

Jael Blockton, a junior on the Varsity team, serves the ball.



Photo by Jordon Green.

# Gateway Goods

September 2024

Gateway STEM G Volleyball Schedule Fall 24

Date	Time	Home	Away	Location
8.24.2024	4:30	Miller CA	Gateway STEM	Miller CA
9.03.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Gateway STEM	Soldan	Soldan
4-Sep-24	4:30/5:45	Lift for Life	Gateway STEM	Lift for Life
9.05.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Roosevelt	Gateway STEM	Roosevelt
9.9.2024	4:30/5:45p.m.	Afton	Gateway STEM	Afton
9.10.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Gateway STEM	Vashon	Vashon
9/11/2024	4:30/5:45	Handcock	Gateway STEM	Handcock
9.12.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Sumner	Gateway STEM	Southwest
9.17.24	4:00/5:15 p.m.	Maplewood Richmond Hights	Gateway STEM	MRH
9.19.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Collegiate	Gateway STEM	Southwest
9.24.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Metro	Gateway STEM	Metro
9.26.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Gateway STEM	McKinley	McKinley
10.01.2024	4:30/5:45 p.m.	Gateway STEM	Miller	Miller
9.28.2024	TBD	PHL Varsity Conference Tournament	PHL Varsity Conference Tournament	Vashon
10/3-4/24		Lift for Life Tournament	Varsity	Lift for Life
10.5.2024	TBD	PHL JV Conference Tournament	PHL JV Conference Tournament	Vashon
10.9.2024	4:45/5:45	Gateway STEM	Sumner	Southwest
10/10/2024	4:30/5:45	McClure North	Gateway STEM	McClure North
10.11-12.2024	4:30	Miller CA Tournament	Gateway STEM	Miller CA
10/14/2024	4:30/5:00	Crossroads Prep	Gateway STEM	Crossroads Prep
10/15/2024	4:15/5:30	Bishop Dubourg	Gateway STEM	Bishop Dubourg
10/17/2024	4:15/5:45	U City	Gateway STEM	U City

# Volleyball

## Gateway Girls Volleyball Fights Hard in 2024-25 Season Opener at Lift for Life Despite Tough Loss

In an exciting volleyball match, Lift for Life triumphed over Gateway STEM in three hard-fought sets. The teams showed determination and grit, but Lift for Life managed to secure the overall victory.

The first set was a nail-biter, with Lift for Life narrowly edging out Gateway STEM, 15-13. However, Gateway STEM bounced back with a solid performance in the second set, winning 10-15 to even the score.

In the decisive third set, Lift for Life took control early and never looked back, dominating Gateway STEM with a final score of 15-3 to seal the match.





Top: Hasani Kelley serves ice cream at Clementine's Creamery.  
Bottom: Alexis Sarau rings up customers at the Foot Locker.

Photos by Colette Morton.

# Balancing Books and Paychecks



## High School Students Juggle Work and Education

Many high school students take on part-time jobs to earn extra money, gain work experience, and develop independence. Juggling schoolwork and employment can be challenging.



Grace Arriaga, a senior works every night from 5-10 at UPS.

"I get about four hours of sleep," she confessed. "By the time I fall asleep, it is 12 am."

When asked what she wanted her teachers to know, she stated, "I am so tired."



Top: Cameron Brewer works part time at St. Louis Bread Company.  
Bottom: Jackson Paiz works the register at QuikTrip.

Photos by Colette Morton.





Top: Chasity Sherwood-Wilson works at Schnucks after school to earn extra money.

Photo by Colette Morton.



A woman with glasses and a striped shirt is sitting on a swing in a sensory room. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. The room has a green floor with colorful mats and blue walls. There are blue and red structures in the background.

# CANDACE TAYLOR

Teacher's Vision  
Becomes Reality:  
Sensory Room  
Brings Calm and  
Focus to Gateway  
STEM Autism Wing

Photo by Colette Morton



Candance Taylor had a vision. She wanted a special place where her students could feel a sense of calm. Synapsory wanted to help. They invited Taylor to a gala where she raised \$12,000 for the development of a sensory room in the autism wing at Gateway STEM High School. The sensory room, designed by Taylor and leader of Synapsory, Terrie Desloge, to provide a calming environment for students on the autism spectrum, has already made a significant impact.

