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The CHS Boys Basketball Team Under Beaty Prepares for the 2021-2022 Season

Spencer Beaty, the coach of the CHS basketball team, has been coaching for 17 years. Beaty says that being a coach has changed and impacted his life in many ways. He talks about how it has allowed him to travel and go places he would never have gotten to if he was not a coach. He has also met new people and has learned how to be a better father to his own children. Beaty also says that being a coach impacts his family by affecting the time he spends with them. Before he became

a coach, he was an investigator for the Child Protective Services for Tennessee, so family is an important aspect of his life. Being a coach has enabled him to create relationships with his players and given him the ability to watch his players grow and continue their futures. He aims to teach his players to be responsible and a positive influence for others. Being a coach has been a good fit for Beaty because he's a very competitive person as well. The CHS basketball team has already held their

tryouts for the 2021-2022 roster and is currently practicing to get ready for their season. Beaty, along with the players, are ready and excited to play.



Opinion: The Devious Licks Trend Is Childish and Foolish

By Hope Barganier

Will the bathrooms ever be consistently unlocked? Maybe not if the Devious Licks trend continues. Devious Licks is a trend where students vandalize, destroy, or steal property from the school, other students, or even staff members. This trend started on the social media app TikTok and is very destructive. The destruction mainly occurs in the bathrooms here at Carter High School, hence the bathrooms being locked to stop more damage from occurring. It's also annoying to the teachers, staff members, and students who do not participate in it. Here at Carter, students participating in this trend have been a factor in almost all of the bathrooms being locked, and they are still causing more damage to the remaining bathrooms. The teachers

and staff are very tired of the shenanigans, and they think it is ridiculous that destroying property that belongs to the school (and not the students) is entertaining to certain students and the people on Tik Tok encouraging it. This trend should come to a stop for many reasons, but mainly because it is childish and foolish, does not follow student code, and is costing lots of money for many schools. Little children break stuff for entertainment, not people who are almost adults. It is foolish to contribute to something that is destroying property that isn't yours because if you're caught then you could get into some serious trouble, such as a charge for vandalism or destruction of property put on your record, which could most likely cost your future. Furthermore, this trend does not follow

school guidelines and student code. The students should respect school property because it does not belong to them but is provided for them by the school and the taxes that their parents pay. A third reason is that this trend is costing many schools all-around lots of money, money that could be used for many other things around the schools, like snacks for the students and vending machines. Someone participating in this trend might say it is fun/funny and entertaining, but this trend is not funny or enjoyable for many staff members and principals, and this trend could result in serious consequences. In conclusion, I think this trend is very ridiculous and childish, and should come to an end before it costs the school too much money and causes the bathrooms to be locked for good.

Educating, Motivating, and Producing Responsible Citizens of Tomorrow

Carter Choir Events Coming Soon

The choir has a huge event that you may audition for called “All East,” with “All State” following up on it. The concert is on November 20th at Maryville College. All of the East Tennessee school choirs are joining, and “All State” is in Nashville in spring. The choir at Carter has all types of students mixed together, ranging from sporty to artists. Two freshmen from the choir have claimed, “I like choir because it lets you express yourself in any way.” Also these students said they feel very accepted because of how many different types of people there are in the choir. Even though they are not all alike, they all have

one similarity: they are all trying hard, especially for “All East.” Only the best of the best will be going, so friendly competition is at an all time high. There is “All State” as well, the next level of “All East.” To join you have to have been in “All East,” re-audition, and go to Nashville in spring. The choir’s first event was on September 7th on a Tuesday. It was a musical revue with solos and duets. The musical *Meet Me in St. Louis*, which all drama, stage tech, and Vocal 1 students have been working so hard on, is coming on November 11th, 13th, and the 14th. In order to raise money for these events, the music department sold Nothing Bundt

Cakes. This has helped in their efforts to reach a budget of \$8,000 for the upcoming musical, *Meet Me in St. Louis*. One more thing: Mr. Webb has an ambition... an ambition to teach the whole school the fight song! So please make just a little effort to learn it to hype up Carter High School’s teams!



Stage Tech Students Work as Unseen Artists

The stage tech students are working hard to fabricate props and plans to use in this fall’s upcoming production, *Meet Me in St. Louis*. The students are working on some very specific projects right now, though it’s only the beginning of what they have to do throughout the rest of the semester. “We are working on a mural to hang outside the classroom to advertise the show, we’re analyzing the script, and we’re designing the sets. [At the beginning of the semester] we did research to figure out what things looked like back then,” said Mr. Webb, the head teacher of the musical theater class. Many of the students are involved in the painting process, along with the rest of the work. They are working together as a team to get the big projects done. Some may wonder, “Why analyze the script when you



aren’t the ones acting?” The students give a reason for this: “I think analyzing the text definitely gives you a feel for props, what you’re going to need,” said Alexis Montgomery, a sophomore in stage tech. The unseen artists study the play scripts in order to get in tune with the setting and help them decide what props to make. Without them, there wouldn’t be any props or decorations for the play. “They make things happen; they’re the backbone of everything. They’re the ladder that the actors get to stand on,” Mr. Webb adds. However, aside from the work aspect, the students also have a good social dynamic within the class. “Everybody becomes like family after we get to know each other for a long time,” Mr. Webb says. The stage tech students are working in unity for the good of the actors and the show.

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