

# CARTER CORPS NEWS

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## New School Policy: Take Off Your Headphones

**H**ave you ever accidentally ignored someone because you couldn't hear them over your earbuds? Ever been ignored accidentally because somebody couldn't hear you over their earbuds? The staff here at Carter have, and they aren't too happy about it, so they have officially put a new policy that will end this problem. Many students are aware (and mostly frustrated) that there is a strict, new "No Headphone" policy. This policy entails that no student should walk through the hallways wearing headphones or earbuds. Last year the headphone policy was to have one earbud in, and one earbud out. Apparently, this was not good enough.

When asked about her opinion on the new headphone policy, student, Mary Grace Neal responded with, "I understand why it was put in place, but I don't understand why they couldn't just keep last year's policy." Another student, Alexandra Britton, replied to this question by saying "It's honestly ridiculous, we're allowed to have our phones out in the hall; so, I don't understand why we couldn't have just kept our old policy." So one could say that there are plenty of students that aren't exactly "thrilled" about this new policy.

## Meet Three New CHS Staff Members

### Ms. Chollman (CDCA teacher):

*Have you enjoyed your time here so far?*

"I have. I have gotten to know my students really well, and they have fallen into a routine, and they are successful with it."

*Where are you from?*

"I am from Strawberry Plains. I graduated from Carter High School."



### Mrs. Brown (Freshman Principal):

*What subject did you teach before you were a principal?*

"I taught English for 10 years."

*Where are you from?*

"I graduated from West High and grew up in Knoxville."

*Do you like your co-workers so far?*

"Everybody I've met has been great. I just got to know Mrs. Cupp, and she is funny. The office ladies have been so nice and get me everything I need. The other administrators are a lot of fun to hang out with as well."

### Mr. Armstrong (Gym Teacher):

*What did you do before you came here?*

"I coached baseball, and I was a gym teacher at Sweetwater High School."

*Where are you from?*

"The Gibbs community."



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## A brief look and quick history of the Equality Club

Equality Club is an after school group at Carter High School. The goal of the club is to educate and freely discuss subjects of social acceptance and equal rights of all. The club is a safe place for all students. 11th grade student Elijah Freeman, says that for him, Equality Club is a place where he can express himself and have a good laugh. "It changed me because of the people there and the things we talked about opened my eyes to certain things" he adds. The club officially started meetings in fall 2017 but previously, the group originally met informally with two now-graduated students and

teacher Ms. Brewer (before moving to Halls). After that, the English teacher Ms. Shipman along with other English teachers Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Swafford. The teachers Ms. Shipman and Mr. Swafford have moved on to different schools, but Mr. O'Malley still sponsors the club. The group now meets in Mr. O'Malley's room 404 from 3:45 to 5:00. The club debates and discusses issues of inequality and the wellbeing of society. The club welcomes all students, wanting to make Carter a more welcoming and safe place for all groups, communities, and minorities.

Below: The Equality Club's new poster.



## Student fees due by Feb. 28th

Carter High School has announced the school fees to help cover the dues for the 2019-2020 school year. The senior fee for the upcoming graduates is \$25, and the money collected will provide for the diplomas and the graduation ceremony. There are also the fees that apply to all grades, the \$10 student fee and the \$15 technology fee that goes towards supplying the essentials such as printer ink and

stationary. The collected money will also work towards updating Carter's technology areas, such as the library, and replacing bulbs within the buildings. "We're looking towards replacing some of our computers." Ms. Davenport, the librarian, said after being asked about some of the possible updates. She explains after that the replacements would be provided for future students and last for the next couple of years to come. When asked about the deadline for the fees to be turned in, Ms. Eastridge, the bookkeeper, answered, "I'd like it by February 28th," but they can be turned in at any time during hive on Wednesdays before then.

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