"I have seen a decrease in behaviors," Taylor explained to me last week. She added that students "find it calming and comfortable," and noted that they appear "more focused, calmer, and enthusiastic when they come out."

This initiative reflects Taylor's dedication to enhancing learning environments and improving student well-being at Gateway STEM. The room is located in the Gateway Michael School on the ground floor of Gateway STEM.

# Empowered by THE Synapsory







# NEW COLLEGE ADVISER JOINS STAFF TO SUPPORT STUDENT SUCCESS

In an exciting development for students and staff, Mr. Nieghl Johnson (seen above with Hodan Yusuf) has joined the school as a second College Adviser. Mr. Johnson will focus on students with last names A-K, while his colleague, Ms. Cowen, will continue to support students with last names L-Z.

Though Johnson is eager to introduce himself to teachers and students. In a message shared with staff, Mr. Johnson expressed his enthusiasm for meeting the school community.

Mr. Johnson will primarily target senior and junior classes for his presentations in the month ahead, but teachers of first-year and sophomore students are also welcome to invite him to speak to their classes. His goal is to familiarize students with the resources and guidance available to them as they plan for their futures.

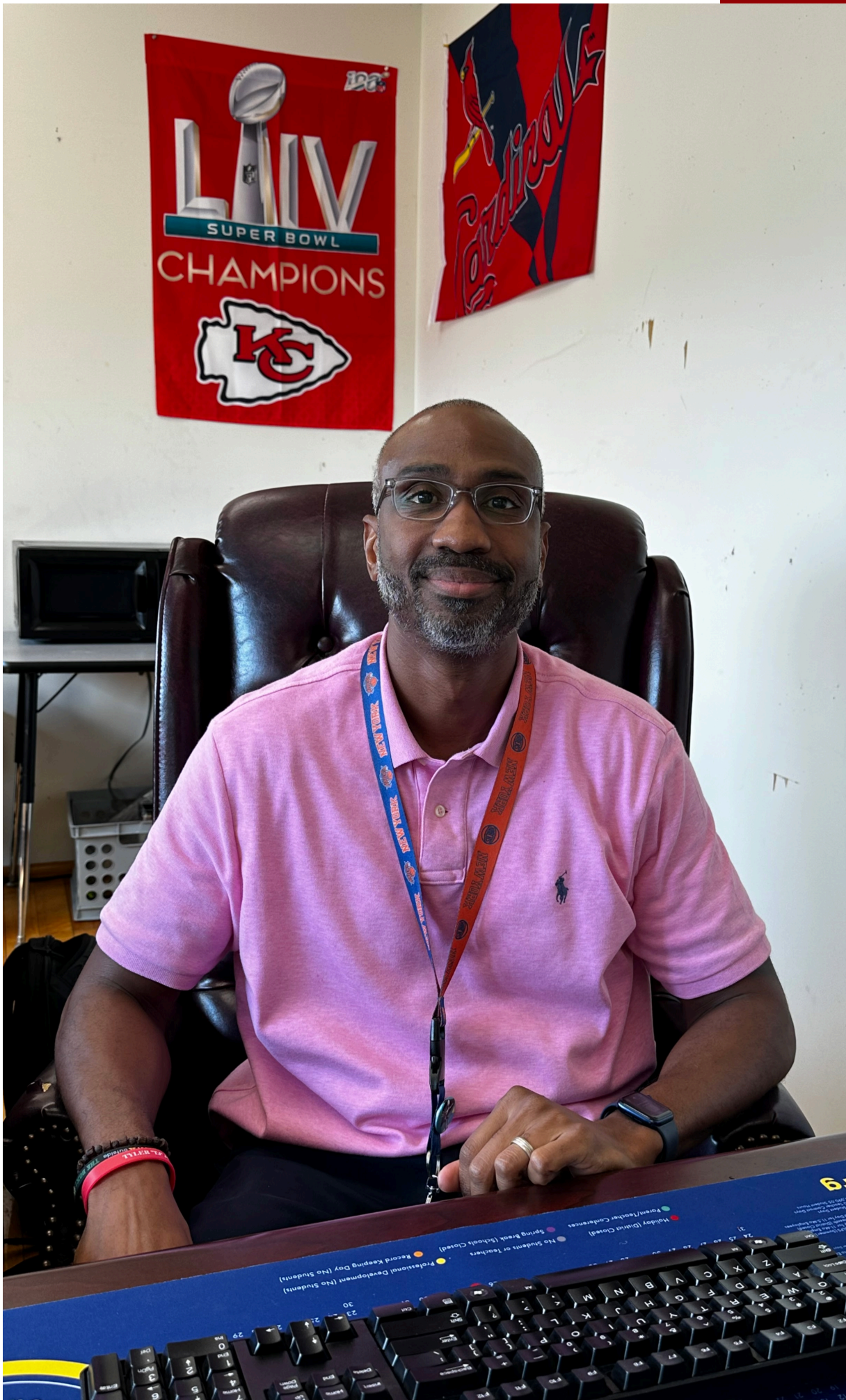
Stay tuned for more opportunities to meet Mr. Johnson and learn how he can help students succeed in their post-high school journeys.

