

Dear CFA Students and Parents,

Happy Friday! And happy first day of Spring! I am ready for some sunshine and warm weather



I'm sure everyone knows by now that HCPS has extended the school closure through Monday, April 13. Our "projected" first day back in school will be Tuesday, April 14 – but please stay tuned as this date is subject to change.

CFA Spring Showcases 2020

The CFA Team has been working on a plan for rescheduling the CFA spring showcases – provided school does reopen on April 14 – and we hope to share that plan ("PLAN B") with you next week. PLAN B is totally contingent upon school reopening on April 14 – but if that date should change, we will move on to "PLAN C" – we are already on it!! We definitely want to do something to showcase the talent and hard work of our students – but we will have to get creative if we get to PLAN C 😊

There is just so much we don't know right now, so we're hoping that by next week we will have more definitive information. It is very hard to plan anything right now, so we really do appreciate your patience, flexibility and understanding. We will give you as much notice as we possibly can and we will do our best to meet all needs!



Please keep in touch with your CFA Teachers!! They are SO CREATIVE and they are doing amazing things online!! Ms. Niermeyer is hosting daily virtual dance opportunities – at 9:00 a.m.; 2:00 p.m.; 6:00 p.m. Contact Ms. Niermeyer for more details (tniermeyer@henrico.k12.va.us).

In the meantime, here are some online resources for you with activities and performances:

HCPS Virtual Learning Site:

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

Library of Congress = www.loc.gov

The Library of Congress has free films online to explore (National Film Registry); free music online to listen to (National Jukebox); and free concerts from the Concert Series – featuring a wide range of musical styles – on YOUTUBE.com. Take a look and enjoy the treasures found in our Nation’s Library ☺

Library of Congress Teachers = <https://www.loc.gov/teachers/>

Library of Congress Performing Arts =

<https://www.loc.gov/rr/perform/>

Library of Congress Fun for Kids =

<https://blogs.loc.gov/loc/2020/03/parents-smart-fun-for-kids/>

Metropolitan Opera = nightly opera stream

<https://www.metopera.org/>

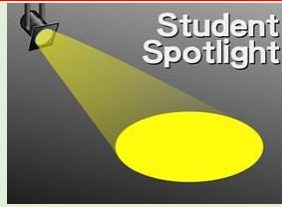
UR Modlin Center = Virtual Arts

<https://modlin.richmond.edu/virtual-arts.html>

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!

Friends of Center for the Arts (FCFA) Corner

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Email: friendsofcfa@gmail.com

Like our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/FriendsofCFA?fref=ts>

Hi CFA families!

Spring Showcases

Thank you to families who sent in supplies or volunteered 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.

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE:

(March 20 update: the April 24 deadline may change; stay tuned for updates and possible instructions to submit online)

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!!

Remember – “We’re all in this Together” – feel free to sing with me ☺

With best wishes,
Dr. P

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