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Carter High gets new chairs in the library

At the very beginning of the 2019-2020 school year the library got a serious upgrade to the computer chairs. The previous chairs that were there have been there since the current school building opened up. The new chairs are Node swivel chairs with a storage space underneath for backpacks, books, or anything you need while using

the computer. They have a lifetime warranty and fit any size student. The librarian, Ms. Davenport, states, "I am very grateful and excited that Ms. Messer approved and funded the new chairs." The decision to get new chairs was not made lightly. "The chairs were very expensive and are meant to last a long time," states Ms. Messer.

Right: This is one of the new chairs now in the library.



Opinion: Being an exchange student can be both scary and exciting

By Esther Uribarri

Being an exchange student in a country completely different from yours is scary, I am not going to lie. Every day is a challenge, and things that people believe are ordinary are not to you. People will talk to you about stuff that you have never heard about, and sometimes you will find yourself nodding in agreement even though you have never heard about any of the things they are telling you. Your first week in high school will be the craziest week of your entire year. You don't know where you are going and you feel like every day something new is going on. One of the craziest things that both Lina and I, an exchange student from Germany, had to face was enrichment. Nobody told us that students have to go to a different class depending on the day of

the week. So, for a week, I found myself going to the office every day trying to figure out where to go. Another thing that really shook me was the dress code. In Spain, you can wear whatever you want to class, and nobody would mind. So on my very first day, I got dress-coded because I did not know that it even existed. Cultural differences are also something that surprised us both exchange students and students of the high school. Every time I talk to a student about my country they are surprised about all the things that we don't have and that for them are normal I like food, certain food chains, types of clothes. But even though being an exchange student can be scary and hard at times, I would not change this experience for



Esther Uribarri (right) is an exchange student from Spain, and Lina Loock (left) is from Germany.

anything; all the people that I have met, all the different things I am experiencing. I am really glad I took this opportunity and I am really excited to experience even more new things.

Beloved teacher Mr. Cunningham sheds light on his past

A teacher with many talents has taught at Carter High School for twenty nine and a half years: Mr. Cunningham who currently teaches Contemporary Issues. He's a stunning and fun teacher to have in class. He makes the class interesting through demonstrations of battles by using students as examples of soldiers. Jacob Clifton, a senior, remarks, "Mr. Cunningham has killed me in every war or battle example in American history, Civil War to modern day." He began laughing as he recalled this. It is just one of the ways Mr. Cunningham has gotten the students engaged and made them feel like they were part of the action. Many students that had his class previously take his other class, Americans at War, just to be in his classroom again. Jacob Clifton is just one example of the variety of students that were entertained by his bizarre stories and fun ways of learning. If you had him for third block, you would find yourself practicing Kung Fu during the twenty minutes of activity time. He would grade you on participation and how well you executed the movements. Kaitlyn Oliver joked, saying that "It's almost as if he's training his own army for battle." Before being a teacher he

was in the army. He was stationed in Germany during the Vietnam War. He explained that being in the army is not something you forget, when he was asked what he enjoyed most about it, he said, "Driving through Europe in the tank." After the war, Cunningham decided to teach. One thing he got from the army was the excessive use of nicknames. He commonly renames his students; when he was asked why, he smiled and said, "To give them something special, that somebody cared enough to name [them]." He then went on to name off some of his students. "Giggles, Smiley, and Jack Rabbit": aka Kaitlyn Oliver, Aliyah Trammell, and Jacob Clifton. "It's a name that represents me!" says Kaitlyn Oliver, a senior. Every day, a handful of students will walk up to him and he will address them by their nickname. Most students have never heard him call them by their real name. He's an extraordinary teacher that deserves to be recognized. He's done a lot for his students and managed to gain respect from them. There is no teacher like Mr. Cunningham. "He's living his history," said Jacob.



Mr. Cunningham teaching Contemporary Issues while his students take notes.

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Upcoming Events

JV Volleyball Home Game:

- Sept. 17th CHS vs AE @5:30

Girls Soccer Home Game:

- Sept. 17th CHS vs Central @6

Football Home Game:

- Thursday Sept. 19th CHS vs Halls @7:30

College Fair:

- Sept. 24th @Jacobs Building

Senior Class Ring Assembly:

- Sept. 25th CHS auditorium @2:30



Mr. Cunningham gets his students engaged with his deadpan wit.

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