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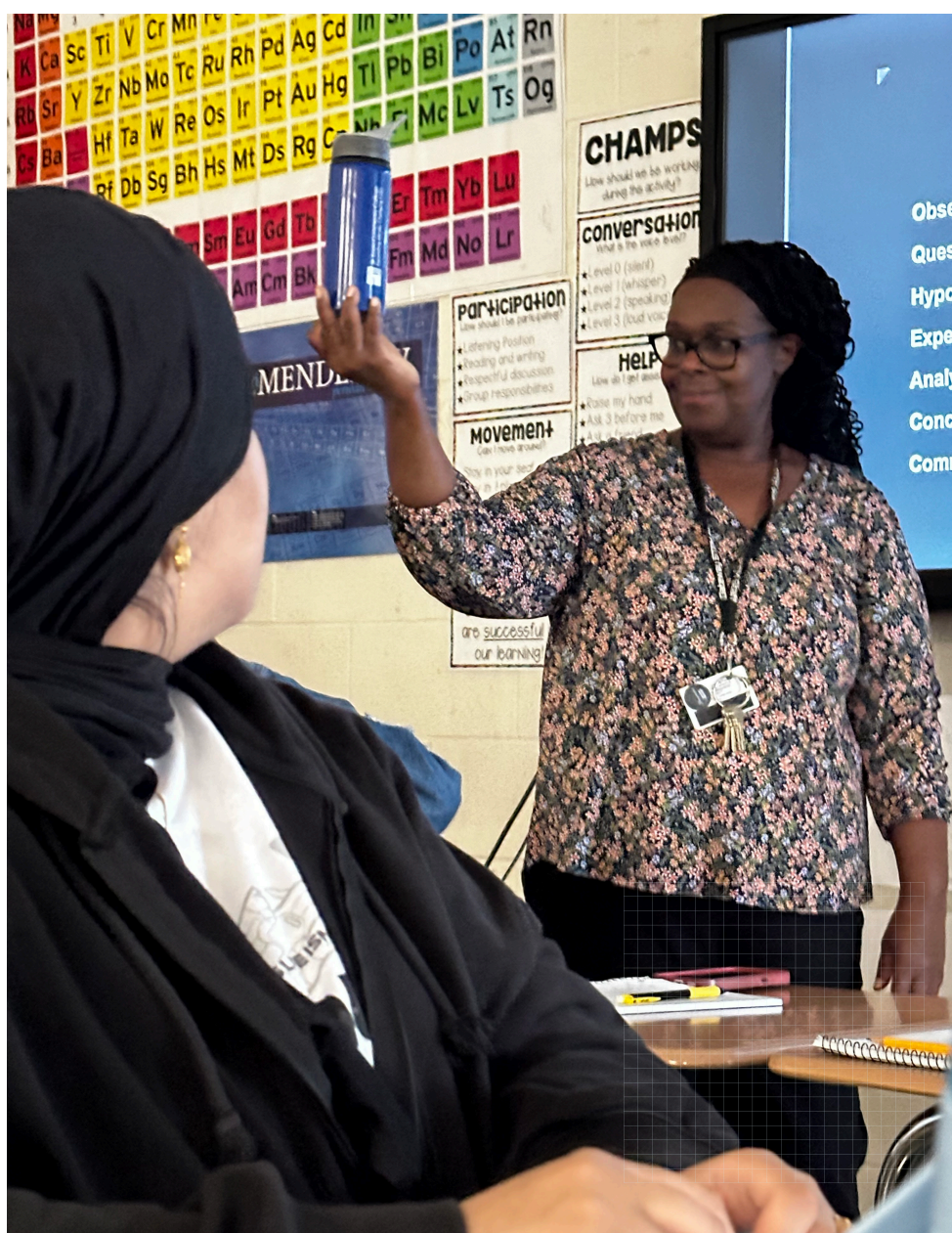


**Terrence  
Watkins**  
**AIC**  
Academic  
Instructional  
Coach

**WELCOME**







# SCIENTIFIC METHOD

## with ANNONCIATE KAGARAMA

Top: Farah Alhussainy listens to Annonciate Kagarama explain the scientific method. Bottom: Erica Little and Alhussainy take notes.

