Eagle Shout-Outs:

Students and Staff of the Month

Congratulations to this month’s winners: freshman, Karah Pennington; sophomore, Kevin Green; junior, Julianne Stovall; and senior, Otis Woodard.

A special congrats to our beloved secretary, Ms. Angela Thomas for being named Staff member of the Month. Thank you, Ms. Thomas for being a helpful, kind ray of sunshine every single day! You are the heart of our school, and we appreciate you!

SLPS Receives Full State Accreditation

On behalf of all the hardworking CVPA students, teachers, parents, and staff - CONGRATULATIONS to Saint Louis Public School District for earning full accreditation from the state board earlier last week. It feels rewarding to know that everyone’s hard work is being recognized and celebrated. CVPA is Accredited with Distinction - an honor in which we take immense pride and work hard to maintain. Here’s to our continued success! #CVPAproud #SLPS

Eagle Activities:

PUPPIES!

Thanks to Ms. Rovira and our administrative team for bringing a group of adorable puppies to school during final exam week! Students and staff were encouraged to play with the precious pups to help relieve stress in between tests.

Technology Carts Ready for Classrooms

Shout-out to Mr. Bova who set up 2 carts with classroom sets of laptops. We also have a cart with brand new tablets. It’s so exciting to be able to conveniently use more technology in class!

CVPA Alumni Panel Speaks to Seniors

Last week a group of recent Central graduates and current college students came back to school to speak to our seniors. They offered advice about what to prioritize during the last few months of high school, and they shared what they have learned since being in college. Thanks to Ms. Lewis for organizing this great opportunity.

Youth Leadership Field Trip

CVPA students joined other high school students from the St. Louis area as part of a Youth Leadership field trip to the Holocaust Museum. Students learned from each other through discussions about diversity and discrimination. Here, juniors Kennedy Mayfield and Alex Williams take part in a ceremony in front of their peers.

Internship & Experience Opportunities:

- **Paid Internship through Bank of America** - Deadline: January 27th
  **Eight week internship, week-long all-expense paid Student Leaders Summit in Washington DC from July 9-14.**
  Apply at bankofamerica.com/studentleaders

- **WashU School of Medicine - Student Research Program**
  **Deadline: March 1st** - see your counselor for more information.

Scholarship Opportunities:

- **Westlake Scholarship** - Deadline: February 1st
  **Requirements:** Missouri resident; graduating high school senior; maintaining a 2.5 grade point average or higher and family adjusted gross income of $50,000 or less. www.scholarsapply.org/westlake

- **Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship** - Deadline: February 15th
  **Eligibility:** graduating, minority senior - planning to attend a 4 year institution. Shows leadership potential, demonstrates a dedication to community service, presents evidence of financial need, a composite ACT score of at least 21.

- **Dr. David M. Berry Memorial Scholarship** - Deadline: April 2nd
  Sponsored by New Age Truth Of Missouri, Inc.
  **Eligibility:** graduating high school senior; submitting financial aid and/or scholarship/financial aid forms. www.scholarsapply.org/overland

SENIORS: ALL college acceptance letters, scholarship/financial aid forms, and FAFSA letters are to be submitted electronically. We do accept any of the above electronically. Thank you for your assistance in this endeavor.

Upcoming PTO Meeting

Please join us for the PTO and Bi-Annual Title 1 Meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2017. Meetings will be held at both 10:00am and 3:30pm in the school’s Professional Development room located on the 1st Floor.

For more information, please contact PTO President Cortnei McPherson at Cortnei@gmail.com or 314-476-2519.

A continental breakfast and dinner will be provided. To ensure that we have enough food please RSVP on or before Friday, January 20, 2017 to Sherri Reed-Parker, Family and Community Specialist: 314-771-2771 or email at Sherri.Reed-Parker@slps.org

Note: Four tickets (2 / meeting) with reserved front row seating to the Dance Performance will be raffled during the meeting so don’t miss your chance to win!

A Word from Our Principal:

**Dr. Kacy Seals**

The second semester is already off to a great start. On January 3rd, before our students came back, CVPA staff gathered to participate in a school-wide scavenger hunt. It got us to work together, explore the school, and focus on teamwork. We also spent some time that day reflecting on the first semester - celebrating successes and making plans to be even better this semester. Let’s challenge our students to make the same commitment to self-reflection: how can we continue to work together and become better?

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