

Carr Lane VPA News & Views



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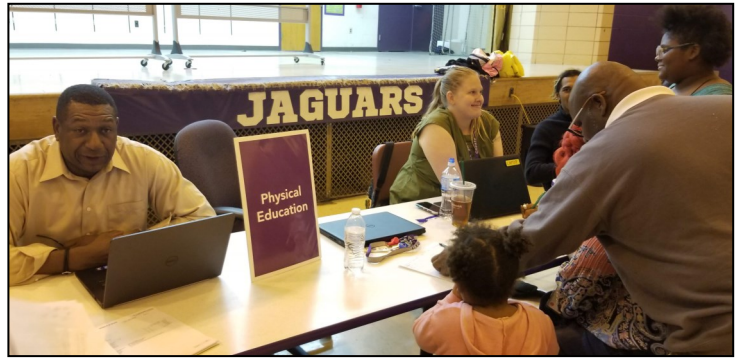
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8th grade Carr Lane VPA students attended the **High School Here We Come** field trip on September 28, 2018. Ms. Jarrell and the 8th grade team took their students to a day-long event at Harris Stowe, where students learned about many opportunities for high school. Representatives of high schools from all across the metropolitan area were on hand. *Photos courtesy of Ms. Jarrell*

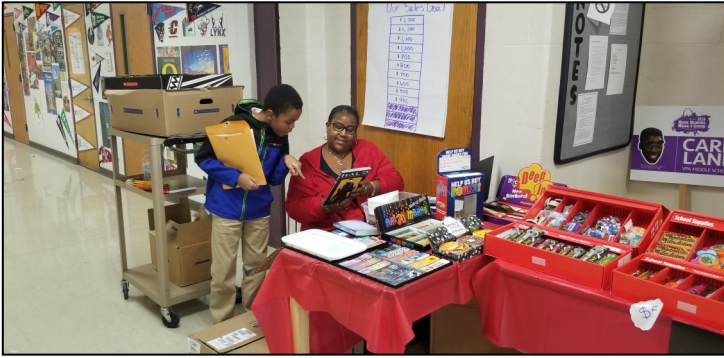


PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

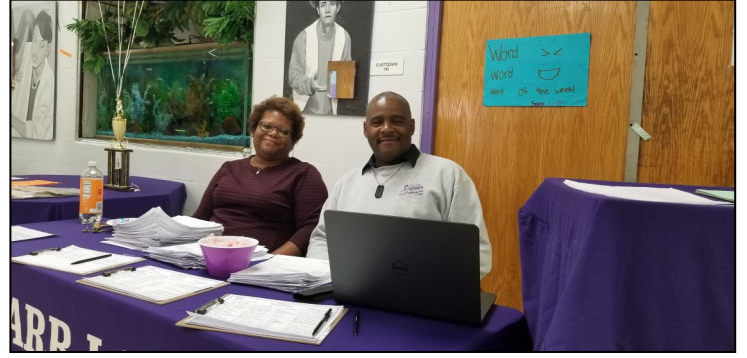
Parents and teachers at Carr Lane VPA have two opportunities to gather together, ask questions, share concerns and celebrate student success. The first set of conferences occur in the fall, the second, in the spring. These pages chronicle the first set, held on Thursday October 18 and October 19, 2018. Hundreds of students and family members attended over the two evening. We look forward to seeing everyone again at the next set of conferences set for Thursday, March 21, and Friday, March 22, 2019!



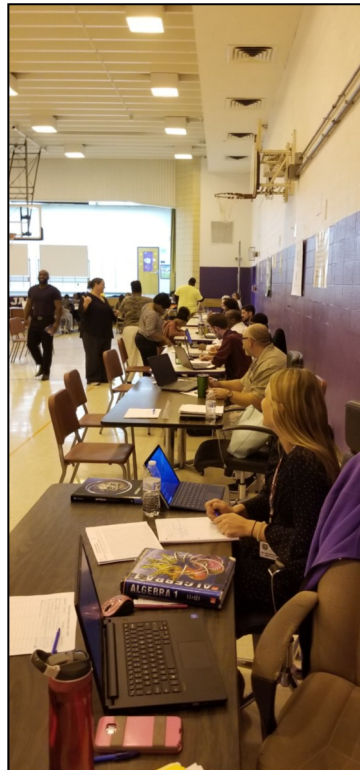
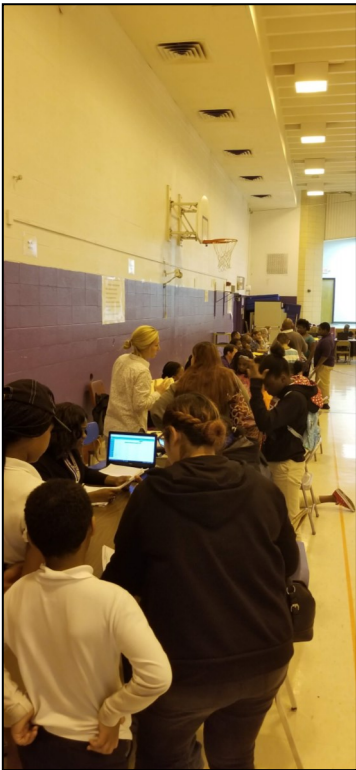
CONFERENCES AND A CARR LANE VPA BOOK FAIR!



Brandon looks at a book with Ms. Williams.



Ms. Abrams & Mr. Phillips greet parents.



Parents and students meet with Carr Lane VPA teachers and staff.



Ethan and his family visit Ethan's Computer Literacy classroom.



Mr. Folkes and Ms. Jarrell.



Assistant Principal, Dr. Baird & Dean of Students, Ms. Vierling.



8th Grade Teachers, Mr. Petty & Mr. Hommowun.

CLVPA 7th GRADE @ EDISON'S!