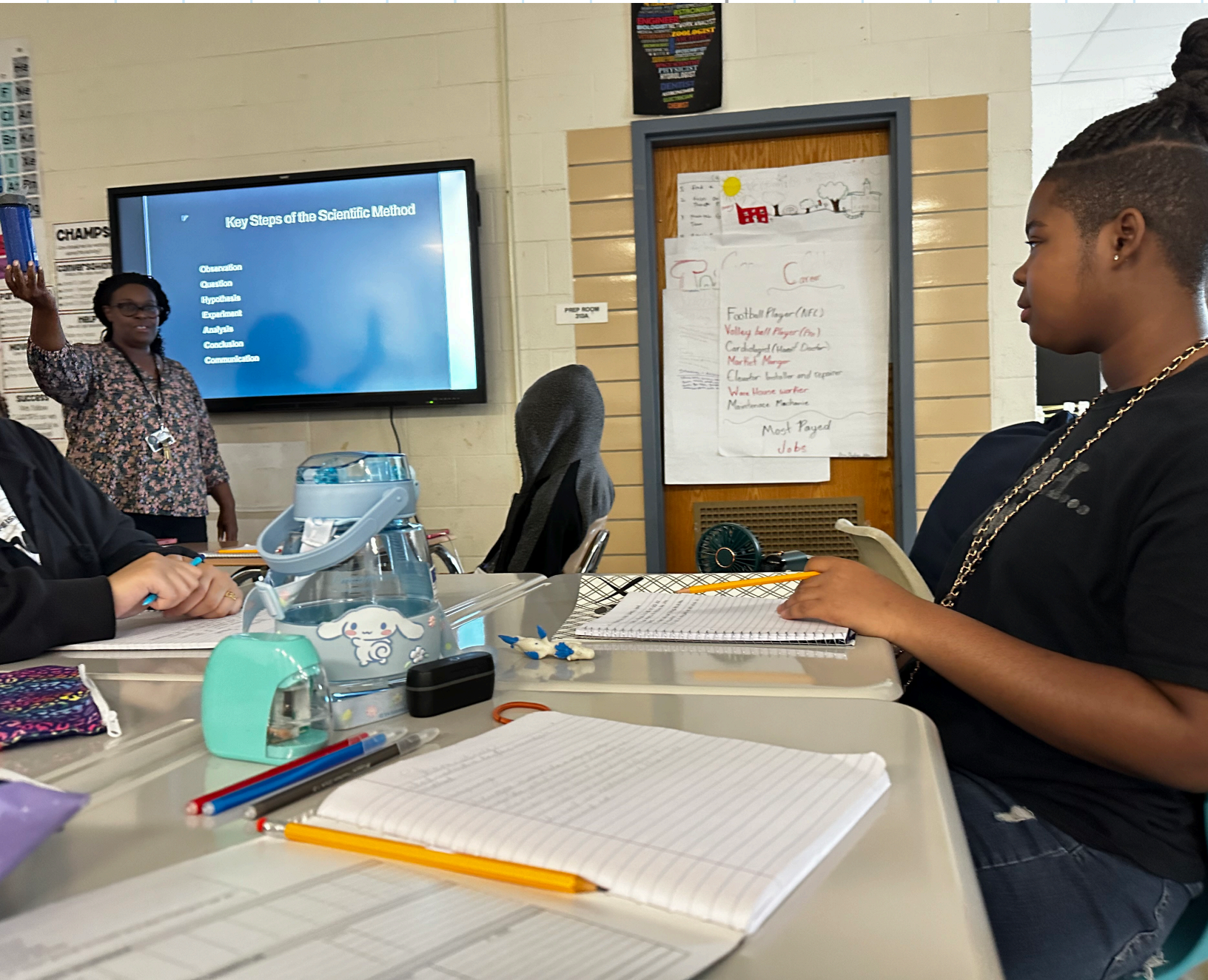
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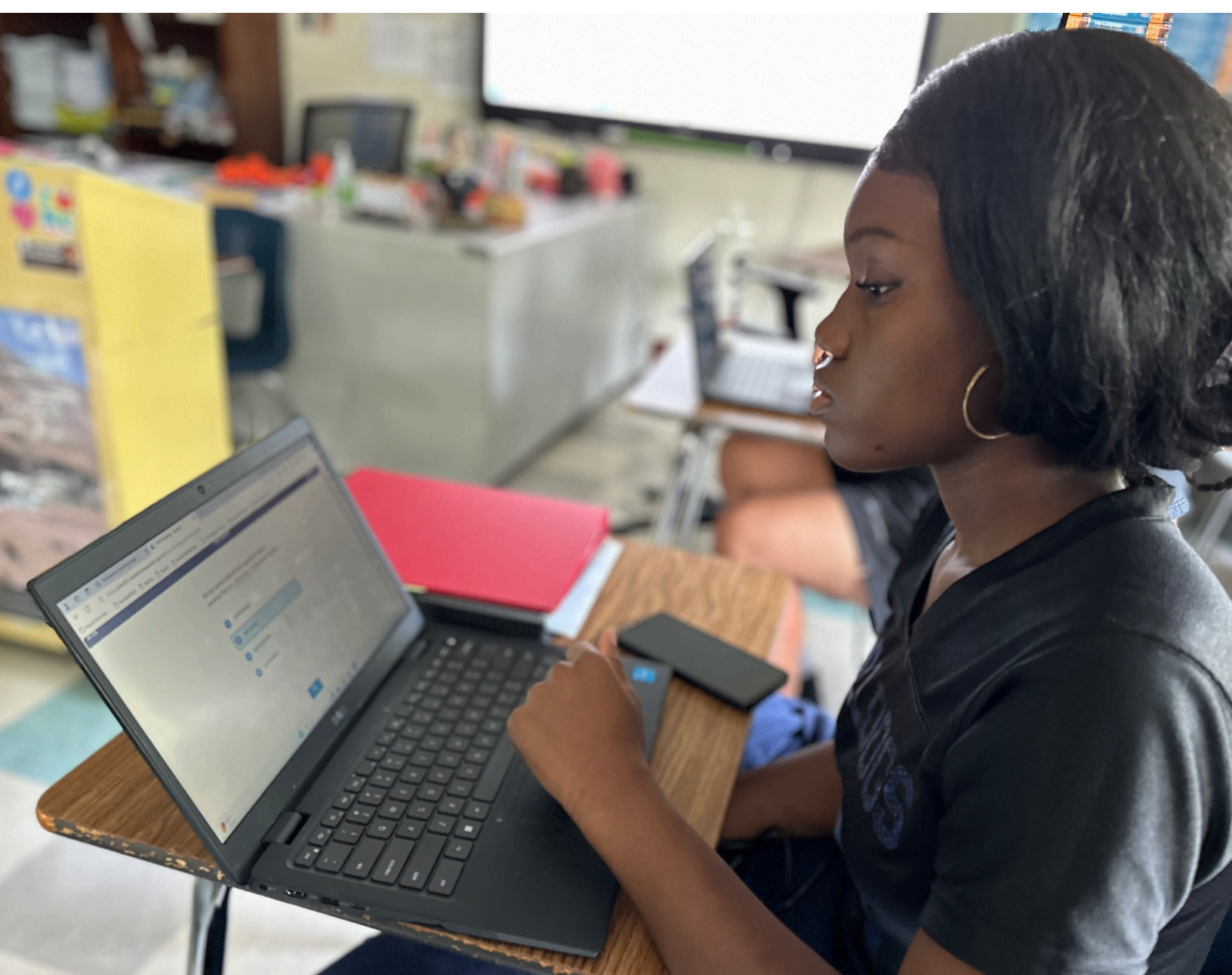
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Below: Detreasure Moore listens to Kagarama's explanation.



