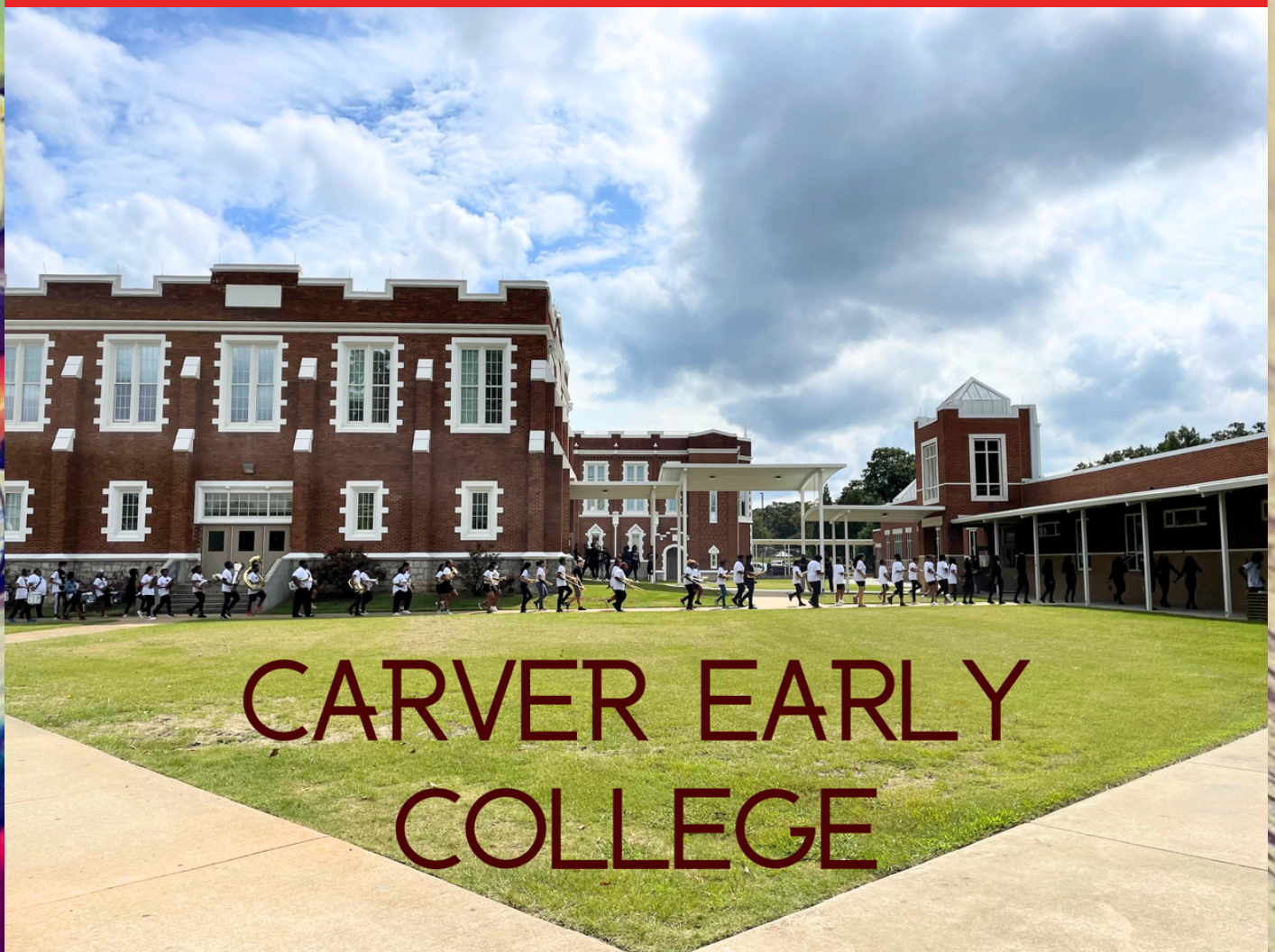


Panther Family News

2024-25, Issue 9, February 24, 2025



From our Principal

Greetings Early College Families,

Welcome back from Winter Break! As we settle into the second half of the year, I want to remind everyone that testing season is fast approaching. We are counting on our scholars to excel and achieve scores in the Proficient and Distinguished categories. To support this effort, tutorial sessions are available every Tuesday through Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. We encourage all scholars to take advantage of these sessions to maximize their success.

Additionally, we are reinforcing our uniform policy. Several scholars have been out of compliance, and we need your support to ensure they are following the expectations. Safety is a top priority, and maintaining uniform compliance helps create a secure and focused learning environment. Hats, hoods, headphones, and cell phones are not permitted in the building or instructional settings.

To boost literacy proficiency, we are also asking scholars to engage in independent reading at home each night. Along with this, we are focusing on writing across all content areas to strengthen critical skills.