October 26, 2018: The 7th Grade Field Trip to Edison's Entertainment Complex. Photos courtesy of Mrs. Goode-Lockley



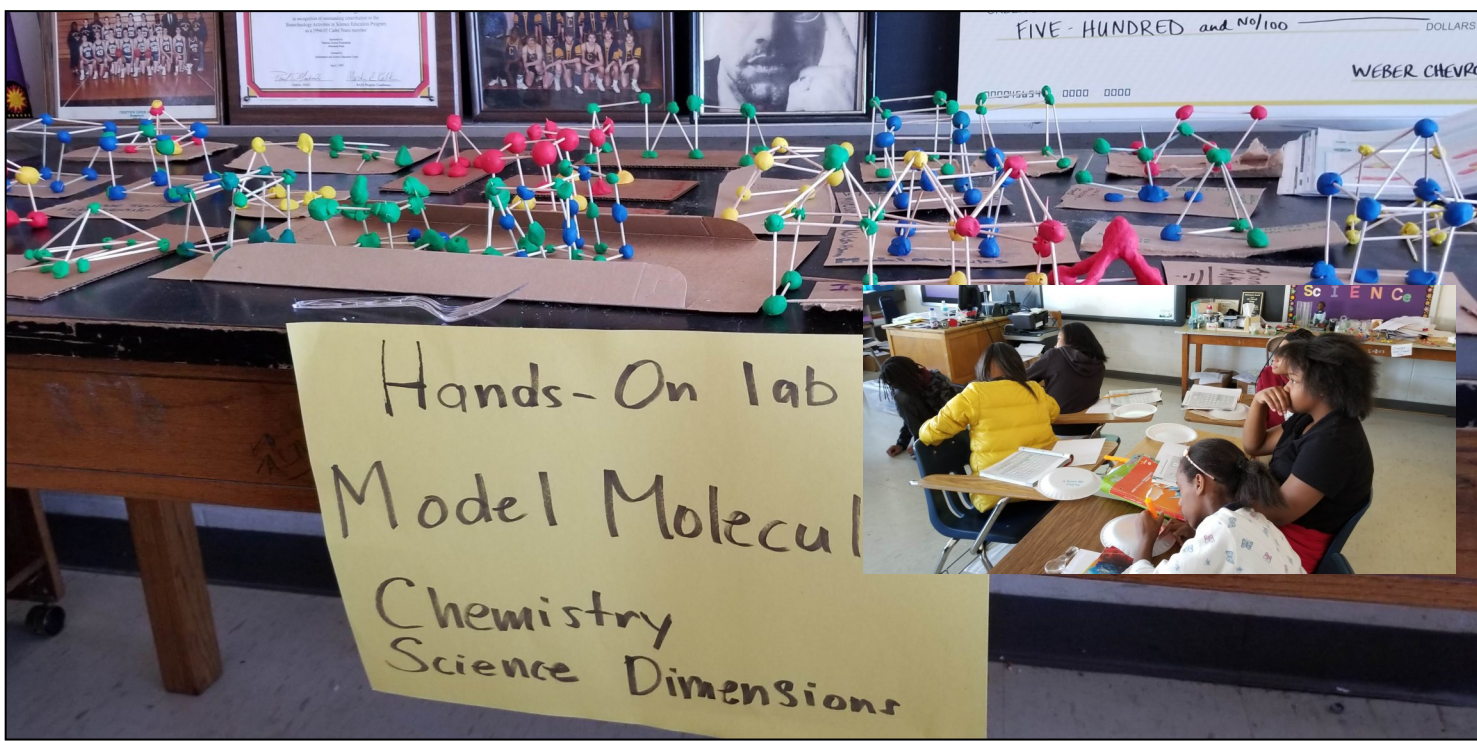
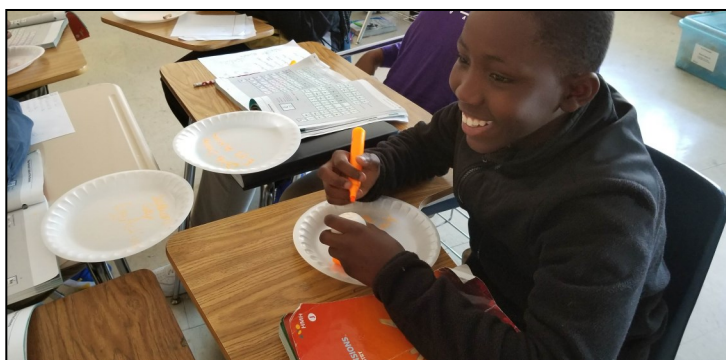
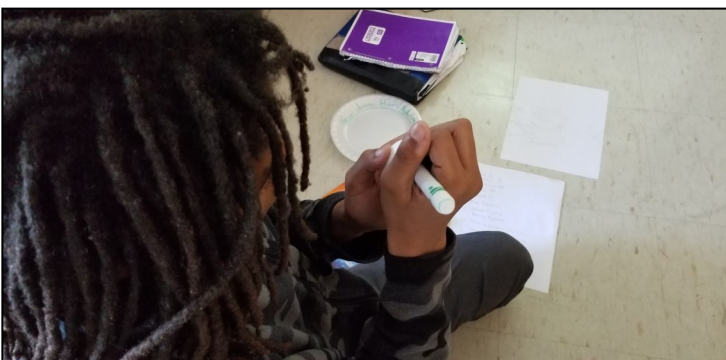
Gonna be a strike, people!



