

Dear CFA Students and Parents,

Happy Friday!! We are excited to welcome our teachers back next week for TEACHER WORK WEEK 😊 Our CFA Teachers have been working all summer to get ready for this school year!!

Next week will be a BUSY week – there are several class meetings (see the class meeting schedule below in the “Henrico High School news” section of this Newsletter) – as well as a virtual Back-to-School night. You will want to attend these meetings so please get these dates on your calendars!! We also have the CFA Town Hall meetings next week – we are looking forward to seeing all of you 😊

CFA Important Updates:

- Our CFA Calendar of Events for 2020-21 will be presented soon! Stay tuned!
- Specialty Center CFA contracts will be available next week – each student and family will need to complete the contract google doc – more info to come!
- CFA Town Hall Microsoft Teams Meeting LINKS have been sent to all CFA students & families. **Please let me know if you DID NOT receive your meeting link! Students who are enrolled in two disciplines, please let me know if you would like the LINK to your secondary area. Company 302 students, please let me know if you would like the link to the Musical Theatre meeting.**
- CFA Handbook for 2020-21 will be available next week – it will be posted on the [CFA website](#)
- FCFA Virtual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, September 24 @ 7:00 p.m. – more details to come!

Class schedules

Students should be able to access class schedules in Power School soon. HHS Daily Schedule is attached. Here is the CFA class schedule:

CFA Class schedule

ALL CFA Level I classes meet during 4th/5th block (12:45-2:15 p.m.)

ALL CFA Level II classes meet during 1st block (9:00-10:00 a.m.)

All CFA Level III classes meet during 6th/7th block (2:25-3:55 p.m.)*

*Dance Level III will meet during 2nd/3rd block combined with Dance Level IV

All CFA Level IV classes meet during 2nd/3rd block (10:10-11:40 a.m.)

CFA NEWS

#1 – CFA TOWN HALL MEETINGS

We will be holding CFA Town Hall meetings to help students and parents prepare for the start of CFA classes. Here is the schedule of the CFA Town Hall Meetings – students who are enrolled in two CFA

disciplines are welcome to attend both Town Hall meetings. **Meeting links have been sent to all CFA students and families – please let me know if you did not receive your meeting link.**

Wednesday, September 2 @ 6:00 p.m. – DANCE
Wednesday, September 2 @ 7:00 p.m. – MUSICAL THEATRE

Thursday, September 3 @ 6:00 p.m. – THEATRE
Thursday, September 3 @ 7:00 p.m. – VISUAL ARTS

#2— CFA Counselor Caseload for SY2020-21

Welcome CFA students to the 20-21 school year. Ms. Kreamsreiter and Ms. Hernandez will be your school counselors this year.

Seniors, when completing college application information, be sure to invite your assigned school counselor. Also, check out the upcoming College Planning Workshop in Schoology and sign up to attend if you are interested. Pick one session only and mark your calendar.

CFA Counselors:

Ms. Tiffany Kreamsreiter

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Last names A-Brov; **CFA 9-12 (Last names A-O)**

Ms. Nydia Hernandez

nehernandez@henrico.k12.va.us

Last names Brow-F; **CFA 9-12 (Last names P-Z)**

#3 -- CFA Course Syllabus, Supply Lists and Summer Assignments

All CFA Course Syllabus, Supply Lists and Summer Assignments are posted on the CFA website [here](#)

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

VMFA Museum Leaders in Training Program

The [Museum Leaders in Training application](#) for 2020-2021 is live! The program is scheduled to happen in a hybrid format with designated in-person and online workshops. Students have the option to complete the program with virtual participation only if they wish.

Open to: 8th - 12th grade students

Application Deadline: Friday, September 11, 2020 by midnight

Twyla Kitts
VMFA Teacher Programs Educator

200 N. Arthur Ashe Boulevard
Richmond, Virginia 23220

VMFA is now open! For the remainder of the summer, all in-person Early Childhood programs, Kids camps, Teen camps, Adult Studio School classes, and K-12-Adult Guided and Self-Directed tours are canceled. Some programs will be offered online. Visit www.vmfa.museum/programs for details and www.vmfa.museum/learn for free, online resources!

Visit the [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) page](#) to learn about our safety measures and other details.

Virginia Environmental Film Contest

Richmond, VA – The 11TH annual Richmond Virginia Environmental Film Festival (RVAEFF) is announcing the **2021 Virginia Environmental Film Contest**.

The contest is open to **Virginia residents with films based on environmental topics pertaining to Virginia**. Films of all formats and genres will be considered. A juried panel will select the winning films and prize money will be awarded to the film producers. Winning entries will be announced January 15th, 2021 on our web site, RVAEFF.org and through a press release.