As always, we appreciate your ongoing support and partnership as we continue preparing our scholars for success in college, career, and life.

Make it a great day!

Warm Regards,
Dr. Christina Rogers
Principal, Early College

Upcoming Events

February is Black History Month, School Celebrations displayed below

March is Women's History Month

Thursday, February 27, ACT and Pre-ACT Day at CEC, 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Friday, February, 28, TEENS OVERCOMING PRESSURE Summit including cash awards for Essay Contest

Winners (see post below for more information about essay contest)



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These dates are also on our [School Event Calendar](#) on our website.

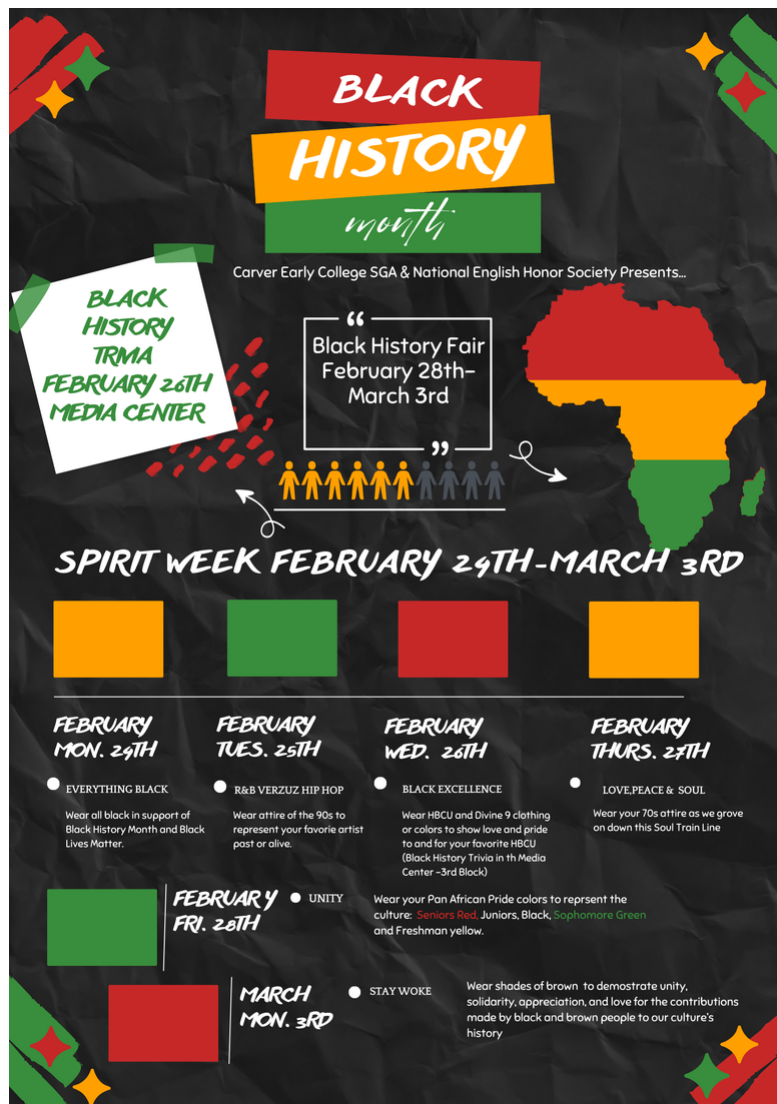
The Board-approved Student Calendar for academic year 2024-25 is attached to this newsletter for download (scroll to bottom) and is also available in on the [district website here](#).

**CARVER EARLY COLLEGE SGA &
NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY**

CELEBRATING...

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**SPIRIT WEEK
FEBRUARY 24TH - MARCH 3RD**



