



CFK Academy Newsletter



Academy Awards

By: Nina Ward

On Friday, November 8th, the Academy Awards were held at the Tennessee Williams Theater. This special event celebrated the many achievements of the students at CFK Academy. Students on the Principal's List, Honor Roll and Student Council were awarded as well as students that participated in Community Day, the Creepy Campus fundraiser, food drive and fall sports. CFKA's achievement of being an A-rated school was also recognized. The awards consisted of tiny "tuga" charms in a variety of colors. Students will be able to collect these charms at each Academy Awards event to display on their lanyards.



Senior students being awarded to the Principal's List from left to right: Lela Griffin, Charlotte Johnson, Wesley Kuluga and Noah Schneider



Freshman Honor Roll students from left to right: Jonathan Downing, Kyra Shephard, Jesse Smeltzer and Jackson Mitchell

ATTENTION PARENTS!

Parent Advisory Council

By: Aydin Alexander

On November 18th, the CFK Academy Parent Advisory Council, or PAC, held its first monthly meeting. The PAC is a small council of parents, staff, and administrators who work together to enhance student experiences at the school. The group approved by-laws, elected officers, and discussed upcoming events: Prom, the Sweetheart or Not Dance, and field trips. The PAC will meet the 3rd Monday of each month. The next meeting is December 16th. Parents will soon be receiving a survey to gather feedback and input. For further information, please contact the Vice Principal, Ms. Jen Alexander at: jen.alexander@CFK.edu.

Food Drive for SOS Foundation

By: Kyra Shephard and Claire Massih

CFK Academy juniors and seniors are hosting a food drive to raise money for the SOS Foundation. As the foundation for the senior project, the goal is to collect 1000 pounds of food over the span of eight weeks. There are weekly inter-class challenges for prizes, and a grand prize for the class that collects the most food. Students need to put their name on the food they bring in for a chance to win. The food will be collected on Friday mornings during leadership homerooms. So far we have collected 630 pounds of food out of our 1000 pound goal.

Week Eight: Final Stretch

Anything from the last 7 weeks, plus pet Food, candy, school supplies, etc.)

Starts: Nov. 18th

Ends: Nov. 22nd

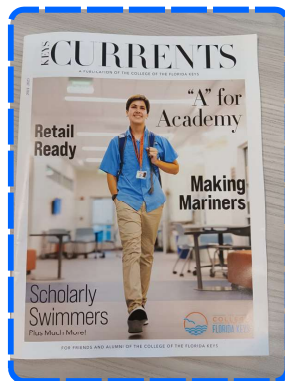


CFKA Featured in *CURRENTS*

By: Macey Carey

CFKA Academy students were featured in the College of the Florida Keys *CURRENTS* magazine. Throughout the articles, CFKA students are recognized for their achievements at the STEM fair, attendance at Academic Challenge, and talents that they show around campus. *CURRENTS* acknowledges the determination of CFK Academy students and congratulates the school for earning an “A” grade school in the district.

Sophomore and DE student Dahlia Genest featured in an *CURRENTS* magazine article.



Freshman and DE student Carson Crockett is featured on the *CURRENTS* magazine front cover.

Upcoming Dates:

November

22nd:

Friendsgiving



November 25-29:

No School -

Thanksgiving

Break

December 4th:

Civics & Literacy Exam

December 9: STEM

Fair/Open House;

Alg, Geo, Bio, US

Hist EOCs

December 11: F.A.S.T.

Reading PM 2

December 13th:

Ginger Bread

Build Off



December 16:

PAC Meeting

December 17th:

End of semester

exam P.1

December 18-20th

Early Release

@11:30am

18th: Period 2&3

19th: Period 4&5

20th: Period 6&7

December 23-

January 6th

Winter Break: NO

SCHOOL



Community Day

By: Jarret Miller

On Saturday, November 2nd students participated in the CFK Community Day event. Our booth was called, "What's In A Name?" Students created posters, made name art, painted faces and created electronic word art. Student volunteers had a lot of fun.



Students looked at their names through a new light by looking into the history of their names.



Liam Kloepfel, George Bueno, and Aydin Alexander stand in front of a CFK sign.



Kids enjoyed name art, and a very happy guest shouted: "Mommy my name's in a heart."



Students Emily Nolasco and Caylee Moore pose next to the college mascot, Shell.



Student Melody Vera paints someone's face, while Emily Anderson sits in the background.



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Club News And Updates

NHS/NJHS

By: Keirra Austin

The NHS and NJHS car wash happened on November 16, and raised \$550 dollars. It was a major success.



Students (left to right) Lela Griffin, Carson Crockett, George Bueno, Sofi Willstrop, Keirra Austin, and Wen Wang, wash cars at the NHS car wash.

Dual Enrollment Spotlight

By: Hadden Miller and Malique Gordon

Name and Grade: **Carson Crockett, Freshman.**

Reason: "I wanted to get ahead."

