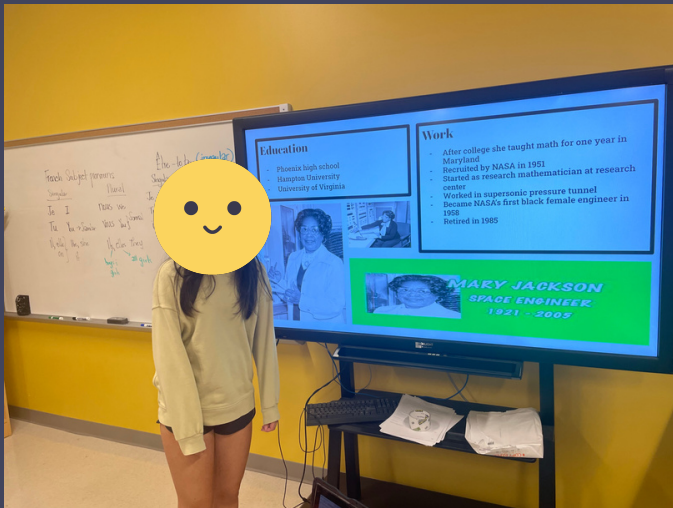


# RAMS Report!

**Congratulations to our  
Competition Cheer  
team for being  
awarded Grand  
Champions at the  
Atlanta Dance & Cheer  
Competition!**



## Engaging with Amplify!

Amplify is the ELA and Math curriculum used across Atlanta Public Schools. This curriculum consists of an online platform as well as print resources. Did you know there are tools that can be used at home for students to strengthen their skills for both contents? Check out the Caregiver Hubs for more information!

[tinyurl.com/AmplifyMathHoward](https://tinyurl.com/AmplifyMathHoward)  
[tinyurl.com/AmplifyELAHoward](https://tinyurl.com/AmplifyELAHoward)



## STEAM @ HOWARD

Each week scholars are introduced to a real-world problem. Scholars are then asked to explore the problem from the lens of STEAM. Examples of Real-World STEAM that we have explored include:

- STEAM Influencers to include disenfranchised groups
- Water crisis in Mississippi
- Hispanic Heritage Month and STEAM
- Sustainable Energy Solutions.

**We are looking forward to the entire staff participating in an ARTS integration professional learning in November!**



## HOW CAN FAMILIES BE INVOLVED?

- **Have a background in STEAM?**  
**Volunteer to be a speaker-** email [karla.lomax@apsk12.org](mailto:karla.lomax@apsk12.org)
- **Donate supplies:** batteries, construction paper, maker space supplies
- **Volunteer for the Tardy Desk:** [tinyurl.com/HowardTardy](https://tinyurl.com/HowardTardy)



## SPOTLIGHT ON 6TH GRADE!



- Students participated in a field trip to the Cobb Energy Center to see the Zulu African Acrobats!
- We are excited to welcome some of our 6th grade students to represent their grade level as a RAMBASSADOR!
- Students have been taking a deep dive into literacy with writing chapter books about the "War Horse" and completing book projects
- Our 6th grade scientists are busy working on their science fair projects and we can't wait to see their final products at the Fair on November 30th!
- Personalized Learning is getting started with Goal Setting and Reflection in our 6th grade classrooms!



## SPOTLIGHT ON 7TH GRADE!

- Students participated in a field trip to the Atlanta History Center where they explored life on the Smith's Farm in 1860
- Our ELA classes have been engaged in reading an award winning play, A Raisin in the Sun to develop understanding of citing text evidence and point of view
- Students have taken a deep dive into the memoir, "Born a Crime" in order to learn more about South African culture as well as address social and emotional standards. 7th graders will transition to learning about Southwest Asia in November!
- 7th grade scientists are exploring how body systems interact to perform life's processes! Ask your student how the reactants for cellular respiration make it to their body cells, see if they can tell you!
- Our mathematicians are working on combining like terms and solving equations through real world tasks!



## SPOTLIGHT ON 8TH GRADE!



- Our 8th grade scholars are about to embark on a deep dive of Gus Grimley's graphic novelization of "Frankenstein!" Students will close out the semester in this unit as they develop their knowledge of reading comprehension and argumentative essays.
- The mathematicians of 8th grade are finishing their study of Linear Relationships and moving to the exploration on Systems of Equations. Students will be using their skills to develop graphs, tables, and solve real world problems!
- STEAM is gaining momentum in our science classes as students have been engaging in hands-on lab experiences this semester. Students will begin the unit on Force and Motion next week to learn more about the Laws of Motion in the world around them! Students are also busy working on their science fair projects!

## SPOTLIGHT ON CONNECTIONS!

- The RAMS Chorus, Band, and Orchestra have represented our school over the past month in performances within the cluster! We are looking forward to the Winter concerts in December!
- Our Health classes have been busy exploring body systems and what types of diseases can impact each one,
- Students have the opportunity to engage in Coding techniques through Python Coding or Scratch Coding in our Business & Computer Science course!
- Students in the ESOL courses explored cultural differences among our Hispanic countries for Hispanic Heritage Month!
- World Language and Reading classes are heavily focused on building student's skills in oral reports as well as comprehension!
- Our scholars in PE are beginning to engage in team sports such as badminton and flag football!



## Winter MAP Testing is Coming!

★ MAP Reading Window: 11/4-11/11

MAP Math Window: 11/14-11/18

Please help to ensure all scholars are on time to school during the MAP window to assist in having a smooth testing session!



★ Congratulations  
to our Lady  
Rams who came  
in 2nd place in  
the District  
Softball  
Championship!



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★  
**Science FAIR**  
**NOVEMBER 30TH**



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

11/1- 11/3: Basketball  
tryouts @ 4:30PM

11/4: MAP Reading begins

11/11: 8th Grade Parent  
Coffee w/ Dr. Bockman  
@10AM

11/11: APS Honor  
Orchestra Clinic

11/14: MAP Math begins

11/16-11/17: District Honor Chorus Event

11/30: Science Fair

11/29-12/1: 8th Grade Cultural  
Experience Field Trips

12/5-12/9: Book Fair

12/6: Winter Orchestra Concert @  
Midtown HS- 6:30 PM

12/12: Winter Band Concert @ Midtown  
HS- 6:30 PM

12/13: Winter Chorus Concert @  
Midtown HS- 6:30 PM