\$1,000 Grand Prize

\$500 First Prize

\$100 Best Cinematography

\$100 Best Short Film

\$100 Honorable Mentions (two)

“We think the film contest, created in 2014, is important as a way to connect with not just our local natural environment, but also with our Virginia Film community” -

Scott Burger, a founding organizer of the festival.

All films are to be submitted August 15th through December 31st, 2020 to RVAEFF.org. When at this site, click the **Virginia Environmental Film Contest** button and you will be taken to FilmFreeway.com web’s page. Film Freeway, is a web site for filmmakers to submit their films to hundreds of film festivals. Once on this site, filmmakers will find full details regarding contest rules, deadlines and how to submit their film.

The Richmond Virginia Environmental Film Festival was founded in 2011 and has been a great addition to the Richmond culture. With over 1,500 people attending last year’s festival, we know what the power of these films can do to inspire positive changes in ourselves and our communities.

The film festival is scheduled for **February 12th through the 28th, 2021**. Award winning entries and other submitted films will be shown at various venues in Richmond and surrounding areas and/or

streamed online. The specific venues and platforms for the 2021 festival will be announced later this year and will comply with all state and local Covid-19 guidelines.

Admission to the Festival is free and open to the public due to generous community sponsors. More information on the Festival can be found at RVAEFF.org

FCFA CORNER

FCFA Corner August 28



We want to thank those that have reached out to us about joining the FCFA Board. Please feel free to reach out at Friendsofcfa@gmail.com if you are interested.

Did you know that you can donate to CFA every time you make an Amazon purchase? Select the Amazon **Smile** App on your preferred device/Log in and choose Friends of Center for the Arts.



Does any of our CFA parents have employers that match their volunteer time? We'd love to have you partner with us. Just a few Employers that match in our Area: CarMax, Choice Hotels International, Avon, Verizon and many more! Here's a little why we do what we do! We miss the students! We miss our fabulous Artists! We miss Showcases and Art Gallery!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AMlt298jFvc>

Stay Tuned...

1st Virtual Ice Cream Social – September 24 @ 7:00 p.m.

Center for the Arts' yearly Ice Cream Social has been a yummy, fun way to gather and kick off our school year. We want this year to be just as AWESOME-just virtual.

Save the Date September 24th at 7pm. Opportunities to order CFA Spirit Wear and friendly rivalry between disciplines coming soon.

High Fives and Hugs,

Michele Butts
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HENRICO HIS NEWS

COLLEGE HELP FOR SENIORS 😊

Hello Seniors! Do you have college on your mind? Want to learn more about picking and applying to colleges? Have questions about financial aid and scholarships? Then come to the **College 101 presentation for more information! See the attached flyer to sign-up!**

August 23 Weekly Message from Ms. Castillo-Rose:

School Calendar

August

August 29 SAT Testing

August 31-Senior Virtual Class Meetings, 1 pm 5pm; Kroll

August 31 IB Town Hall 3pm and 7pm; Biddle and Bland

September

September 1 Junior Virtual Class Meetings, 1pm 5pm; Phelps

September 1 Virtual Senior College Planning Workshop 7 pm (sign-up required)

September 2 CFA Town Hall Dance @ 6:00 p.m.

September 2 CFA Town Hall Musical Theatre @ 7:00 p.m.

September 2 Sophomore Class Meetings, 1pm 5pm; Nogueras

September 3 Freshmen Class Orientation Meetings, 1pm 5pm; Bland

September 3 CFA Town Hall Theatre @ 6:00 p.m.

September 3 CFA Town Hall Visual Arts @ 7:00 p.m.

September 2-3 Senior Pics 3 poses/fee, Small Gym

September 8 First Day of School

September 14 Virtual Back To School Night 5-8pm

September 17 Virtual Club Fair

School Counseling Corner

Senior Workshop: COLLEGE PLANNING

Hey seniors, come join us and learn about:

- How to find the best college for you
 - How to apply for college
 - How to pay for college

This presentation is designed for students but parents are welcome to attend. Space is limited, please sign-up for ONE session only and mark your calendar to attend! After your sign-up, a Google Meeting link will be posted 30 minutes before the presentation on Schoology and sent to the email that you sign-up with.

Seniors, please complete this survey: <https://forms.gle/mNc7SfqKHVXhyWrM8> before you sign-up for

Session 2: Sept 1st (Tue) @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm: <https://forms.gle/YcWoUaJkVucBBpQy8>



We look forward to seeing you online!!!

Counseling Caseloads for 20-21, Support Staff

All school counselors return from summer break on Monday, August 24th. Please be patient upon their return as they will have a full email inbox from the summer, meetings, and lots of professional development to get ready for the virtual world.

