The SPIRIT

Carr Lane Open House
On Tuesday, August 20, 2019 Carr Lane hosted its Annual Open House and Annual Title 1 Informational Parents meeting. 41 Families attend this annual activity. Homeroom 304 Ms. Love's homeroom is the winner of a “Pizza Party” for having the most families to participate.

Progress Report
September 12, 2019
Interim Progress Report Card will be sent home.

Jaguar P.R.I.D.E. Pledge
I will always be polite to all of my peers, administrators, staff and guests.

I will always be respectful of others feelings, ideas and belongings.

I will always act with integrity.

I will use self-discipline to guide my decisions.

I will put forth my best effort to be the best scholar I can be because...

I am a Jaguar Scholar and I have P.R.I.D.E.

Labor Day Holiday
Monday, September 2, 2019
No School

School Motto: “Get Smart Through The Arts”
Tryouts for Boys soccer will take place on Tuesday & Thursday September 3 & 5.
See Coach Folkes in the gym for more information. 2:30 p.m.– 5:00 p.m.

Tryouts for Girls volleyball will take place Tuesday & Thursday September 3 & 5, 2019
See Coach Kozak in room 207. 2:30 p.m.– 5:00 p.m.

**Start the School Year off Right...Facts You Should Know**

*Parents and students please be mindful. The expectation is for students to come to school daily and on time.*

**Start the Semester off Strong:** Nearly half of all students that miss more than two days of school in September go on to miss almost a month of school.

**Chronic Absences:** An estimated 5 to 7.5 million students in the United States miss almost a month of school every year. This adds up to over a year missed by the time of graduation.

**Early Absences Lead to Attendance Issues in Later Grades:** Absenteeism starts early. One in 10 kindergarteners and first graders are considered “chronically absent.”

**Chronic Absence = Missing two or more days per month:** Research shows students who miss 10 percent of school, or two days per month, show negative academic progress. That adds up to 18 days a school year and brings the students attendance rate to below 90%.

**Third Grade Reading Level:** Poor attendance can keep children from reading proficiently by the end of third grade, which can negatively affect their chances of graduating on time.

**Dropout Indicator:** By sixth grade, a chronically absent student shows to have a significantly higher chance of dropping out of high school.

**Excused Absences Hurt Too:** Excused absences are just as negative as unexcused ones. All absences add additional missed time in the classroom, which in turn increases the dropout risk.

**Every Minute Matters:** If a student is 10 minutes late to school each day, this adds up to missing more than 33 hours of class time. A student with a 90 percent attendance average for Kindergarten through 12th grade will miss over a year of accumulated time in the classroom.

COCA (Conservatory of Contemporary Arts) and City Parks & Recreation have partnered this year to host weekly classes at ALL SEVEN City Parks & Recreation Centers. Families can sign up (FOR FREE) here: [https://stlcityrec.recdesk.com/Community/Program](https://stlcityrec.recdesk.com/Community/Program). The easiest way to find COCA classes is to search “COCA” in the search bar.

The holiday season is quickly approaching and we strive to make these moments joyous for all. We are extending the invitation for you to complete a case story form to submit electronically. All information provided will remain confidential. If interested, contact the School Social Worker, Gayle Abram, **no later than Thursday, September 12, 2019**. Case submissions All are subject to meet eligibility requirement