

August 2020

CARR LANE VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS MIDDLE SCHOOL
1004 N. Jefferson Ave, St. Louis, MO 63106
St. Louis Public Schools www.carrlanevpaschool.org



Mr. Young, Principal Ms. Gross, Asst. Principal

THE SPIRIT

August 2020

Important Dates:

Aug. 25-27

Technology Pick-up @ Carr Lane

Aug 27

Virtual Open House 6:00 p.m.

Aug. 31

1st Day of Virtual Classes

Sept. 7

Labor Day Holiday

Sept. 13

National Grandparents Day

Sept. 15

Virtual Title 1 Meeting
@ 6:00 pm

Welcome New Staff

Mr. Beemer-Math
Ms. Williams-Math
Ms. Casel-Social Studies
Mr. Boston-
Exceptional Learner Team

Dear Jaguar Family,

Welcome to the Carr Lane Visual & Performing Arts Middle School for the 2020-2021 academic year! We hope that you had a wonderful summer. We are very excited about all of the wonderful learning experiences we will be offering this school year. This year promises to be exciting as we embark on our journey of Virtual Learning. I am confident that the year will be an outstanding experience for us all so I am going to begin this school year by thanking you for all that you will do for the Jaguars of Carr Lane VPA Middle School.

I would like to wish a fond farewell to Ms. Grove, Mr. Davis, Ms. Love, Ms. Kozak, Ms. Gallion, Mr. Burrolla, Ms. Hagler, and Mrs. Parsonage who have moved on for various reasons.

Just as we say farewell to some of our colleagues, we extend a warm greeting to our new team members. I would like to welcome Mr. Beemer and Ms. C. Williams to the Math Team, Ms. Casel to the Social Studies Team, and Mr. Boston to the Exceptional Learner Team.

Personal Responsibility is going to be the words of the year as we continue to deal with the Global Pandemic of Covid 19. We plan to continue our tradition of excellence in education for students through the successful achievement of the **4A's of Attendance (Virtual), Attitude, Achievement, and Attire**. Students will be encouraged to stretch and grow mentally, socially, emotionally, and behaviorally to meet their personal high standards as well the high standards of our school community. Our program will focus on **Literacy**. We look forward to working with your children to promote the very best of what they have to offer as a life-long learner and a member of the global community.

We look forward to an exciting and fulfilling academic year with you and your child!

Sincerely,
Darwin Young
Principal

VIRTUAL CLASSES BEGIN
AUGUST 31, 2020

SCHOOL MOTTO: "Get Smart Through The Arts"

Carr Lane VPA Virtual Open House !!!!

Administrators, Faculty & Staff of Carr Lane VPA Middle School will welcome families to our **Virtual Open House** August 27, 2020 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Please log into Carr Lane Website and meet the staff. Lets make Carr Lanes' Virtual Open House a success.

Carr Lane VPA Middle School Annual Title 1 **Virtual Parents Meeting** **Tuesday, September 15, 2020** **6:00 p.m.**

Absences

As you know, school attendance is required for all children ages six through eighteen. It is our hope that you plan and organize so that students log into school on time is a number-one priority. If you are absent for three (3) consecutive days (unexcused or unexplained absences) or have 3-5 total absences, the school will send a letter to parents/guardians. Further additional absences, excused and/or unexcused, shall be addressed in the following manner: 6-9 absences-2nd letter to parent, 10 or more absences– 3rd parent letter and notification to the Missouri Division of Children's Services, Juvenile Court and /or City Court.

Etiquette for the Carr Lane Online Studies

Carr Lane a "***Special Place***" please treat your virtual studies as if you were in the building. We want everyone to have fun and achieve but there are a few rules to keep in mind while learning online.

- Please log on at the scheduled time...
- Be respectful. ...
- Be careful with humor and sarcasm. ...
- Always "mute" when not speaking...
- Grammar and spelling matter. ...
- Cite your sources. ...
- Don't post or share (even privately) inappropriate material. ...
- Use proper language. ...
- Run a spelling and grammar check before posting anything to the discussion board. ...
- Read through your comments at least twice before hitting submit. ...
- Don't type in ALL CAPS! ...
- Recognize and respect diversity. ...
- Always log off when the school day is complete...

NOTE: If you would like to contribute to the school newsletter, please contact Mr. Phillips.
 The newsletter is published monthly.