Student Spotlights

Itavia McCord wins Posse Scholarship

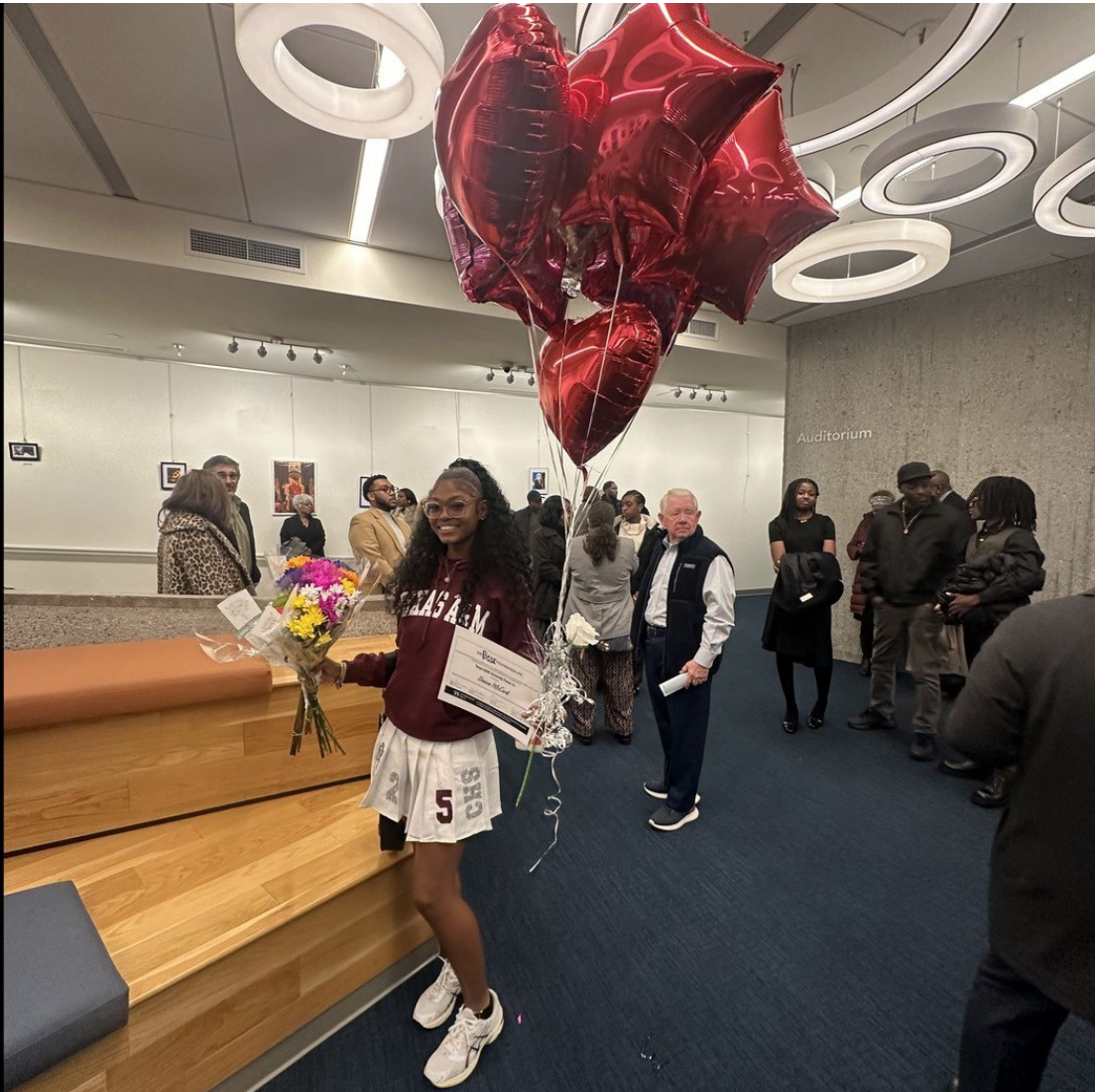
Each year, the [Posse Foundation](#) awards their prestigious scholarship to high school seniors in a select group of 20 U.S. cities, including Atlanta.

Through a highly selective process, a limited number of students with leadership potential are selected to receive full tuition to one of the partner institutions.

For 2024, 12 APS students received the Posse Scholarship, one of whom is our own Carver EC senior Itavia McCord. Itavia will receive full tuition to Texas A&M in the fall and plans to major in Psychology.

We are so proud of Itavia for this outstanding accomplishment!

NOTE: Our Carver News Team interviewed Itavia for this week's News Show. The links to our news shows are provided in our newsletter below. We encourage all families to subscribe to our weekly



Promise Newton Wins 1st Place in the Stock Market Game

EC Senior, Promise Newton, won **FIRST place of over 200 APS High School students** who played the Fall 2024 *Stock Market Game* --a fun learning program sponsored by the [Georgia Council on Economic Education](#).

Promise and her teacher, Mr. Dunston, received gift bags donated by the Atlanta Hawks!

Each Fall and Spring, Mr. Dunston teaches the Stock Market Game. Students learn how to research companies and then decide where and how to invest thier play money.

Congratulations!