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# RENAISSANCE **Star** Reading

In today's data-driven educational environment, assessing student progress is essential for personalized learning. Renaissance Reading Testing plays a crucial role in helping teachers gauge students' reading comprehension and skill levels. These assessments provide detailed insights into a student's reading ability, allowing teachers to tailor instruction to meet individual needs.

Yae Kumeh (seen above) and Javion Jones (seen to the left), both juniors, took the test on Thursday, August 29th. Renaissance's targeted approach helps students like them boost reading skills, foster a love for reading, and ensure that all students progress at a pace that matches their unique learning styles. Moreover, Renaissance assessments are instrumental in tracking progress over time, making them a key tool for both teachers and parents to ensure that children stay on the path to literacy success.

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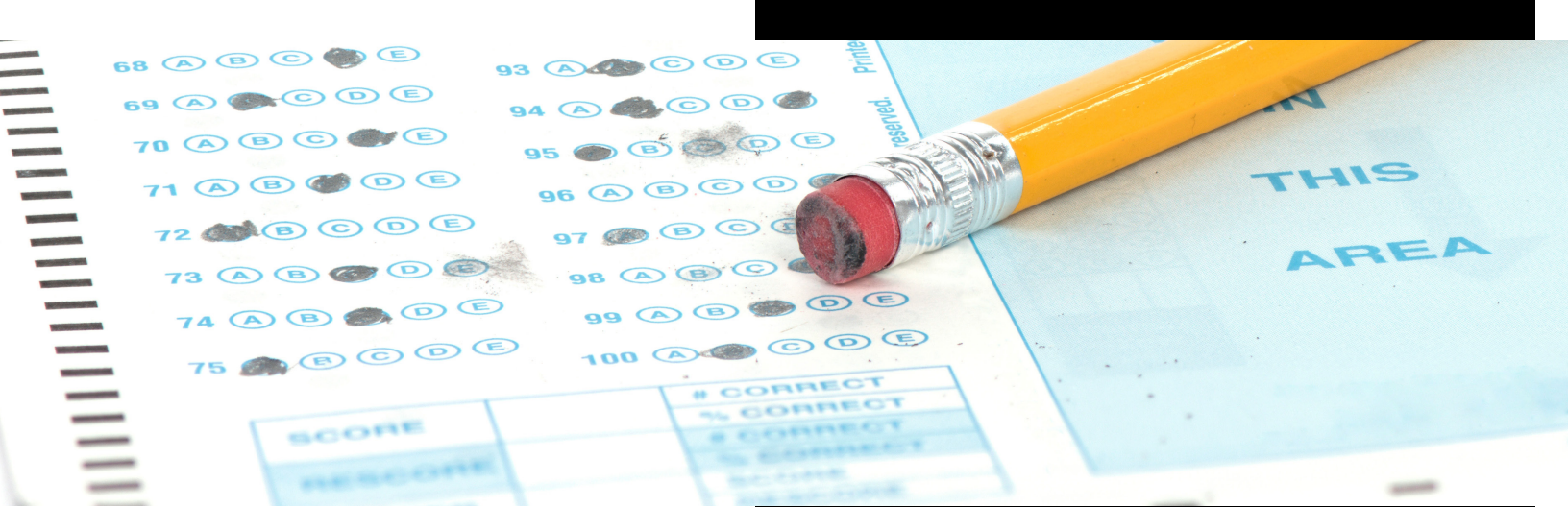




# JROTC *recycles*

Dwayne Kennell, Ferus Tesfe, Kalan Berry, and  
Kamarrea Hall recycle for JROTC.





# Need Help with the ACT?

See **Mr. Mitchell**  
every **Tuesday** in  
room starting  
**September 3rd** from  
2:10 to 5:00 p.m.  
Students who are  
playing school  
sports or who have  
their own  
transportation do  
not have to stay the  
entire time!