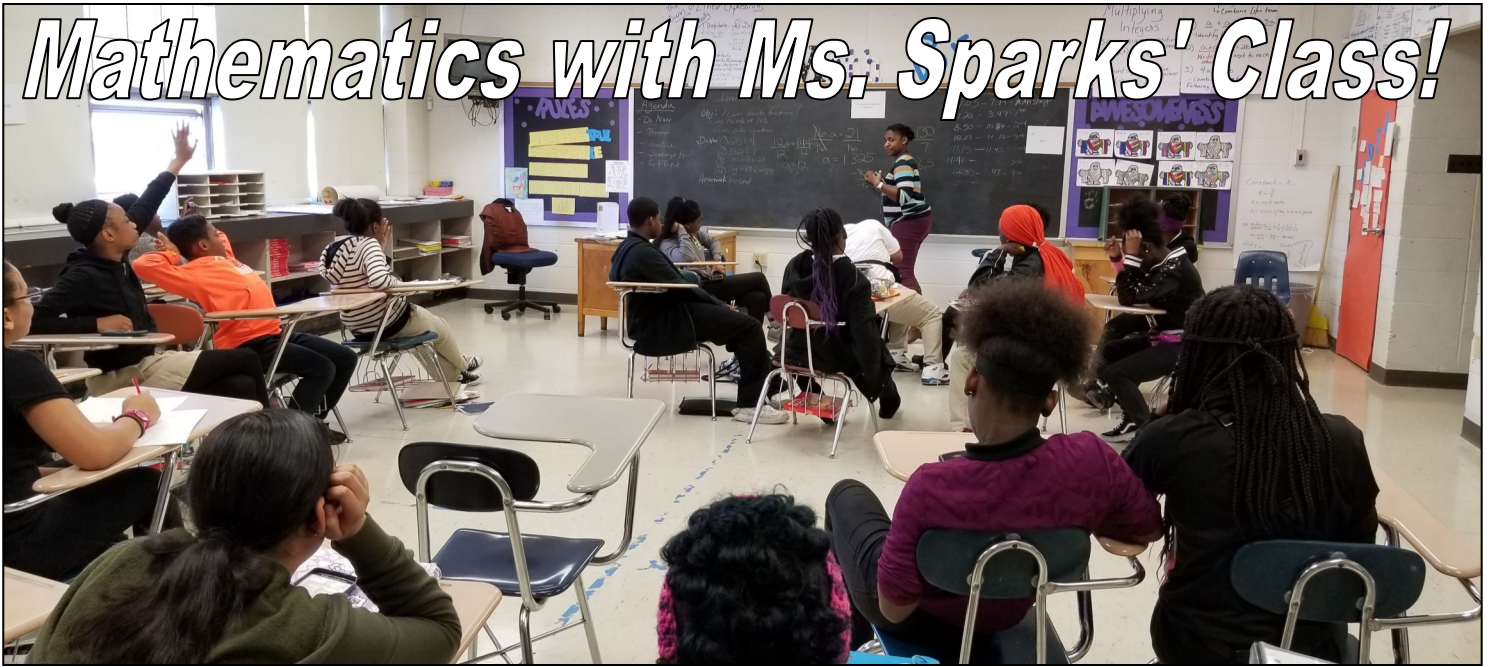
This is one intense ride!



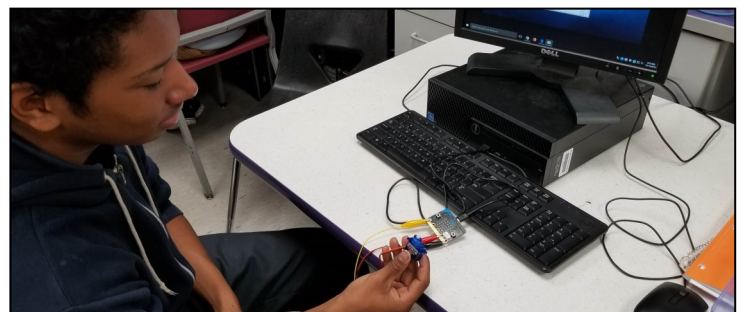
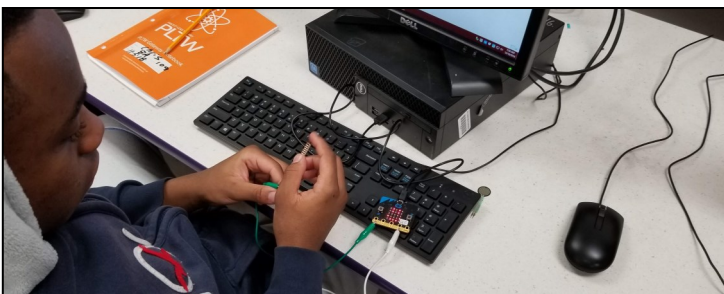
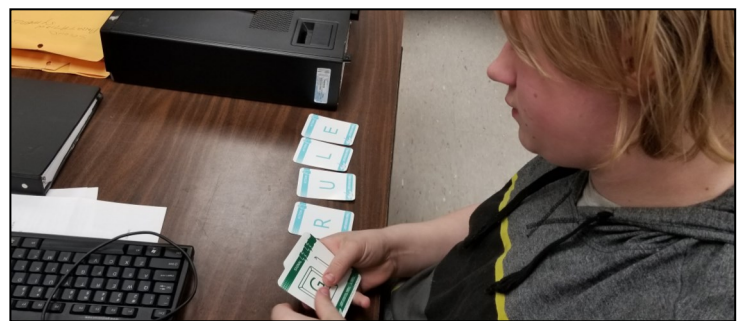
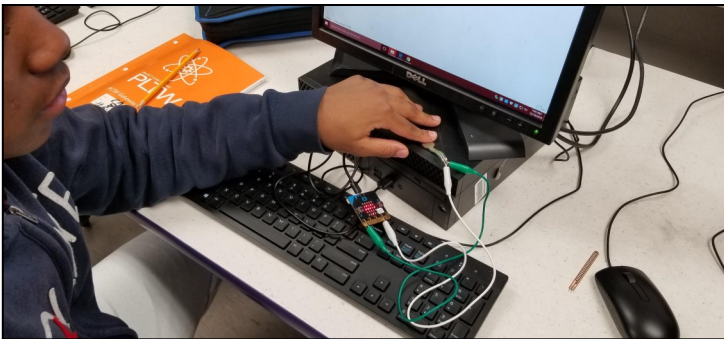
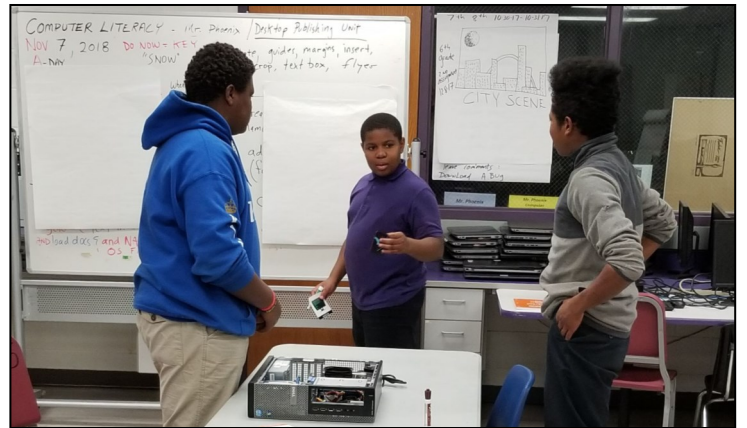
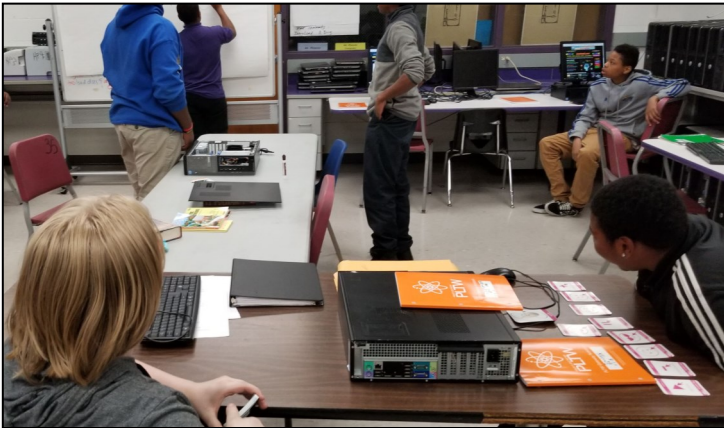
Cracks in the earth's crust! Carr Lane VPA 7th Grade Science Teacher Mr. Young made over a hundred hard-boiled eggs and brought them to school to use as models of the planet earth. The thin egg shell represents the earth's crust, the egg white represents the earth's mantle, and the center of the egg, the yellow yolk, represents the earth's core. Mr. Young had his students crack their eggs and trace the resulting "fault lines" to represent the regions in the earth's crust where earthquakes and volcanic activity are common.



