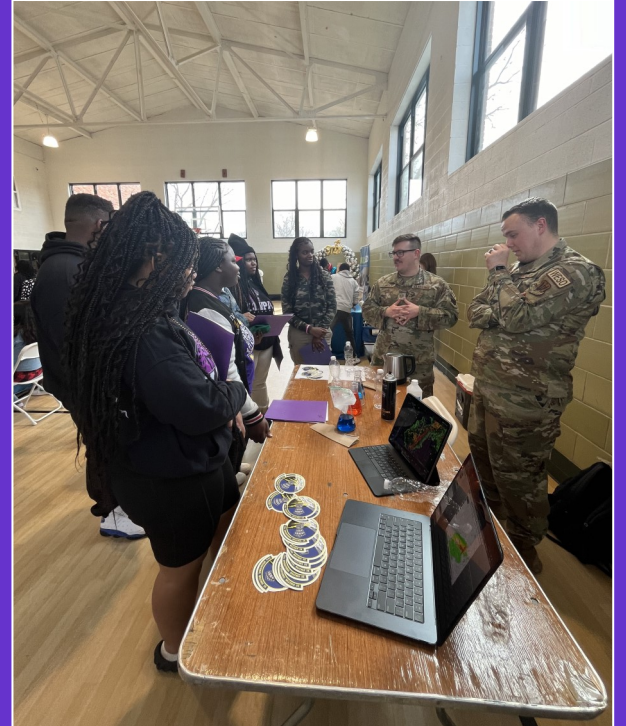


Carr Lane School Counselor , Mr. London took outstanding Carr Lane Scholars on a field trip to celebrate STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) on 314! What a trip!









**MIDDLE SCHOOL  
314  $\pi$  STEM  
DAY**

WITH THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024  
AT  
THE LEGACY CENTER  
10AM - 1:30PM

# ATTENDANCE INCENTIVE!



Mr. Tellis directs students to the Polar Cops truck as they receive a free popsicle or other ice cream treat as a reward for outstanding school attendance. The vehicle is a welcome part of a local, community outreach program.



*The Fine Print:* "In July of 2016, the Metropolitan Police Department unveiled Operation Polar Cops ice cream truck. The truck is operated by the Community Engagement/Organizational Development Division (CEODD) and provides free ice cream treats at various locations throughout the City of St. Louis. The mission of Operation Polar Cops is to cultivate positive interactions between our officers and the citizens we serve." from <https://www.slmpr.org/OperationPolarCops.shtml>

# ***DANCE & ART SHOW!***



Ms. Parker welcomes students, parents and family to the Spring Dance and Art Show on May 8, 2024!



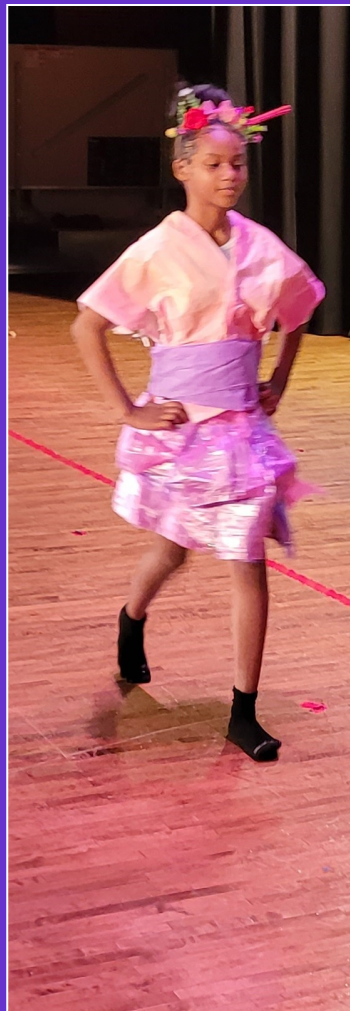










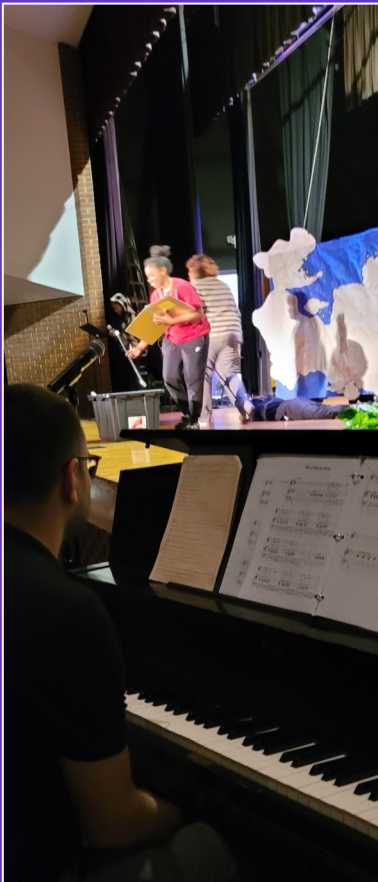


Ms. M. Williams and Ms. L. Williams' students share some of the fashions they created with common items.

# 6th Grade Attends School Play!



May 10, 2024! Performers prepare to take a bow at the close of their performance for the Sixth Grade Classes! The production was the result of a collaboration among select students from Ms. M. Williams' Vocal Music students and students from Ms. L. Williams' Visual Art students. At the conclusion of the play, the performers took questions and comments from members of the sixth grade audience. It was a fun and entertaining time for all.



# 8TH GRADE FIELD DAY!



While the 6th graders were preparing to watch their classmates perform in the theater, 8th Graders were setting-up for their Field Day!





Mr. Avant, CLVPA Student Council sponsor and 8th Grade ELA Teacher, Ms. Garwood are pictured here with Student Council members as the group (along with many other students) embarks on a trip to the St. Louis Zoo!



8th Grade Team Leader, Ms. Shipp directs her students during a practice for the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony set for May 21, 2024 and Ms. Cotton sends a pic of SLPS long-serving veteran teacher, Mr. Dillard. Peace out!

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