



FINE ARTS NEWSLETTER

A Monthly Newsletter by CCPS PAC

DR. PRINCE T. BOWIE

Artists,

"Quality is not an act! It's a habit!"

As we approach the 4th quarter of our school year, we still have an opportunity to finish strong! Remember that the building of a cathedral isn't a sprint, it's a marathon that's inclusive of many challenges and successes. The work is the work! The quality is the quality! Like any good home, no matter the age. If it's structurally sound and solid, it will last!

When I served as principal, I would always remind my staff that it's not how you start or midway through. It's always about how you finish! The words I used were to stay "Super Present"! Super, like "Superman" being the strongest or at the highest level. Then "Present", is being available in the here and now. "Super Present" will be essential as we navigate through these last few weeks of the 2023-2024 school year. Remember, we never get what we want, we get what we prepare for! Continue to put the finishing touches on "building your cathedral"! "Education in the Arts, and Education through the Arts!"

Dr. Prince T. Bowie
 Director of Fine Arts
 Division of Teaching and
 Learning & Strategic Improvement



WELCOME

to the monthly newsletter for the CCPS Fine Arts Department. The goal of this newsletter is to share highlights from the many Fine Arts programs around the county.

Fine Arts teachers, please submit articles for the Newsletter via the Google form sent by Dr. Bowie. If you need the link again, please email Tamara.Rainwater@clayton.k12.ga.us



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Clayton County Public Schools All County Art Exhibition

PLEASE JOIN US TO
CELEBRATE THE WINNING STUDENTS OF THE
K-12 ALL COUNTY ARTS COMPETITION

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024
5:00PM**



**THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
2530 MOUNT ZION PARKWAY
JONESBORO, GEORGIA 30236**

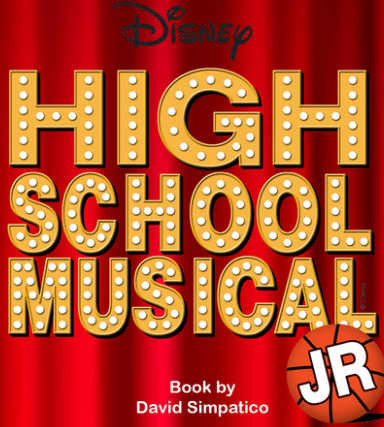
VIEW WINNING ARTWORK: [HTTPS://RB.GY/AQRPXX](https://rb.gy/aqrpXX)

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**PERFORMANCE
SPOTLIGHT**



**Clayton County Public Schools
Production of**



Book by
David Simpatico

Songs by
Matthew Gerrard & Robbie Nevil;
Ray Cham, Greg Cham & Andrew Seeley;
Randy Petersen & Kevin Quinn
Andy Dodd & Adam Watts;
Bryan Louiselle;
David N. Lawrence & Faye Greenberg; Jamie Houston

Music Adapted, Arranged & Produced by
Bryan Louiselle

Based on a Disney Channel Movie Written by
Peter Barsocchini

April 26-28, 2024

Friday, April 26 @ 7 pm

Saturday, April 27 @ 7 pm

Sunday, April 28 @ 2 pm

CCPS PAC - 2530 Mt Zion Pkwy
Jonesboro, GA 30236

School Show
Friday, April 26 @ 10:00 am



Tickets on GoFan

Disney's High School Musical JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY 212-541-4684 | mtishows.com

Clayton County Public Schools is excited to invite you to our production of High School Musical Jr. The musical will take place at the Clayton County Performing Arts Center. The school show is on Friday, April 26, at 10:00 am. Public shows are Friday, April 26, at 7:00 pm, Saturday, April 27, at 7:00 pm, and Sunday, April 28, at 2:30 pm.

It's the first day after winter break at East High. The Jocks, Brainiacs, Thespians and Skater Dudes all find their cliques. Basketball team captain and resident jock, Troy, discovers that the brainy Gabriella, a girl he met singing karaoke on his ski trip, has just enrolled at East High. The couple cause an upheaval when they decide to audition for the high school musical. Although many students resent the threat posed to the "status quo," Troy and Gabriella's alliance might just open the door for others to shine as well.