Mathematics with Ms. Sparks' Class!



Computer Science For Innovators and Makers



8A Computer Literacy students learn algorithmic thinking skills, code and program microprocessors, and create devices to solve real-world problems.

5th Grade Recruitment Night



Vocal Music Director, Ms. Williams leads the Carr Lane VPA Concert Choir in a special evening program for 5th grade students and their families. Top 5th grade students from across the district are being actively recruited to join the student body for the 2019-2020 school year. Only students with top academic grades, great behavior, and an interest in the visual and performing arts were recommended to Principal Young. Carr Lane VPA's Mr. Phillips sent invitations and many responded, attending the program from 6:00 to 8:00 on the evening of November 8, 2018. After the show, Ms. Vierling and Ms. Tuggle served dinner to the families in the Cafeteria. Many families turned-out for the event, and Carr Lane looks forward to many of the 5th graders joining the Carr Lane family in 2019!



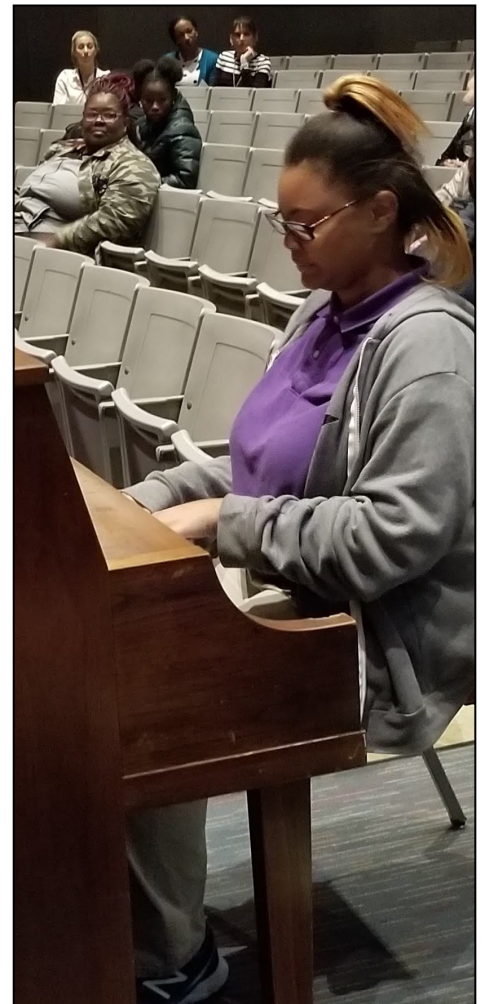
Principal Young welcomes the 5th graders and their parents.



Ms. Gallion and Ms. Grove welcome the guests.



Ms. Andrick leads the Carr Lane VPA Concert Band



Carr Lane's Vocal Music Director, Ms. Williams, had two of her 8th Grade piano students perform solos for the audience. Rayquan and Camryn each did wonderfully!



The Carr Lane VPA Spirit Squad, Cheerleaders and Drumline take the stage!



Mrs. Hopp conducts the Carr Lane VPA Purple Pride Orchestra



CLVPA Guitar Students perform with their instructor from the St. Louis Classical Guitar Society.