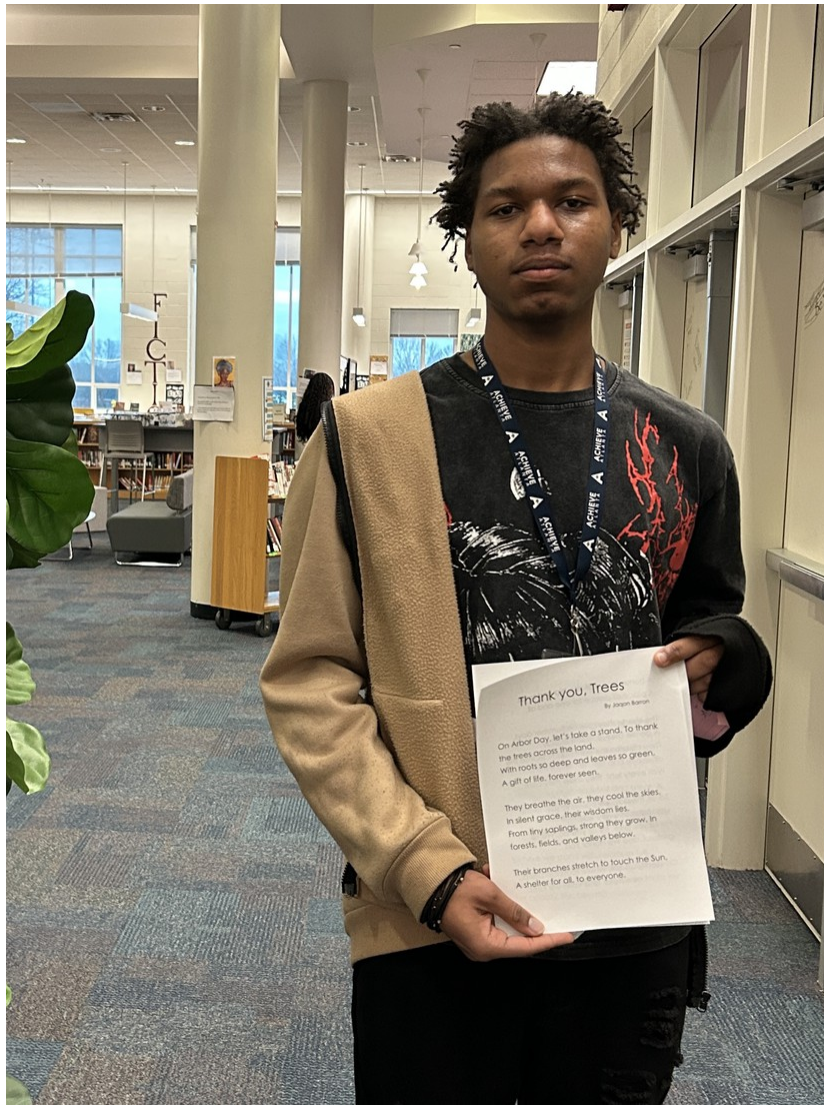




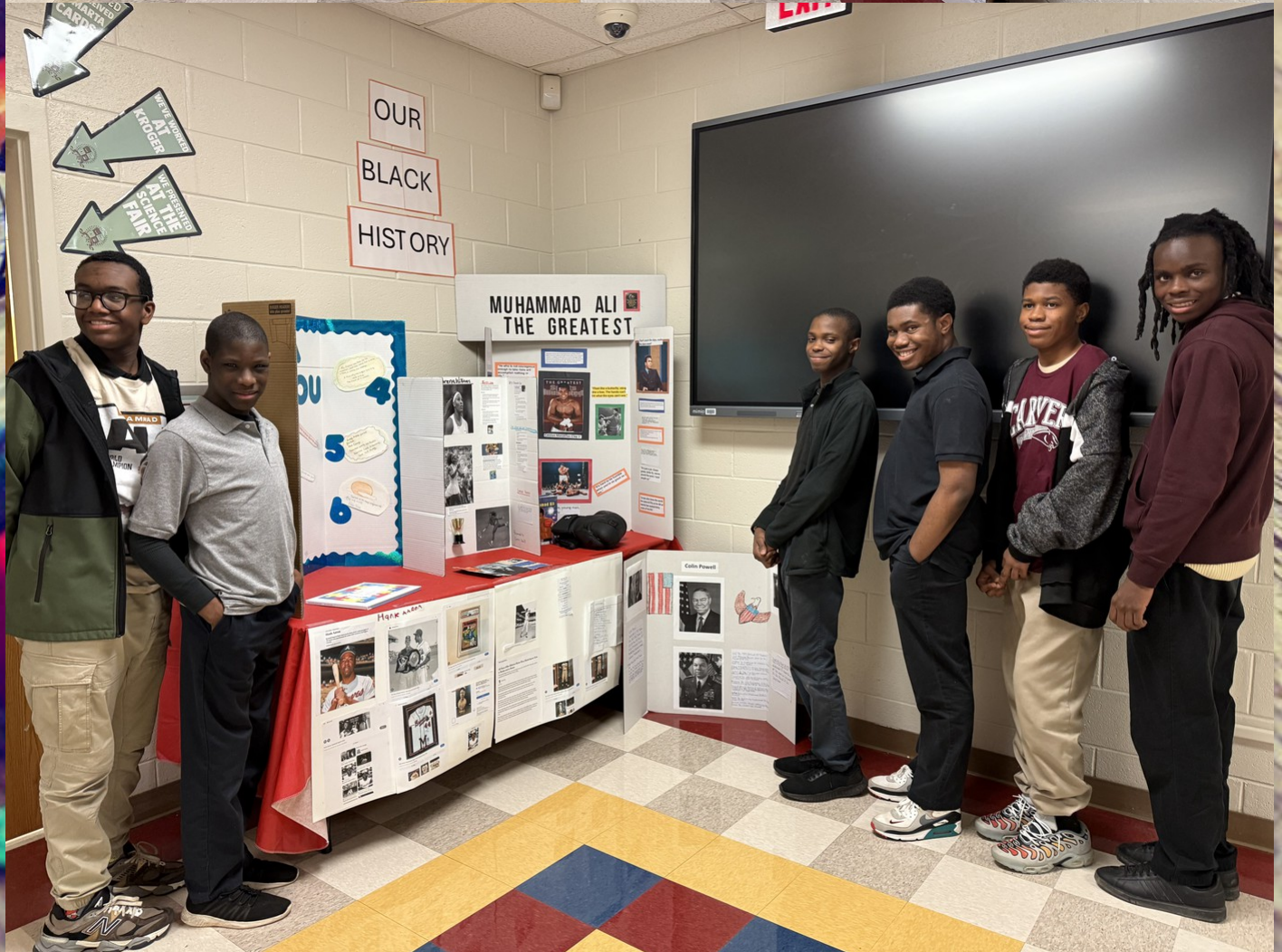