For Clayton County schools interested in attending our 1-hour school show, Please email tamara.rainwater@clayton.k12.ga.us to receive the Google form to reserve your seats. School show tickets are \$2 and chaperone tickets are free. CCPS schools may submit transportation requests to the district's Fine Arts Department by completing the transportation request form and following the process. Prior approval by the Fine Arts Department is required. For transportation questions, please contact Ms. Taylor - savina.taylor@clayton.k12.ga.us

For all others interested in attending our-Friday evening or Saturday evening, or Sunday matinee shows please use the QR code on the poster to the left.

**"We're all in this
Together"**

Wildcats



DFA ANNOUNCEMENT

On March 13th, CCPS Art students represented their artwork at the State Capitol along with other students from across the State! CCPS schools in attendance were Arnold Elementary, Kay R. Pace School of the Arts, Jonesboro Middle, and Elite Scholars Academy. Each school selected 2 students to exhibit for the event. Pictured here are art teachers Elise Gomez, Briana Long, Kenzie Heard, and Daphne Johnson, and students Jessica Sterling, Dallas Brinson, Robert Samuels-Beyeh, Amanda Pritchett Charles, Amirah Cameron, Naomi Allen, Shakira Rainwater, and Lily Pichon. Our student artists and teachers were able to meet with State School Superintendent Richard Woods, who congratulated students on all their fine work. Congratulations to these artists!



SCHOOL SUBMITTED ANNOUNCEMENTS



On Saturday, March 9th, 4th through 6th graders from Michelle Obama STEM Academy, Kay Pace School of the Arts, and Riverdale Middle represented CCPS in the Spivey Hall Elementary Honor Choir. The event was comprised of Saturday morning rehearsals and Professional Development opportunities, and culminated with a wonderful concert Saturday afternoon. Kudos to all participants! Thanks to Mr. Kris Goodall, Ms. Erin Oxford, and Ms. Ramielle Moorer for nominating your students and providing enrichment opportunities for your students beyond the classroom.



Congratulations to the following Schools that received a Superior Performance rating at this year's Large Group Performance Evaluation.

Band
 School
 Babb Middle
 Elite Scholars 6-8
 Rex Mill Middle
 Riverdale Middle
 Roberts SOTA 7th
 Roberts SOTA 8th
 Sequoyah Middle
 Jonesboro High
 Lovejoy High
 Morrow High
 Mundy's Mill High
 Stilwell SOTA

Chorus
 School
 North Clayton Middle
 Rex Mill Middle
 Riverdale Middle
 Roberts Middle STOA
 Sequoyah Middle
 Stilwell SOTA

Orchestra
 School
 Adamson Middle
 Morrow Middle
 Rex Mill Middle
 White Academy
 Drew High
 Elite Scholars 9-12
 Lovejoy High
 Morrow High
 Stilwell SOTA

Elementary
 School
 Kay Pace SOTA

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Elite Scholars Academy's high school scholars competed in the GHSA Literary Competition on March 7. The results are as follows:

Girls Trio: 2nd Place Shola Williams, O'maya Pitts, Riona Harrigan

Quartet: 1st Place Jeriah Moor- Alexander, Asha White, Marcellus Milner, IV, Christina Pearl Cooper

Girls Solo: 1st Place Asha White

Boys Solo: 2nd Place Jeriah Moor- Alexander

Argumentative Essay: 1st Place Christina Pearl Cooper

Our 1st place winners competed at the state level.



Lovejoy High School Orchestra on our way to LGPE



Where they recived a Superior Performacne rating

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On Saturday, March 16, 2024, the Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts Literary Team traveled to Warner Robins, GA to compete at the State Literary competition. The competition was held at Warner Robins High School and the team returned with three state champions and earned third place in the state!

We are proud to announce the following literary state champions:

- Joya Howard: 1st place
- Dramatic Literary Interpretation
- Taylor Moore: 1st place
- Extemporaneous Speaking, Domestic
- Ila-Rose Robinson: 1st place
- Extemporaneous Speaking, International