Counselor Caseloads Below Counselor Name:

Mrs. Ellen Terry, School Counseling Director esterry@henrico.k12.va.us = IB 9 (ALL); IB 10-12 (Last names A-O)

Ms. Tiffany Kremsreiter, tmkremreiter@henrico.k12.va.us = Last names A-Brov; CFA 9-12 (Last names A-O)

Ms. Nydia Hernandez, nehernandez@henrico.k12.va.us = Last names Brow-F; CFA 9-12 (Last names P-Z)

Mr. Mykel Ellis, mjellis@henrico.k12.va.us = Last names G-Lh

Ms. Holly Sin, hsin@henrico.k12.va.us = Last names Li-Rn; IB 10-12 (Last names P-Z)

Ms. Ashley Wright, wwright@henrico.k12.va.us = Last names Ro-Z

Henrico High School Counseling/Socio-emotional Support Staff

School Counseling Administrative Assistant = Ms. Charmaine Eaglin, cteaglin@henrico.k12.va.us

Registrar = Ms. Shameake Boomer, lboomer@henrico.k12.va.us

School Social Worker = Ms. Shenita Williams, sewilliams1@henrico.k12.va.us

School Psychologist = Dr. Donyetta Bryson, debryson@henrico.k12.va.us

Dean of Students = Dr. Patrick Bland, pwbland@henrico.k12.va.us

Senior News

1. Cap and gown orders have been extended through Monday 8/24. Complete the link. If you can't access the form, email Mrs. Kroll at takroll@henrico.k12.va.us with student name height and weight and contact number!!
2. Online fee payment is open! Seniors please pay your fees so you can pick up your cap and gown once they arrive <http://osp.osmsinc.com/HenricoV>

News from HCPS

1. Technology Support

Henrico County Public Schools' four mobile technology hubs will offer expanded technical support hours for the last two weeks of summer, before transitioning to regular school-year hours at all HCPS secondary schools.

From Aug. 24-Sept. 4 hours will be expanded and the mobile hubs will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Beginning Sept. 8 (the first day of school), normal technology support hours will start at all HCPS secondary schools. Middle and high school students will get technical support at mobile tech hubs stationed at their schools.

The mobile hubs will help with repairs to student iPads, Chromebooks and laptops, as well as device exchanges and other needed support.

Wi-Fi hot spots for families without internet access will also be available while supplies last.

By August 25th: If your family needs transportation to access one of the technology hubs, [please fill out this form](#) and HCPS staff will contact you on August 27th or 28th to schedule transportation for your family on September 2nd, 3rd, or 4th.

Revised tech support summer hours:

- Aug. 24-28: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Aug. 31-Sept. 4: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Where:

- Deep Run High School, 4801 Twin Hickory Road, Glen Allen, Va.
- Douglas Freeman High School, 8701 Three Chopt Road, Henrico, Va.
- Hermitage High School, 8301 Hungary Spring Road, Henrico, Va.
- Highland Springs High School, 15 S. Oak Ave., Highland Springs, Va.

School-year tech support hours:

- Sept. 8 (first day of school): tech support begins during normal school hours, Monday through Friday.

Where:

- All HCPS middle and high schools.

Families who need help with HCPS technology can email helpdesk@henrico.k12.va.us and a member of the HCPS

Technology team will respond by the next business day to provide assistance.

2. Online resources

[PowerSchool](#) (grades pre-K through 12):

PowerSchool gives families easy access to class grades, attendance information and student schedules. The online tool comes in two versions: one for students, and one for parents and guardians called PowerSchool Parent Portal.

NEW: PowerSchool Parent Portal is available now for all grade levels! Parents who are new to PowerSchool can set up accounts for the first time, and returning families can log in for 2020-21 information. If you need assistance with your student's login/password or student I.D. number, please email helpdesk@henrico.k12.va.us and a member of our Technology team will respond within 24 hours to provide assistance.

On Fri., Aug. 28 at 4:30 p.m. teacher assignments for middle and high schools will be available on PowerSchool Parent Portal for students in grades 6-12.

- [RYCOR Online Forms](#) (all grades) lets you do back-to-school paperwork from home. Yes, even in a virtual environment, our schools still must collect a few forms! RYCOR Online Forms, which can only be accessed via the PowerSchool Parent Portal, is expected to open after 12 p.m. on Mon., Aug. 24.
- [Online School Payments](#) (grades K-12)

Here's some good news: Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, HCPS is waiving the laptop fee (\$25), the science fee (\$5) and the P.E. fee (\$4)!

Some other classes (such as some of our Career and Technical Education options for limited in-person learning) may still require a fee. Beginning Mon., Aug. 24, Online School Payments allows families of middle- and high-schoolers to pay school fees electronically. If you haven't used Online School Payments before, you'll need to set up an account. If you need to set up a payment plan, please contact your school to make arrangements. (Also note that there is a 4% fee to pay with a credit card, which pays for the vendor's costs. If you prefer to pay by check, please mail a check to your school with a copy of the obligation list from the online payment system highlighting the fees being paid.)