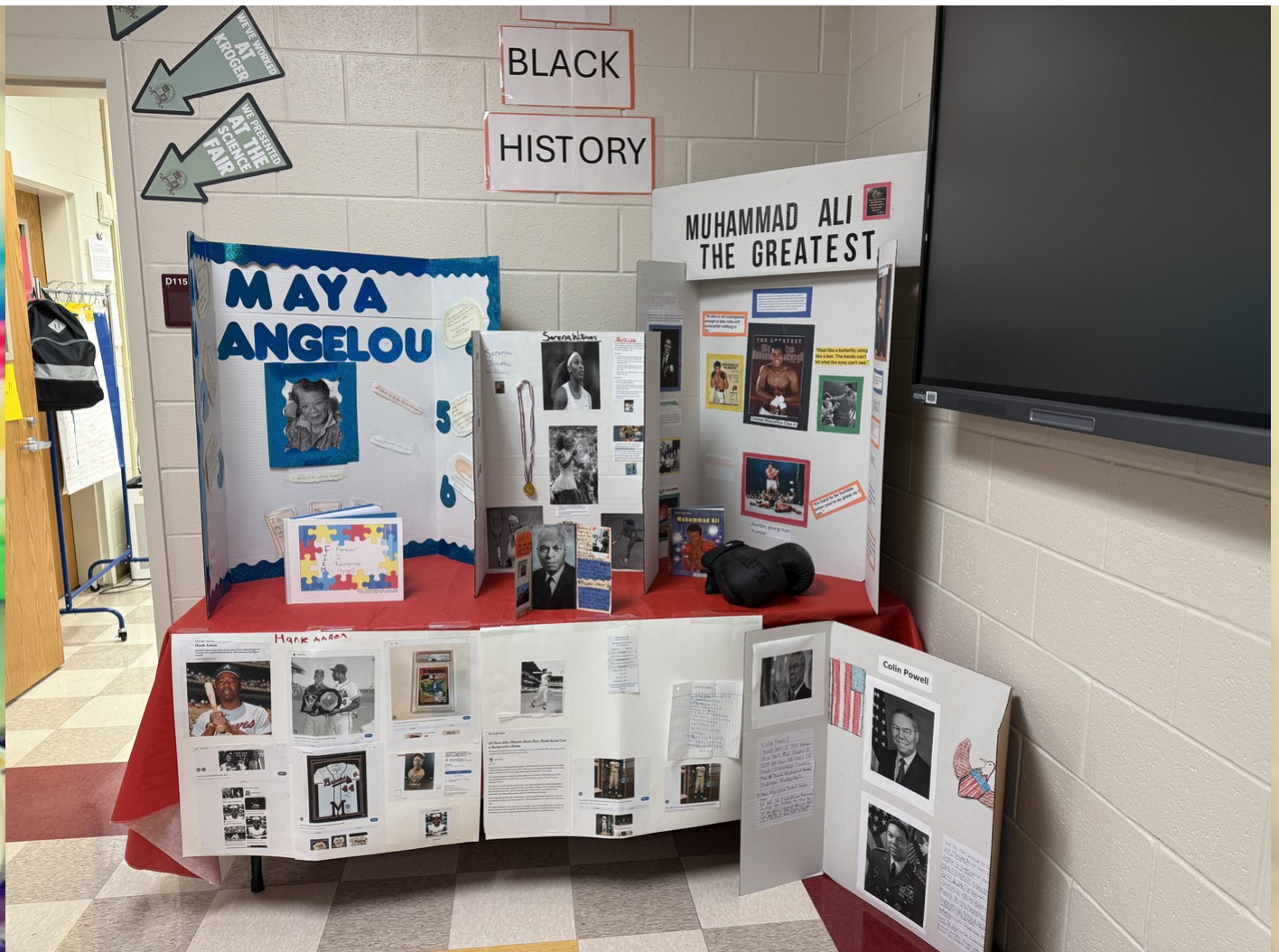
Jaqon Barron Wins 3rd Place in the Arbor Day Art Contest