Carr Lane Vocal Director Ms. Williams conducts the Carr Lane VPA Choir.



5th grade guests and their families enjoy dinner in the Cafeteria while a presentation created by students from Computer Literacy and showcasing visual art from Ms. Choate's art classes and fall highlights at Carr Lane, plays in the background. Principal Young, Mr. Phillips, and Ms. Vierling were pleased by the strong turn-out and the positive reaction from the 5th grade students and their parents.



The Carr Lane VPA Eighth Grade Dancers perform under the direction of Ms. Parker.



From Mr. Mahr's Drama department, a 6th grade student performs a scene from "Diary of Ann Frank."



Ms. Hill welcomes guests.

VETERANS DAY



Carr Lane VPA celebrated Veterans Day on November 9, 2018. A color guard, and presentations by representatives of the armed forces were just some of the highlights of the program presented to the entire student body in observance of the national holiday.



The Cleveland NJROTC HS Color Guard.



Denice shares the story, "What is Veterans Day?"



Following the Assembly, Carr Lane provided lunch for its guests.



Students listen attentively while members of the various branches of the military describe the opportunities and challenges of service.



8th grade piano student Rayquan accompanied the Computer Literacy Veterans Day Slide Presentation with his own, moving interpretations of “Amazing Grace” and “Glory.”



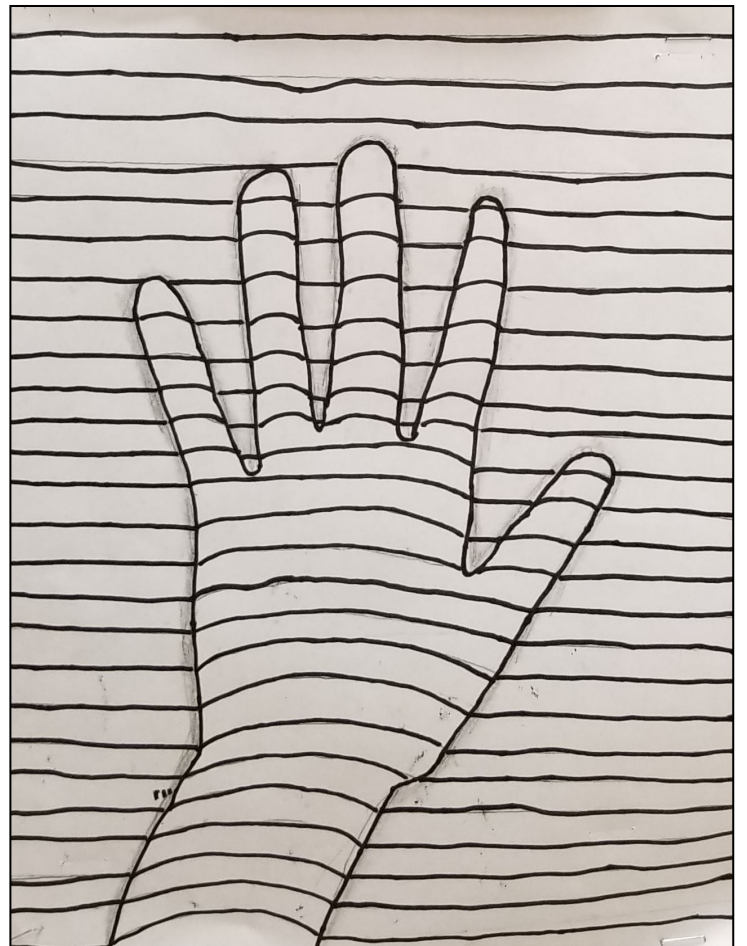
A United States Marine shares his experience with the students.