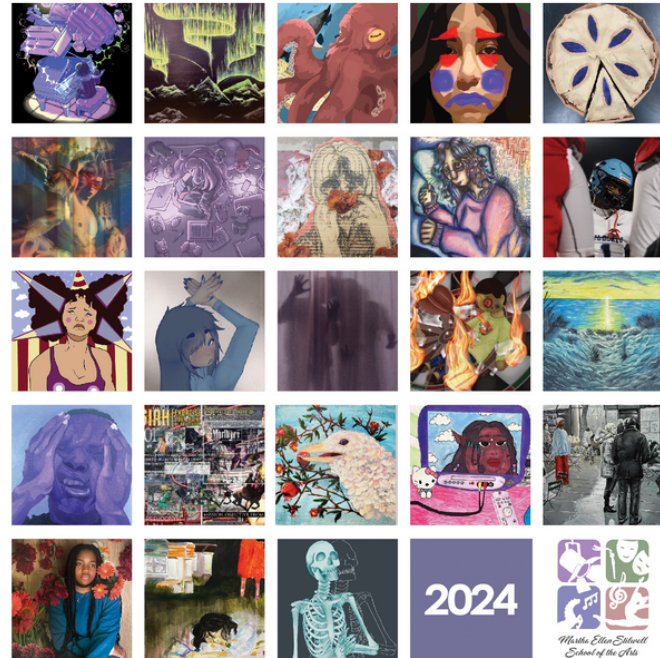
In addition to the state champions, Stilwell also proudly announces the other student competitors who placed:

- Jailyn Walton and Tyaire Charles: 2nd place - Duo Literary Interpretation
- Angelina Cavin: 2nd place - Humorous Literary Interpretation
- Natalie Ramirez-Larez: 3rd place - Argumentative Essay
- Ange Sanchez, Vy Truong, Nataly Yanez: 5th place - Girl's Trio
- Jayden Mack: 6th place - Boy's Solo



STILWELL Art Exhibition

Reception: April 26, 5 - 6:30
Exhibition: April 22-26
2580 Mt. Zion PKWY
Jonesboro, GA 30236



Featuring work by the visual art class of 2024 - 1st floor

Karla Lore Aquino, Timo Bennett, Chelsea Bernard, Kimberly Bibiano Marroquin, Lidia Bland, Janaysia Bridges, Beyuti Burrows, Angelina Cavin, Alexa Cruz Zamora, Trinity Dungy, Celine Doan, Fernando Godin-Salazar, Kira Gordon, Ariana Grimaldo Mendez, Vanesa Hernandez Soto, Seraphin La Infierno, Olivia Manson, Marcellus Miller, Madison Snead, Anya Thompson, Catlinh Vo, Cassidy White, Myles Wilkes

Work by the art classes of 2027, 2026, & 2025 - 2nd & 3rd floors

SCHOOL SUBMITTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elite Scholars STEAM & Art Walk

Elite Scholars had a spectacular event on Monday, 3/25/2024, STEAM and Art Walk. Thank you to the 2 art teachers, Fenton Thompson (Middle Grades) and Daphne Johnson (High School), for curating and displaying such a wonderful collection of student work. The display consisted of a wide range of mediums to show the vast talent of their scholars. Click the link below to view the exhibit!

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1I-V1XtHVIXJ_qE7xW2jaVfQbqROOfX5r/view



Huie Elementary School

Black History Month was celebrated at Huie Elementary School to honor our nation's greatest moments and greatest people. The students' Visual Art work demonstrated those living legends who continue to make our nation proud. Students were reminded that Black History Month is more than just hardships! Instead, they learned about the amazing contributions our legends have made to society on a whole..



Corielle Jackson 5th grade



Jaylina Dor 4th grade



kady Bass 4th grade

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Each year, school districts nationwide witness a vibrant display of creativity as students participate in competitions aimed at promoting school bus safety through art. This initiative not only fosters creativity but also underscores the importance of ensuring a safe environment for school transportation.

In the spirit of encouraging student participation, we issued a call to all teachers and art instructors to inspire their students to take part in the CCPS Transportation Department's School Bus Safety Poster Contest. The response was overwhelming, with students pouring their hearts and minds into creating artwork that beautifully encapsulated the theme of safe school transportation.

After careful deliberation, we are delighted to announce the winners of the CCPS Transportation Bus Safety Poster Contest below.

Division 1 Winner:

Zoiie Wiggins - 1st Place - Kay Pace School of the Arts

Division 2 Winner:

Jelani Jackson - 1st Place - Kemp Elementary School

Division 3 Winner:

Kimberly Gonzalez-Herrera - 1st Place - Pointe South Elementary School

Division 4 Winner:

Bri'Anna Rabb - 1st Place - East Clayton Elementary

Congratulations to these scholars! Additionally, these students were selected to go to the NAPT, National Competition. Good Luck to these scholars!