**Savion Day**



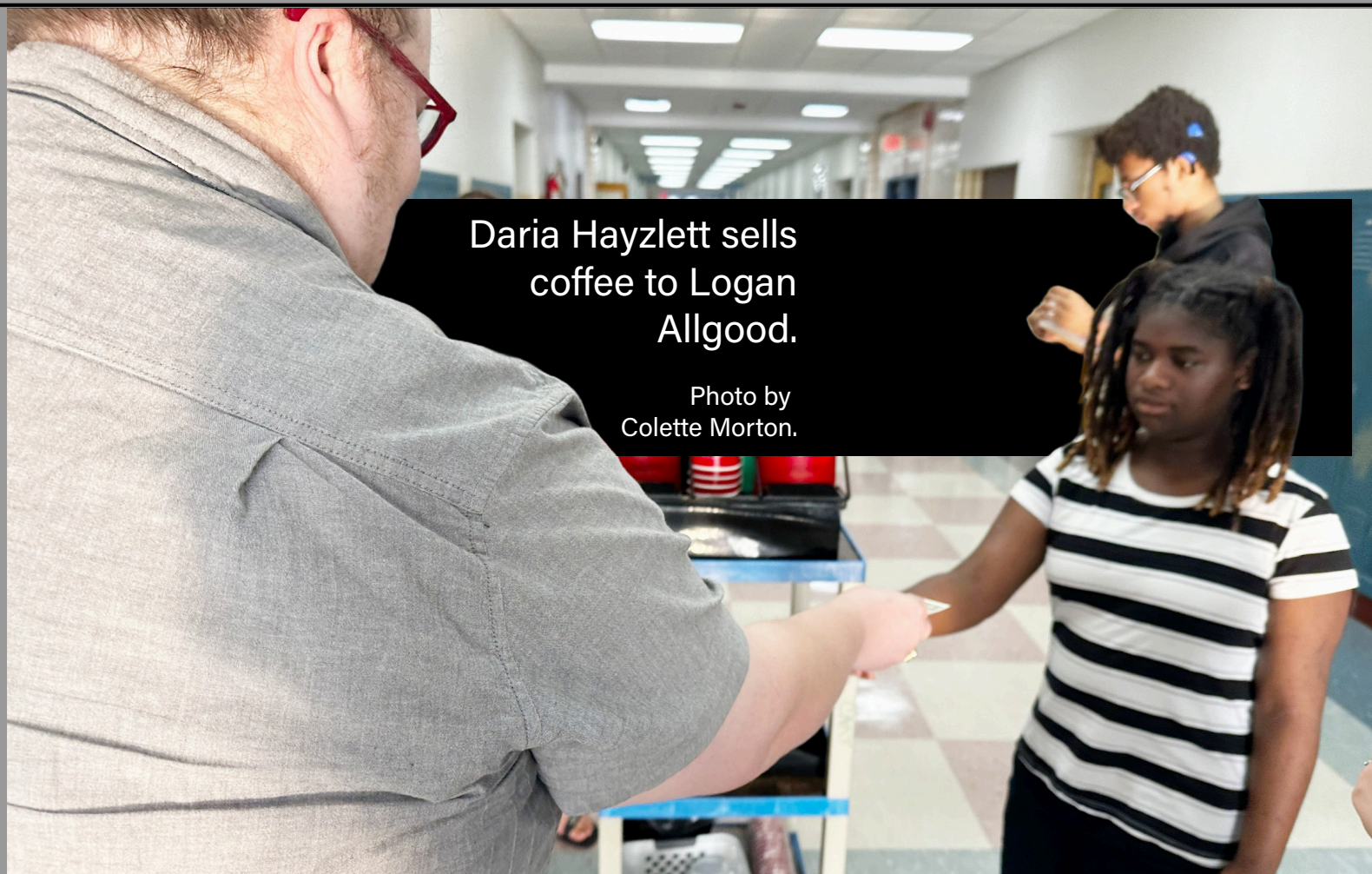
**ACT 21 Club**



# GSTEM Jags Coffee Cart Menu & Prices

Coffee: \$2.00  
Coffee in Your Own Cup: \$1.00  
Hot Chocolate: \$3.00  
Black Tea: \$2.00  
Iced Coffee  
(French Vanilla & Mocha): \$3.00

# WAIT! NEED COFFEE FIRST



Daria Hayzlett sells  
coffee to Logan  
Allgood.

Photo by  
Colette Morton.



# September EVENT SCHEDULE



## Voter Registration

See Felicia Hampton in room 424 E.

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## Drive in Pool Party

Watch a movie on the football field!!!

# Spirit Week

Monday - Pajama Day

Tuesday - Twin Day

Wednesday - Decade Day

Thursday - Teacher/Student Swap Day

Friday - Spirit Day

23-27

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## Pep Rally!

## Gateway V Crystal City

7:00 pm @ Gateway High School

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## Submissions!

Did you take an awesome photo you would like to see in the newsletter? Send your submissions to Colette Morton at [colette.morton@slps.org](mailto:colette.morton@slps.org)

Is there an event that is coming up that you would like to see in the newsletter?

Let me know!

## SCAN FOR TICKETS