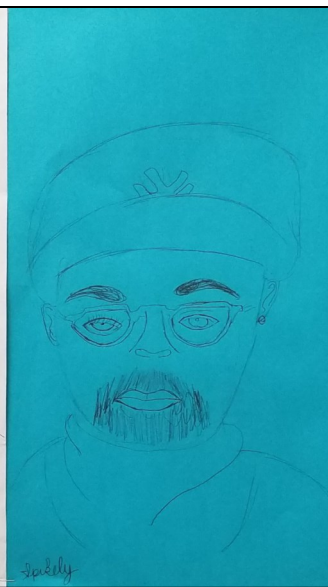
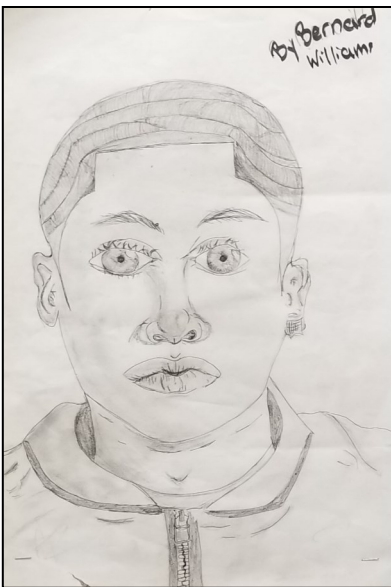
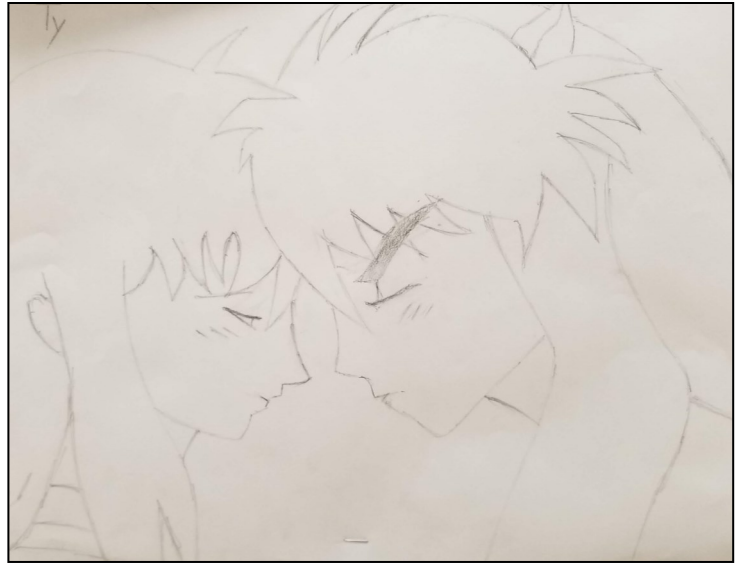
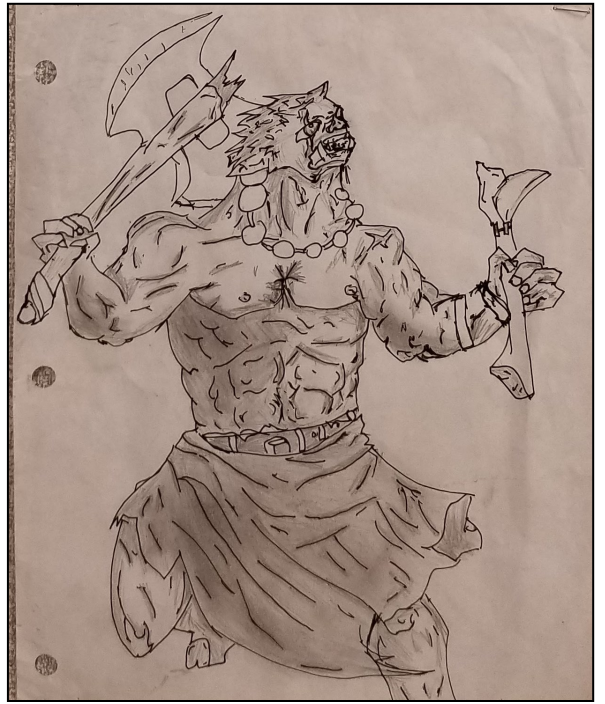
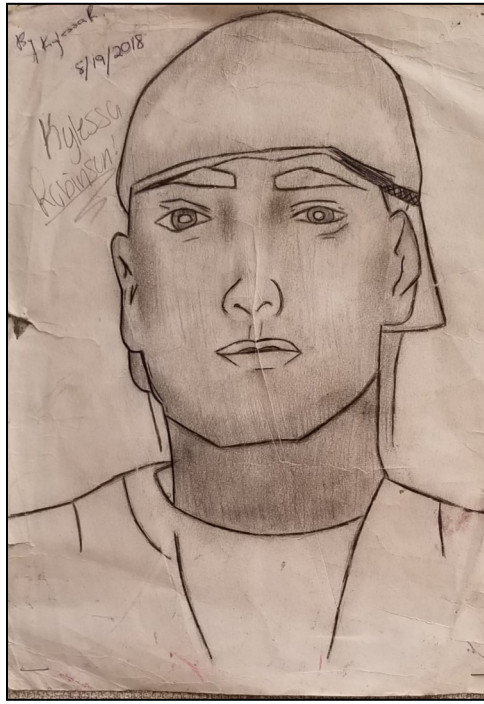
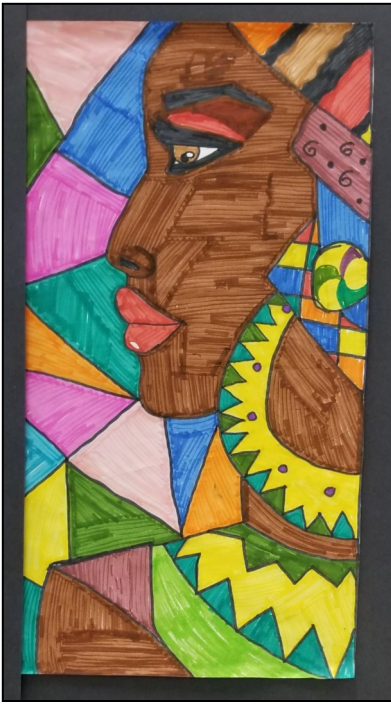


