

Dear CFA Students and Parents,

There really are no words to express how quickly the current state of affairs has changed our lives. In the blink of an eye, we've come from preparing for a busy season of CFA Spring Showcases to nationwide school closures for at least the next two weeks. We are hopeful that we will resume our normal daily routines soon, but until then we will all continue to navigate through this uncharted territory as best we can and with the best care practices for ourselves and for others.

We thank you for your patience during this time! It is hard to plan and reschedule events with so much uncertainty before us. We will keep you updated as soon as we can, so please stay tuned to the Rose Reports, the CFA Newsletter and the CFA Website (<http://blogs.henrico.k12.va.us/cfa>) for more information.

Your CFA teachers will be keeping in touch with you as well! You will find their Virtual Learning plans on **Schoology**, so please make sure to check in for assignments and fun activities! We already know that our CFA students and teachers are über creative – but now's your chance to shine! Have fun with these virtual activities – I'm hearing about vlogs, tik tok, zoom and all other sorts of online learning!

Perhaps not as fun, but certainly necessary, is that all CFA Performing Arts students are highly ENCOURAGED to use this time during school closures to complete their PE Modules. We have been blessed with the gift of time, so please make sure to work on these modules during this hiatus from school. Please reach out to Ms. Bohon if you can't find or if you have difficulty accessing the modules in Schoology. Ms. Bohon can be reached at erbohon@henrico.k12.va.us.

Also – for our CFA seniors – please use this time to work on the FCFA SCHOLARSHIPS!! Information about the FCFA Scholarships is included below in the "FCFA CORNER" section of this Newsletter.

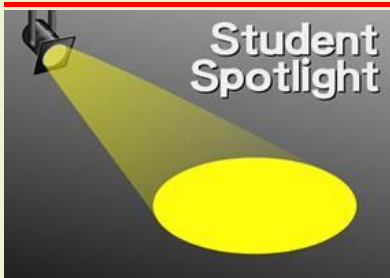
Finally, please refer to the HCPS Virtual Learning site for additional resources and support. Our county Arts Specialists, Chris Moseley (Performing Arts) and Mike Kalafatis (Visual Arts) have placed some resources for students and teachers alike on this site. Have a look!!

<http://blogs.henrico.k12.va.us/hlp/virtual-learning/>

CFA INTENT TO RETURN FORMS & TRANSPORTATION FORMS for SY 2020-2021

Intent to Return Forms & Transportation Forms will be given to all CFA Underclassmen Students SOON. Most likely we will be attaching the forms to a future CFA Newsletter. Stay tuned for details!

CFA SPOTLIGHT



CFA & HHS Visual Arts Programs earn NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC AWARDS!!!

Hi Everyone!

On behalf of Ms. Scurlock, Mr. Vaughn, and myself, we are so proud to share with you the results of this year's National Scholastics Art and Writing Awards in our HHS and CFA Visual Arts program. We had SIX national awards this year! **Our students received a National Silver Key Portfolio, a National Gold Key winner who also won American Visions and the Civic Expression award AND a NATIONAL GOLD PORTFOLIO WINNER this year....we are so proud of these students!!!!**

These students were selected from hundreds of thousands of regional entries throughout the country and because they won gold at the regional level, their submissions were blindly adjudicated by some of the foremost leaders in the visual and literary arts. These prestigious awards make them eligible to publish in national collections in print and online and nominate them for top scholarship opportunities at art & writing colleges around the country.

A very limited number of students are honored around the country so please recognize this talented student for her achievement as a National Silver Portfolio Winner:

Casey Schwarzschild (CFA Visual Arts and AP Studio Senior) for her Arts Portfolio titled "Consumerism"

Our gold key winners on the national level this year is among the most select group of students who will be honored in NYC at a special ceremony with their teachers at Carnegie Hall on June 4th this year

Please also congratulate:

Kathryn (Katie) Hart who won THREE national awards for her work of sculpture titled: "American Dream"
Katie won:

The Gold Key National Award

The American Visions National Award

The Civic Expressions Scholarship Award

(this is the first time any of our students have won this special award...Katie has been awarded a \$1000 scholarship as a result of this piece and is recognized as one of only six students in the country whose works best promote responsible participation in civic life...WAY TO GO KATIE!!!)

Finally, each year, Scholastics selects 8 portfolios from thousands of portfolio entries from around the country. These students receive the most prestigious gold medal and are considered to be the top emerging artists in the United States. Their work will be featured in a gallery exhibit in New York City, and published in an exhibition catalog. Additionally, students receive a \$10,000 college scholarship to study at an art school.

We are so proud to announce that in addition to winning an individual National Gold Key, our CFA Visual Arts and AP Studio Senior **Jasmine Mason has won this prestigious top honor with painting portfolio titled On-Call!**

Way to go Jasmine!!!!

Due to the nature of their special awards, both Katie and Jasmine will actually go on stage at Carnegie Hall this year...we are SO EXCITED FOR THEM!!!!

Please forward on to anyone else who should know of these students' amazing accomplishments!

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Hi CFA families!

Spring Showcases

Thank you to families who sent in supplies or volunteered last week for Dance Tech Week, and thanks to those who had been ready to help with showcases over the weekend. We really appreciate it all! We have stored or frozen items to use when showcases and Tech Weeks resume, and will send any updates with new Signup Genius links as soon as we have updated information. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

FCFA Scholarship Applications Available

CFA Seniors: CFA scholarship applications are available now. Applications are due (for now) on April 24. Further details are on FCFA website, <https://www.friendsofcfa.com/scholarships.html>, or see the attachments below. Please email Megan Carter megancarter10@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

10th and 11th grade Visual Arts Students: The Gorman Award can provide up to \$1000 to the student with the best proposal for an art project or possibly an enrichment program. Further details are on FCFA website, <https://www.friendsofcfa.com/scholarships.html>. Applications are due (for now) on April 24. Please email Megan Carter megancarter10@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

CFA Spirit Wear Store is open!

Do you need a new t-shirt or tank top to show your CFA pride this spring? Hoodies are available too! Place your order today in our online store. The store closes (for now) on April 19 and we won't have another sale until later next fall. Items will ship to Henrico High School near the beginning of May (for now) and be distributed to your student. [Click here](#) to get to the CFA Spirit Wear Store. Thank you!

Please like our Facebook and Instagram pages, @FriendsofCFA, and visit our website at <https://www.friendsofcfa.com/> to learn more about how the FCFA supports the CFA students and staff.

Finally, while current events are rapidly changing, we are putting our spring fundraising campaign launch on hold. Once again, we are grateful for all of the support you give to us and to each other in our community right now. We hope you and your families stay safe and healthy.

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HHS NEWS

HCPS SUMMER ACADEMY

Attached is a Summer Academy reference sheet with dates, tuition information, and locations. PLEASE feel free to share this information with your department, students, parents, etc.

The March Scholarship Newsletter is available for seniors ATTACHED and in their Schoology CLASS group. Encourage your child to apply and to request necessary supporting documentation EARLY using their Transcript Request Card.

CFA students may contact Mrs. Terry (esterry@henrico.k12.va.us) for Scholarship Needs. Students MUST utilize their transcript request cards available in a notebook outside of Mrs. Terry’s door (Ms. Daniels’ old office) in order for her to keep up with the scholarship needs for IB and CFA seniors. Please remind them to request items at least 3 days in advance and to provide gentle reminders to Mrs. Terry if they have done their parts!

Please forward this email to your child. Thank you all!

Please take care and be safe!! We are thinking of you – and we miss you! – please let us know if you need anything or let us know how we can help during this time!!

With best wishes,
Dr. P
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