

# Coretta Scott King Young Women's Leadership Academy

## AUG-SEPT 2024 NEWSLETTER



## World Languages



CSK recently hosted three students from Okinawa, Japan, who shared their culture through traditional dances and karate, enhancing global exchange with our scholars. In Chinese classes, students participated in a PBL on chopsticks and physics, blending culture and science in a hands-on activity funded by Donor's Choose. French students are progressing through various topics while Spanish scholars explore the festival of San Fermin and Spanish-speaking countries; additionally, CSK held its first CIEE study abroad interest meeting, generating excitement for global study opportunities.

## Science

The Science Department is excited to offer young women a chance to explore engineering careers at the Georgia Tech Women in Engineering Conference on October 2, 2024, where they can learn about various engineering programs. In classrooms, students are engaging with real-world science challenges, such as addressing astronaut issues at the International Space Station. Additionally, students are beginning their science fair projects and can use the Science Department's tutorial day on Mondays for guidance and support.



## Fine and Performing Arts

The Fine & Performing Arts Department is thrilled for the new school year, with courses in Band, Chorus, Theater, Visual Arts, and Dance, and a showcase scheduled for October 3, 2024, at 5 pm. The Musical Theatre Department is preparing scenes from "Legally Blonde," "Aida," and "Hairspray," and organizing a Flashmob for Homecoming and a joint trip to the Atlanta Symphony. The Band is launching an All-Girls Drumline and preparing a STEAM-inspired halftime show for Homecoming on October 4, 2024.

# Counseling

The CSKYWLA Counseling Department is committed to a holistic, data-driven, and equity-focused approach to education, supporting students' academic, social-emotional, and career needs. Counselors Ms. Taylor Parnell, Ms. Tanya Ellis, and Ms. Kasola Rogers lead initiatives such as the REACH Scholar interviews, held on September 5, 2025, with the winner to be announced soon.

Programs like Not In My School (NIMS), which promotes leadership and anti-bullying, and the Safe Supported Group for Girls (SSGG), a support group for students dealing with grief, will begin in late September. The department also celebrates senior students Brianna Love and Iyaesola Clemmons, who have earned significant scholarships, setting an inspiring example for their peers.

Important Dates:

9-5-24-REACH Scholar Interviews ~ 9-6-24-North Atlanta College Fair ~9-13-24- National HBCU Week ~9-11-24- 9th/10th Grade Parent Night @6:00 PM ~ 9-12-24-11th Grade Parent Night @6:00 PM~9-12-24-Ga Tech College Visit @8:30 ~ 9-20-24-Probe College Fair ~9-24-24-Life University College Visit @8:30



## Mathematics

The Math Department is thrilled to kick off the new school year with renewed energy and enthusiasm! We're excited to announce that Ms. Robinson and Mrs. Trimble have been equipped with new calculators, which will enhance our students' learning experience. Additionally, we are actively analyzing assessment data to refine our instructional strategies and ensure we provide the best possible support for all our students. Here's to a fantastic year ahead filled with growth and success in mathematics!

## English Language Arts

The ELA department is buzzing with excitement as students embark on their first unit of the year. They are fully immersed in reading, analyzing, and writing, exploring literary themes and concepts with enthusiasm through creative projects and lively discussions. Looking ahead, we're excited to introduce a new Multicultural Literature class for juniors and seniors, which has already sparked significant interest. Students are especially thrilled about creating their own original poetry, adding a personal touch to their learning experience. Their first performances took place on Friday, August 30th, marking a vibrant start to the new school year.



## CTAE

At the 2nd Annual APS CTSO retreat, our CSK FFA officers took an active role in planning the Program of Activities for the upcoming year while participating in engaging team-building exercises. They dedicated time to analyzing their individual duties and roles, ensuring they are well-prepared for the challenges and opportunities ahead. This retreat provided our officers with valuable insights and a strong foundation to lead our FFA chapter to success in the new year.

# Special Education

Greetings to everyone. I am Ms. Butler. I am the new Department Chairperson and I am very excited about the new school year at CSKYWLA. Mr. Woodard is continuing his role as the SELT(Special Education Lead Teacher). We are already one month into the school year. Please encourage students to attend school regularly. Students need to come to school on time each day. Tutorials are in session for all classes.

Students should be attending tutorials weekly. We sent out welcome letters to the families of our students, and we have already started meeting with parents. If you have any questions, comments, contributions or concerns. Please feel free to call the school at (404) 802-4900. Let's have a GREAT school year!

## Social Studies

The Elections are Coming! The Elections are Coming!! Yes it's that time again and the Social Studies Department is excited to announce that our girls will be participating in a Mock Election through their Social Studies classes. It is our hope that we familiarize our students with the elections process as well as demonstrate the importance of using their right to vote! As an added bonus we will have the district's Voter's Registration but to come out and register the school's 18 year olds to register to vote!

The Social Studies Department is asking all eligible artist to participate in the 100th Birthday celebration for Georgia's former president Mr. Jimmy Carter. We are asking our artist to stop by your Social Studies teacher's classroom to enter into this contest.



## Officer Williamson

Congratulations on being recognized by Atlanta Public Schools! This is a well-deserved honor that reflects your dedication, hard work, and commitment to our school community. Your leadership and contributions make a significant impact on our students, staff, and the overall success of our school. We're incredibly proud to have you as a part of our team. Thank you for all that you do, and once again, congratulations on this remarkable achievement!

## Important Dates to Remember

CSK Royal Coronation September 26, 2024 6:00 pm – 7:15 PM

Royal Walk September 30th

Royal Bunch October 1st

Pep Rally October 3rd

Parent Showcase October 3rd 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Homecoming Game October 4th

International Day of the Girl October 11th

FAFSA Night October 29th