Arbor Day is a national holiday that recognizes the importance of trees. Trees Atlanta and Amazon sponsored the *Georgia Arbor Day Art Contest* themed "Trees and Thank You!" Jaqon barron won 3rd place out of 200 applicants for his poem *Thank You, Trees*. Great job Jaqon!

Arbor Day Georgia will be celebrated on February 21, 2025.



Students in Ms. Tucker's Regional Unit Class created their own Black History Month Display!



Student Opportunities

ESSAY WRITING CONTEST & Teen Summit @ CEC



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Female EC Scholars Invited to join SIS Circle

NHBW, INC., ATLANTA METRO CHAPTER ESSAY WRITING CONTEST For Carver Early College Students

Please click on the flyer link below for all the details. This is a great opportunity for scholars to display their writing skills and **win cash prizes!**

The Teen Summit will be held at Carver Early College on Friday, February 28, 2025 during school. If there are any essay contest winners, **prizes will be awarded at the event.**

TOPIC "What do you consider as a turning point in Black History and why? How does this point affect us as a community going forward?"

Sisters Inspiring Sisters

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congratulations! Your daughter has been selected to participate in

the **SIS Circles Program**—an initiative whose mission is to

empower and inspire Black and Brown girls between the ages of 12-18 to reach their full potential by providing them with the necessary tools, resources, and support to become confident and successful leaders in their communities and beyond.

We strive to foster their social-emotional development and well-being as an integral part of this process. The program is designed to build a stronger sense of community and provide additional support for our students. This program offers a unique space for students to engage in guided discussions, reflect on personal experiences, and develop important social and emotional skills. Through SIS Circles, students will learn to express themselves, actively listen to others, and build empathy, all in a safe and supportive environment.



Why Participate?

- **Personal Growth:** Helps students develop communication, conflict resolution, and relationship-building skills.
- **Supportive Environment:** Offers a platform for your child to express their feelings and experiences with peers.
- **Community Building:** Strengthens the bond between students, teachers, their SIS Circles mentor, and the school community.

In order for your child to participate, we ask that you complete the registration process by **scanning the QR code above**. This will direct you to a brief online form where you can provide your child's details and your consent for their involvement.

If you have any questions about the SIS Circles Program or need assistance with the registration process, please contact us.

Thank you for your continued support in fostering a positive and inclusive school environment!

Warm regards,

Mrs. India Dennis M.P.A.

Carver Early College, Graduation Coach

Dr. Daphne Coleman

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Sports News

Coach Myles Voted HS Football Coach of the Year

Carver football head coach, Darren Myles, was selected by the Atlanta Falcons as the High School Football Coach of the Year for the state of Georgia. Coach Myles was recognized for his game-winning record as well as his leadership and character development of his players. We are so proud of his dedication to excellence.

Pictured below, left to right: Coach Myles, UGA Bulldogs coach Kirby Smart, and Carver EC football player, Terrious Favors (Terrious is the Region 5-AA Athlete of the Year).



Wendy Golston voted Region 5-AA Athletic Director of the Year

We are so proud of our amazing Athletic Director, Wendy Golston, who pours so much passion into her work. This award is well deserved!



Carver News Show on YouTube @CECPantherProwl

Our Carver News team gathers and reports on events and activities happening around the school. Please subscribe to our Carver News Channel on YouTube channel @CECPantherProwl