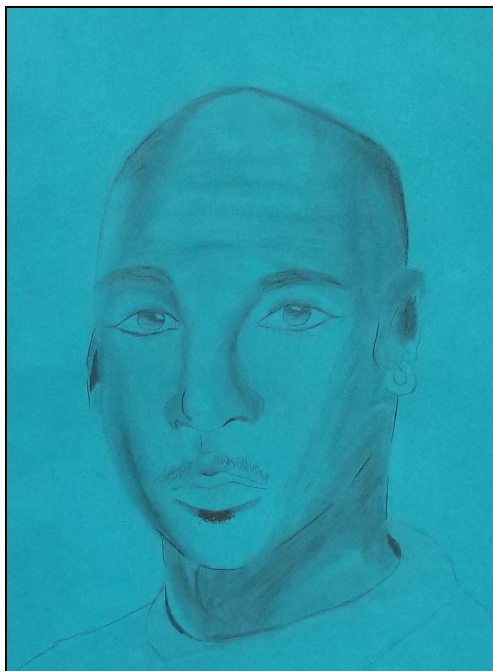
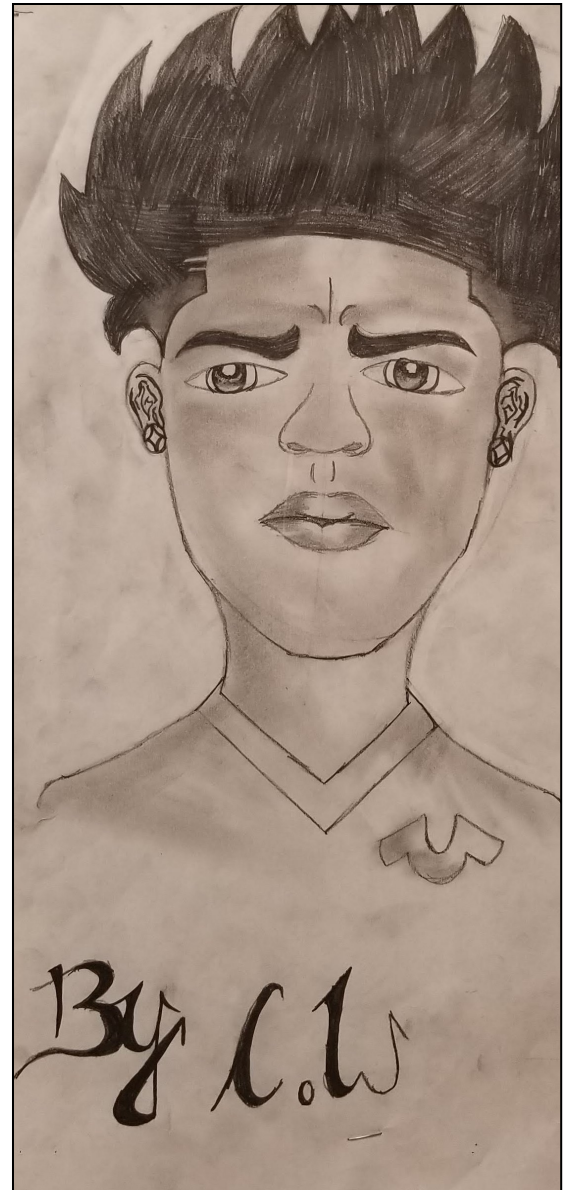
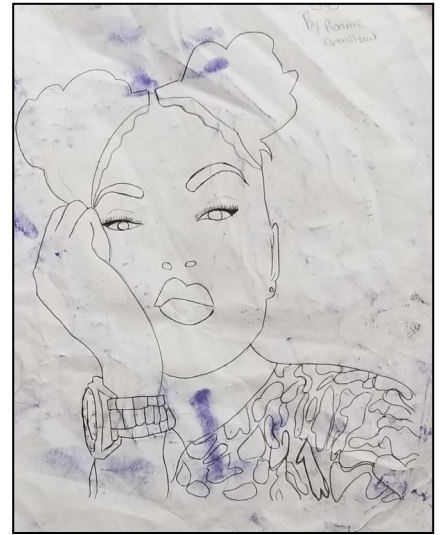
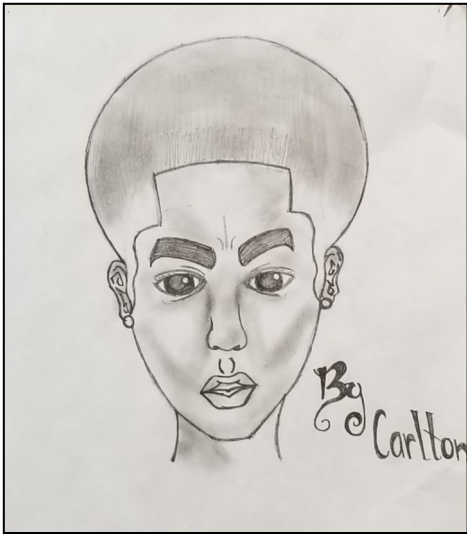
Program cover art for Carr Lane VPAMS Celebrates Veterans Day 2018!
Thanks to Mrs. Goode-Lockley for organizing the event!

VISUAL ART

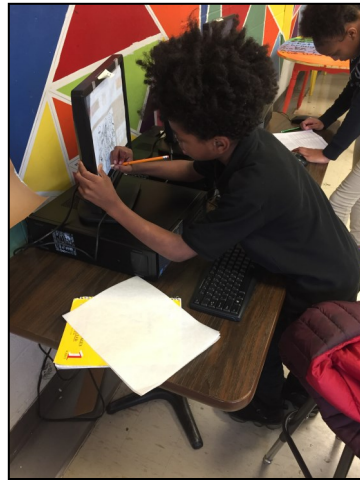
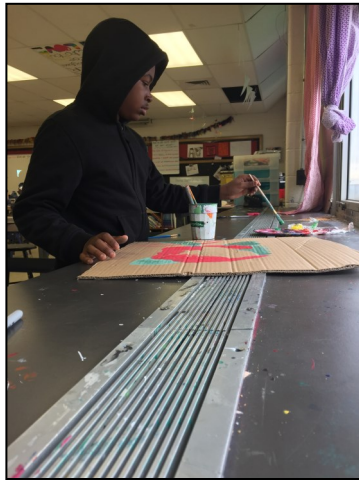
The “V” in Carr Lane Visual and Performing Arts Middle School! Carr Lane VPA’s Art Teacher, Ms. Choate and her students have been busy this year creating all sorts of artwork. You can see their installations on the 2nd Floor and around the building, in addition to some of the multimedia presentations put together by the Computer Literacy classes. On the following pages are some recent photos of artworks created by Ms. Choate’s current art students and some by former Carr Lane VPA student, Carlton!







And who was "C.W.?" Carlton graduated from Carr Lane VPA last year and is now a freshman in high school. He was quite the artist!



Students at work with Ms. Choate!

VPA FACULTY VISUAL ART!



Faculty artwork. Ms. Choate invited faculty to submit and display artwork which they had created. **From Top Left:** Ms. Sparks offered an impressionistic painting and some metal work. Mr. Hommowun offered a self-portrait. Dr. Phoenix turned in a pen-and-ink he did in high school in 1972! Ms. Choate displayed a portrait showcasing pointillism, and Mr. Mahr turned-in a multi-media poster!!!



The Carr Lane VPA Family gathers to celebrate at a Spirit Assembly on November 30, 2018!



The Carr Lane VPA Drumline under the direction of Mr. Phillips, brings it to the house!



Coach Fox introduces the members of the winning, Carr Lane VPA Boys' Basketball team!