Signing Up: **It was fairly easy.**

Effect on High School: **Barely any effect; need to use time wisely.**

Advice: **Make sure the class fits your schedule.**

Classes: **Student Success, Intro to Computers.**



Carson Crockett

Senior Spotlight

By: Nina Ward



Name: **Lela Griffin**

Future Plans: **Hope to go to college to get a Bachelors in ASL interpretation, pass national interpreter certification, continue and get Masters in psychology LCSWA.**

Hobbies: **Student Government Association, Secretary of Gay Straight Alliance, President of National Honor Society, Interact Club, Keys Coral Arts, actor at Fringe Theater, employed at Jersey Mike's, Phi Theta Kappa.**

Favorite Quote: **"Right? They are like pretty pink pillows on his face." - From the play 'Hitler's Tasters'**

How Long Have You Been in the Keys? **My entire life.**



Team Building

By Macey Carey

Friday's team building activity was "Capture the Flag". Students participated in the game on random teams, crawling on their knees to capture their flag and help their classmates out of jail.



Students, from left to right: Isabella Rivera, Liam Kloeppel, Keirra Austin, Michael Garcia, Phoenix Spencer, Koa Quiring, Johnny Carbaugh, Jesse Smeltzer, Haven Andrade, and Samson Fernsel.



Students crawling, left to right: Aydin Alexander, Hadden Miller, Carson Crockett and Jarrett Miller.

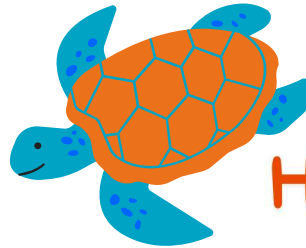
Veterans Day Letters

By: Emily Anderson

The week leading up to Veterans Day, students were asked to write letters to local veterans to spread appreciation for their service. Students also drew on these letters to add a personal touch. Students signed posters that said 'thank you' for serving our country. These posters were hung at various locations in the community. The letters and the posters were distributed at the VFW, American Legion, the VA Medical Facility, and the College of the Florida Keys Veterans Affairs Office. Students enjoyed expressing gratitude for the service and sacrifices that veterans made.



One of the signs that students signed during school.

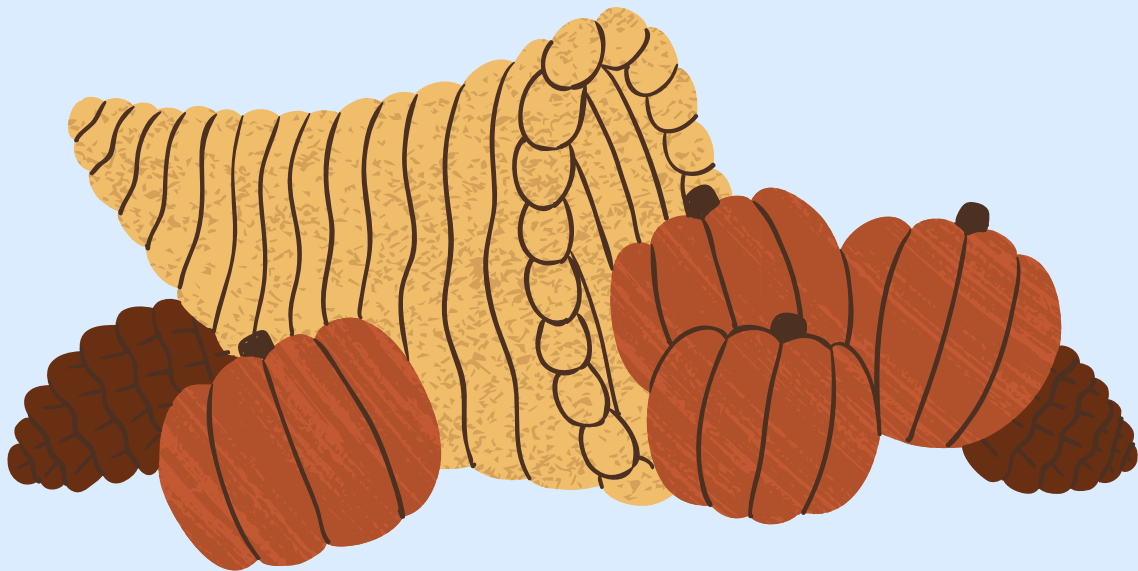


Happy Thanksgiving
Break!



FRIENDS GIVING

Lunch



NOVEMBER
22

11:50 A.M. ON FRIDAY

Let's eat, drink, and be merry!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BABA723A4FAC70-52887849-friendsgiving#/>



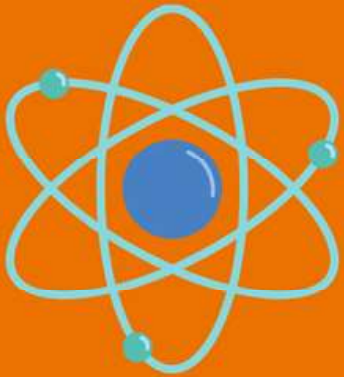
CFK
ACADEMY

STEM FAIR

OPEN HOUSE

DECEMBER 9, 2024

5:00-6:30 P.M.



STUDENT SHOWCASE
5901 COLLEGE ROAD
KEY WEST, FL 33040



ACADEMIC CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT

9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
DECEMBER 9, 2024

Marathon High School
350 Sombrero Beach Rd, Marathon, FL 33050



FREE TRY SCUBA DIVING



SUNDAY MORNINGS

6 SPOTS AVAILABLE

RSVP WITH INSTRUCTOR

JOSH: 808-482-0036

LOOE KEY REEF RESORT

MEETING AT DIVE SHOP

8:00 AM

1-2 HOURS AT THE POOL