Thank you Ms. Long, Dr. Scriven, Ms. Ford and Ms. Dawson! Your tireless efforts have not gone unnoticed. Thank you for all that you do with our students!



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The Fine Arts Department would like to thank the over 1500 scholars and 40 schools that participated in our "Arts in Our Schools" culmination activity on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. The performance included internationally known "Egun Omode" and real-time painting by 11th grader Taylor Moore and 12th grader Beyuti Burrows from Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts. The audience had an electrifying interactive experience in the ARTS! Throughout this interactive performance, CCPS scholars sang, danced, played instruments, and were fully immersed in this culminating "Arts in Our Schools" event! Please see pictures and links to clips from the student artists and "Egun Omode" below!



12th grader
Beyuti Burrows

11th grader
Taylor Moore



["Egun Omode" Clip 1](#)

["Egun Omode" Clip 2](#)

["Egun Omode" Clip 3](#)

In celebration of our annual "Arts in Our Schools Month," the CCPS Fine Arts department worked diligently to inundate Clayton County Schools with various industry professionals who were able to diversify our students' instruction and content.

Dance hosted a teaching artist from the world-renowned Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater at Kay Pace School of the Arts and Stilwell High School. Dance students received a master Jazz technique workshop from the Atlanta Resource for Entertainment in the Arts.

Theater students from Point South, Mundy's Mill, and MD Roberts Middle School were able to participate in theatrical workshops provided by teaching artists from Synchronicity Theater. Additionally, theater students from MD Roberts were provided with the opportunity to participate in a table read with producer, writer, and director Jeremy Mc Courmier.

MD Roberts
Theatre



Mundy's Mill
MS Theatre

MD Roberts
Dance



Kay Pace
Dance



Pointe South
MS Theatre

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The Department of Fine Arts is excited to share the success and impact of the 2024 Elementary Honor Workshop held at the CCPS Performing Arts Center on March 20th and 21st. This workshop brought together over 450 4th and 5th graders from our district, showcasing their musical talents and dedication.

The Elementary Honor Workshop was designed with a long-term vision for music education in Clayton County Public Schools. Our goals include igniting and nurturing a passion for music, encouraging continued participation in secondary-level music programs, providing a platform for elementary students to showcase their talents, and fostering music literacy and performance skills that extend beyond the classroom. These skills are crucial for students aspiring to participate in prestigious programs like the Governor’s Honors Program and GMEA All-State ensembles.



CELEBRATING FINE ARTS BIRTHDAYS


APRIL

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| Hannah Glenn | Lauren Ashford |
| Kristie Housley | Jessie Bartlett |
| Alicia Lowe | Evenie Bour |
| Alvin Miller | Jeff Corso |
| Erin Oxford | Krista Crews |
| Tamara Rainwater | Sandra Daniel |
| Jennifer Ryder | Tiffany Edouard |
| Cassandra Slep | DeMarcus Felton |
| Christina Thurman | Brian Fredricks |
| John Womack | |



APRIL PAC EVENTS

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| 4/11 - Stilwell Theatre Performance
6:00 PM | 4/26 - CCPS All County Musical
Disney's High School Musical Jr.
10:00 AM CCPS School Show
7:00 PM |
| 4/13-14 - League of Champions Dance
8:00 AM | 4/27 - CCPS All County Musical
Disney's High School Musical Jr.
7:00 PM |
| 4/15 - Stilwell Jazz Band
6:00 PM | 4/28 - CCPS All County Musical
Disney's High School Musical Jr.
2:00 PM |
| 4/17 - County Art Show
5:00 PM | 4/29 - Elite Scholars Band and Orchestra
6:30 PM
- Stilwell Theatre Showcase
6:00 PM |
| 4/21 - Omega Psi Phi Talent Show
3:00 PM | 4/30 - Fine Arts Commitment Ceremony
10:00 AM
- Lovejoy HS Honors Ceremony
7:00 PM |
| 4/23 - The On Pointe Players
Madagascar Jr.
6:00 PM | |
| 4/25 - CCPS International ESL
Parent Award Ceremony
4:00 PM | |

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