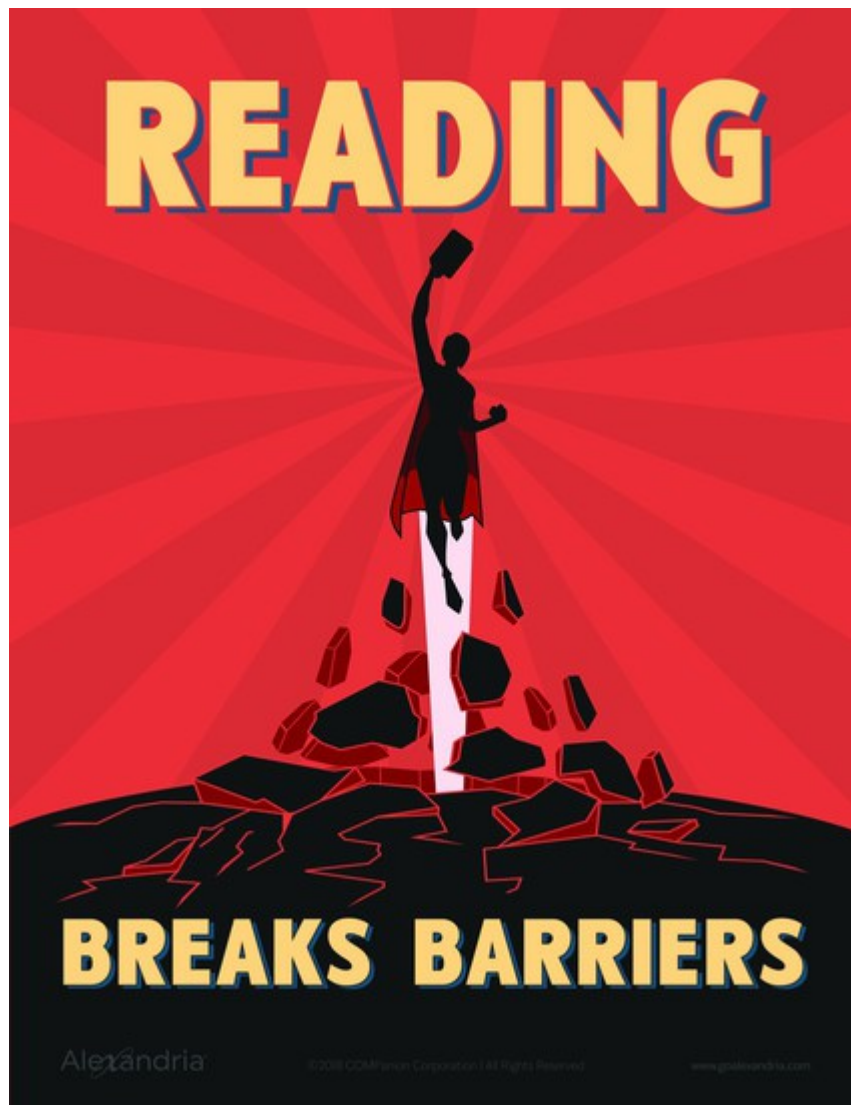
[Link to Weekly News Show on YouTube February 3-7, 2025](#)

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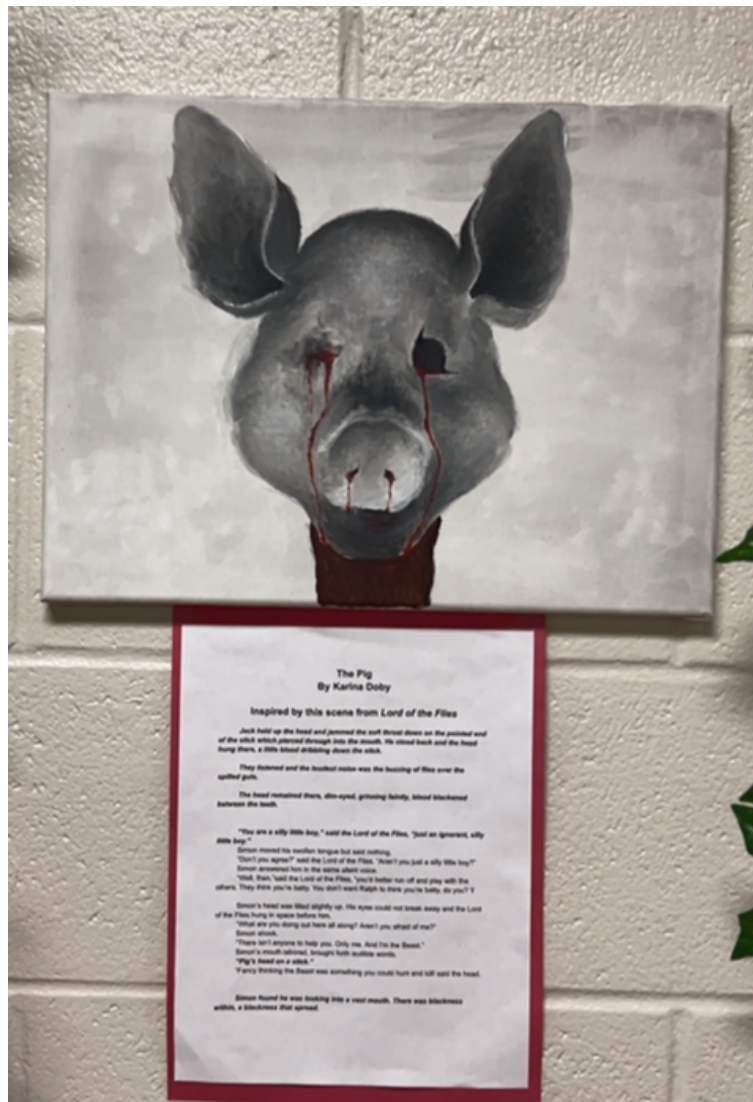
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Book Club Updates