The Drumline!



Coach Love and Coach Petty take the stage.



The winning, Carr Lane VPA Girls' Basketball Team!

Round and About CLVPAMS



Carr Lane VPA Students of the Month! The best & brightest from the Fine Arts Department. “Students of the Month” for October and November. In this shot, in no particular order, are top students in Computers, Art, Dance, Band, Strings, Vocal Music and P.E.!



Carr Lane VPA Drama Teacher, Mr. Mahr and members of the drama club practice after school and learn elements of technical theater, including lights, sets, and stage management.



A group of 8th Grade students prepare for their day-long field-trip to Jefferson City as part of the youth in government program.



Better Family Life! The Carr Lane VPA Drumline and Spirit Squad were spotlighted in this Wiley Price photo appearing in Vol. 90, No. 36 of the St. Louis American. Carr Lane VPA was well represented on November 20, 2018 at the Scottish Rite Theater in St. Louis when over 2,500 students turned-out for Better Family Life’s annual Teen Empowerment Rally! Way to go!

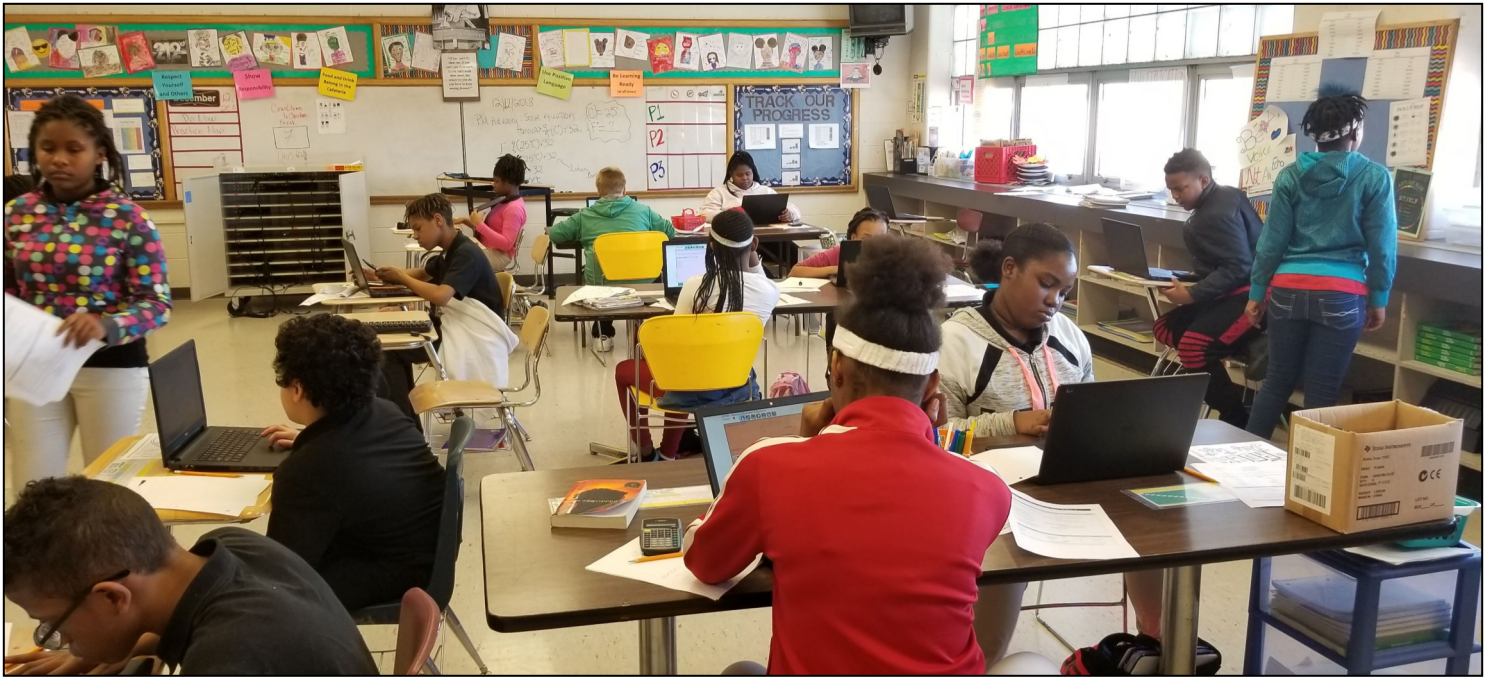
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Art Teacher, Ms. Choate, stands-in for a photo as she decorates the Carr Lane VPA stage in preparation for the 2018 Winter Show.



So long, Ms. Kozak! We will miss you! The 8th Grade Team, led by Ms. Jarrell and members of the Carr Lane VPA administration, including Assistant Principal Baird and Principal Young, turn out in the early morning on Wednesday, December 5, 2018. Ms. Kozak has completed her student teaching, working with Ms. Jarrell and her students throughout first semester.



Sixth Grade students hard at work in Ms. Bouvatte's Mathematics Classroom on Wednesday, December 12, 2012!



Dressing up and down in support of Red Ribbon Week!





Amber Studebaker is a 1999 graduate of Carr Lane VPA Middle School. She is a dance director at DaySpring Arts & Education in Maryland Heights, MO and she and her troop of young performers brought the world famous Nutcracker Ballet to the stage at Carr Lane. Carr Lane students and staff were treated to their dress rehearsal performance on the afternoon of December 7, 2018. It was a great presentation of a classic story told in dance!



Happy Holidays!

See you back here at Carr Lane VPA
Monday, January 7, 2019!

Have a safe, warm, and restful Winter Break!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

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| Dec. 13, 2018 | Carr Lane Winter Show |
| Dec. 18, 2018 | Piano and Guitar Recital |
| Dec. 20, 2018 | Last day of class for students
Staff Christmas Party |
| Jan. 7, 2019 | Students return to school
First day of third quarter |

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