Reminders:

- Links for all of these services can be found on one webpage: <https://henricoschools.us/online-services/>
 - If you need assistance with your student's login/password or student I.D. number, please email helpdesk@henrico.k12.va.us and a member of our Technology team will respond within 24 hours to provide assistance.

Coming soon:

- Updates about fall meal service which begins on the first day of school, Sept. 8.

3. In-School Childcare for essential workers and working families

Three Henrico County Public Schools partners who have provided after-school care

in HCPS facilities will offer limited in-school care programs this fall. The programs are designed to help essential workers and working families who need quality, affordable child care during HCPS' predominantly virtual start of the 2020-21 school year.

The YMCA of Greater Richmond, the Henrico Education Foundation and Henrico Police Athletic League have reimaged their traditional after-school models as full-day programs to meet community needs posed by a virtual school day.

The small programs can prioritize safety in ways that are not possible at this time for a general school population. They will be limited in scale to conform to CDC guidelines, and will serve far fewer children. Students will be in the same small groups all day, in dedicated areas of the school, including a dedicated classroom or instructional space for each group. These areas will undergo frequent intensive cleaning. Transportation will be provided by families, avoiding the risks associated with transporting large groups of students together using HCPS' bus fleet.

The partners will provide their own staffing models and determine the capacity for their programs, within the guidelines of the Virginia Department of Health, Virginia Department of Education, the CDC and HCPS. The typical ratio of students to adults in the child-care setting is 10-to-one.

While some HCPS teachers will be working in their classrooms, conducting virtual classes and offering limited in person instruction for students, plans for in-school child-care programs will take this capacity into account and won't detract from "regular" HCPS programming or safety. The in-school child-care programs also won't interfere with any plans to incorporate more in-person student attendance, as conditions allow.

In-school child-care partner programs:

Henrico PAL: The program will operate Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Programming will consist of support for HCPS virtual learning, as well as Henrico PAL programs such as STEAM concepts, chess, dance, art and financial literacy. While the new program is operating, PAL's regular after-school program will not be offered. The program is open to children in kindergarten through fifth grade, and the cost is \$100 per week per child. Program sites are:

- Laburnum Elementary School.
- John Rolfe Middle School.
- Dumbarton Elementary School.

For more information, go to Henrico PAL's child care information page at <https://www.henicopal.org/after-schoolprogram.html>

Contact: Chris OBrion

Communications Specialist

csobrion@henrico.k12.va.us • 804-652-3725

Henrico Education Foundation: This program will operate from 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students will participate in virtual learning activities during the school day, and after-school recreational activities each afternoon. Staff members will work closely with HCPS to support classroom teachers' facilitation of virtual learning. Children will be provided with two snacks each day and lunch will be available for a fee. The Fair Oaks, Greenwood and Wilder sites will serve Henrico County children in kindergarten through fifth grade, while the Quioccasin site will serve children of HCPS employees who fall into the same age group. The cost of the program is \$100 per week per child. Program sites are:

- Fair Oaks Elementary School.
- Greenwood Elementary School.
- L. Douglas Wilder Middle School.
- Quioccasin Middle School (For children of HCPS staff members. Employees received a separate email about how to register.)

For more information and to register, go to <https://henricogives.org/after-school-enrichment-program/>

or contact

HEF's Scott Williams at scott@henricogives.org.

YMCA of Greater Richmond: The YMCA is planning programming options across the Richmond area to accommodate school systems using a predominantly virtual format. The program will operate Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m.-6 p.m., and will be adaptable to meet students' virtual classroom schedules. The later portion of the day will include enrichment opportunities such as STEAM concepts, drumming, dance, computer coding, cooking, poetry and a variety of other activities. The program is for children in kindergarten through eighth grade. The cost of the program is \$100 per week per child. Program sites are:

- Deep Run High School.
- Glen Allen High School.

- Mills Godwin High School.
- Henrico High School.
- Hermitage High School.
- Varina High School.

For more information, go to <https://www.ymcarichmond.org/child-care-camps/>, then click on “Supporting Virtual Learning.” Interested families should contact the providers directly. Schools are unable to register students for these programs.

HHS BAND NEEDS YOU!!

CFA students that would like to join HHS Mighty Warriors Band or Marching Band should contact Mr. Cousins, HHS Band Director elcousins@henrico.k12.va.us ASAP!!

Have a great weekend! Enjoy your last week of summer break ☺ September 8 is just around the corner ☺

Best,
Dr. P
Stephanie Poxon, Ph.D.
Director
Center for the Arts