Book Club Lord of the Flies Art Exhibition: February 24-March 7

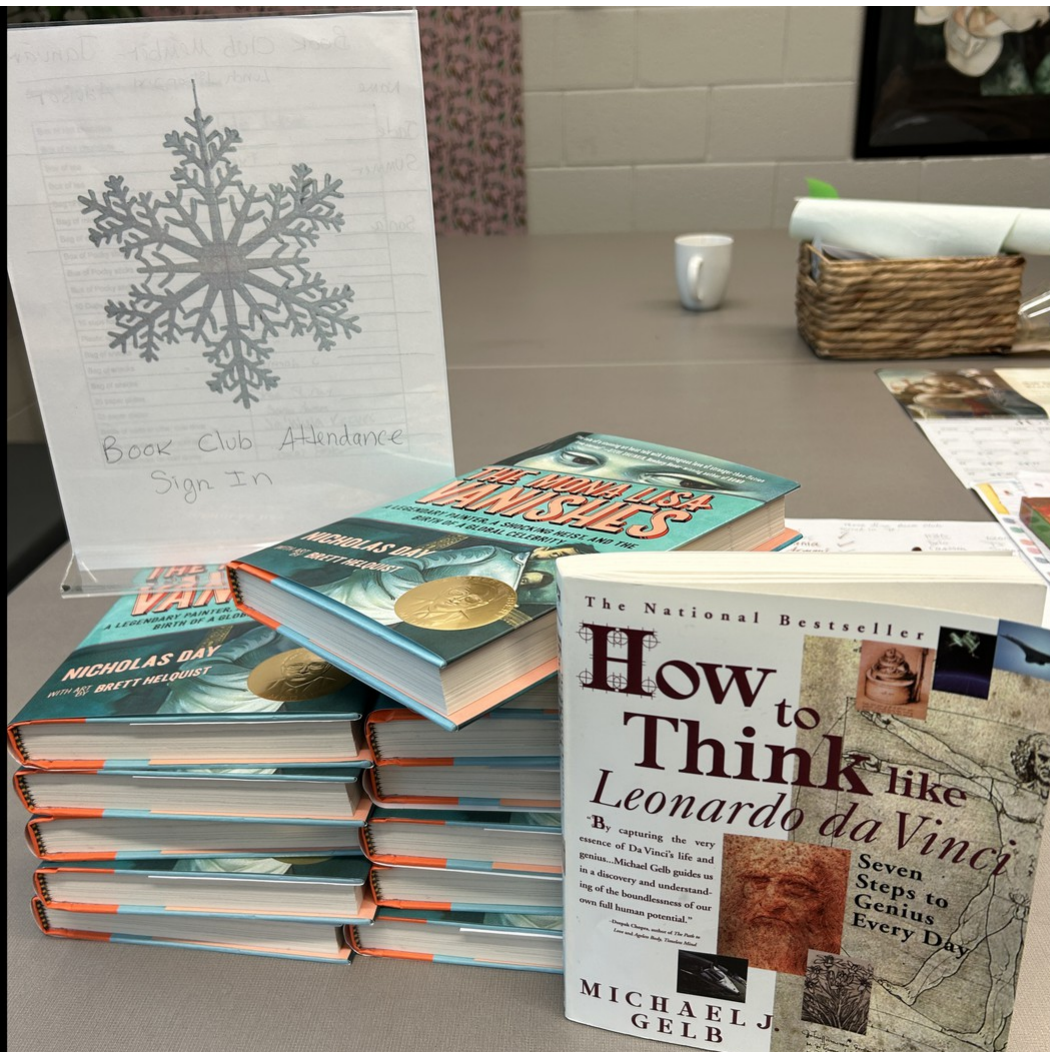
Student book club member artists will be giving other students tours of their show.



New Book Selection for February

The Mona Lisa Vanishes

We have started reading our new book and are working on an **Architectural Vocabulary** slideshow. Terms like palazzo, sarcophagus, labyrinth, and The Louvre will come to life as we read this highly engaging nonfiction narrative. We will also delve into our creativity through activities in the book, *How to Think Like Leonardo Da Vinci*.



Reading Bowl Challenge

NEW: Our Reading Bowl team from this year has challenged other 9th and 11th grade students to an in-house Reading Bowl. We have enough students to begin this challenge when we return from break!

The book we will read is *Chaos Theory*, by local Atlanta author Nic Stone. We have enough copies for everyone to get their own book to keep! We have 10 more copies of this book to create a 3rd team if anyone is interested in joining.



How to Access the Parent Portal in Infinite Campus for New Users

This link will take you to the APS District web page that explains how to access the Parent Portal in Infinite Campus. This gives parents access to their students' records.

[Infinite Campus Parent Portal / Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#)

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