

# CARTER BUZZ

Publication of Carter Middle School

## From the Desk of the Principal

J.D. OVERTON



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Carter Middle School Families,

We are entering a very exciting Holiday season for both our students and staff. As we return from Thanksgiving break, I want to express how thankful we are for our students, families, and staff. Our commitment to each other is what makes our Carter Community so special. We are a Carter Family! This is especially true during the joyful holiday season. There are many things going on at Carter Middle School between now and the end of the semester that will be listed within our Newsletter and weekly emails. Please be on the lookout for these important dates.

We are excited to announce that our Beta Club performed very well at the state convention last week. Two of our Carter Middle School students will be moving on to the National Beta Club convention. Our Boys' and Girls' basketball teams, cheerleaders, and dance teams continue to compete and perform every week. They make Carter Middle School very proud! The Carter Middle School Band and Chorus will be performing on Tuesday, December 14th. Please come support these hard-working students.

Parents could view progress reports on Tuesday, November 23rd. Before and after school tutoring became available on October 19th in Math, ELA, Science, and Social Studies. Virtual tutoring for these subjects has also been available. This information can be found within the newsletter and on Carter Middle School's website. Please take advantage of these opportunities.

Mr. Bo Lewis has been selected as our Teacher of the Month for November. Mr. Lewis will always do what is in the best interest of our Carter Middle School students. He wears many hats here at CMS and CHS, and he is a perfect example of what it means to be a member of our Carter Family. Mr. Lewis is willing to do anything to help our students. Congratulations Mr. Lewis!

Mrs. Pam McNutt is our November Staff Member of the Month. Our staff and students benefit from Mrs. McNutt daily with her eagerness to help with any task. She also assists with our Beta Club and Student Government Association students. Staff and students can often see Mrs. McNutt anywhere in our building lending a helping hand. We appreciate everything she does! Congratulations Mrs. McNutt!

During visits to classrooms, we have seen remarkable teaching and learning. We will continue this through this semester and into next year.

Please let us know if there is ever anything we can help with.

Go Hornets!



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## Stanley's Section

JENNIFER STANLEY

The holidays are vastly approaching and our students are right in the thick of things. Here are a few things to remember. The 7th-grade field trip to the Main Event is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7th. All monies and permission forms are due by December 3rd. Any student who has received 2 Office Referrals or OSS will not be able to attend. On Tuesday, December 14th, the 7th grade will have their Winter Chorus and Band Concert at 7:30 P.M. Students who are enrolled in these two electives are required to attend. On Tuesday, December 15th, the Christmas store, and auction will take place. If anyone would like to make a monetary donation, please contact the school. The semester grading period will end on December 17th and winter break begins.

On Monday, January 17th we will celebrate Martin Luther King Day. As we celebrate this holiday, let's remember what Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. stood for, combating racial inequality through nonviolence. We, at Carter Middle School, believe in teaching tolerance. The Carter Middle School students focus on their social side of the middle years and getting along with each other. In order for our students to grow socially, it is important to understand how to have positive relationships and be able to coexist with each other. Students must know when it is okay to tell an adult when he or she may need help. Students must develop self-confidence within themselves, take ownership of their actions, and accept the consequences. Parents, please help us to help our students mature into responsible citizens.

Happy Holidays



## Adams's Anecdotes

DR. CLAIRE ADAMS

Hornets, we have a very busy few weeks ahead of us as we wind down the fall semester. The 6th grade will be going on a field trip, December 13th, to see the WordPlayers perform *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* at Pellissippi State. There is a Band and Chorus concert on December 14 at 6 pm in the gym. The in-school Christmas store and auction will be on December 15 for our students to use their PBIS points. And finally, on December 17, the first semester grading period will end, and it will be a ½ day for students.

And just like that, the old year has passed and a new one is beginning. As I reflect on the past year, I am reminded again and again that I am so blessed to be back in the Carter Community. You and your students are such a blessing to me every day. I hope and pray that you and yours have a wonderful holiday season and are blessed with a very happy 2022! Remember we love you and Go Hornets!

***"What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!" — Dr. Seuss***

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## Ramsey's Review

JOEY RAMSEY



Hello Hornet Family,



We are approaching the holiday season and the end of the first semester. Our students have been great, and I am so proud of them. The start of basketball season has been a success and I want to thank you for supporting our student-athletes. We are in the process of planning an 8th-grade trip once again. We are working out the details and will have information for you soon. This time of year is really busy and I would like to encourage you to keep an eye on your student's grades in Aspen. Thank you once again for allowing me to serve as your assistant principal  
GO HORNETS!!!!

## Media Center News

RACHEL SMITH

You may not be able to visit the Carter Middle School Library over the holiday break, but you still have access to a wide selection of eBooks and audiobooks from MackinVIA and Follett Destiny Discover. You can find links to these digital titles from the Library webpage, the Library Canvas Course, or by using the following information.

Happy Holiday Reading!!

	
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Dates for December

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## December 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Home Basketball game against Whittle Springs	3 Tacky Christmas Dance	4 
5	6 In-school Basketball Game at Powell	7 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pre ACT Test	8	9 Home Basketball game against Vine	10	11
12	13 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip Home Basketball game against Northview	14 Band and Chorus Concerts	15 Christmas Store and Auction	16 Away game against Halls	17 ½ Day for Students	18 Winter Holidays
19 Winter Holidays	20 Winter Holidays	21 Winter Holidays	22 Winter Holidays	23 Winter Holidays	24 Winter Holidays Christmas Eve	25 Winter Holidays Christmas Day
26 Winter Holidays	27 Winter Holidays	28 Winter Holidays	29 Winter Holidays	30 Winter Holidays	31 Winter Holidays	



## January Important Dates



January 3 - Inservice date for teachers

January 3 - Away Basketball Game

January 4 - First Day for Students

January 6 - Home Basketball Game

January 17 - No School Martin Luther King Holiday

