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Hello Confluence Community,

This past month, we were reminded once again of just how much is possible when a community comes together around its scholars. Our students experienced some truly memorable moments — from an inspiring speaker series at GCAA celebrating Black History Month, to a very special visit at South City from the new host of Reading Rainbow, we've seen big names, big energy, and big impact in our schools.

Our partnerships continue to open doors as well, with CPA scholars getting a firsthand look at luxury hospitality at the Ritz-Carlton, Old North families gathering at a HomeWorks dinner, and South City students enjoying a free book fair made possible through Our Kids Read, KidSmart, and Scholastic Dollars.

Walk and Talk Tours begin at our schools this month, and please be sure to share with family and friends looking for an amazing school community that we are [enrolling new students](#) for the 2026–2027 school year.

A reminder that Spring Break is just around the corner, beginning March 16th. Students return to class on March 23rd.

Thank you for your continued support of our scholars. We are proud to serve our students and families!

Warm Regards,

Linda DeJoie-Anderson
Student Recruitment & Community Outreach Coordinator



Parents' Advisory Meeting Invite

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Book It!

Please join us for an important Parents' Advisory Meeting
Wednesday, March 11, 2026
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Main Office Conference Area

Focus Group Planning & Parent Input Needed!
Dinner and refreshments will be served!

Confluence Academy 310 N. 15th Street STL MO 63103
 RSVP (314) 588-1088
 Please RSVP by March 6, 2026
 Presence Pays Off: Win Big Just for Showing Up
 Attendance Prizes will be awarded!

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¡Únase a nosotros para un Evento Importante.
Reunión de Padres,
Miércoles: Marzo 11, 2026
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 Área de conferencias de la oficina principal

¡Se necesita planificación de grupos focales y aportes de los padres!
¡Se servirá cena y refrescos!

Academia Confluence 310 N. 15th Street STL MO 63103
 RSVP (314) 588-1088 Por favor, confirme su asistencia
 Antes de Marzo 6, 2026
 Tu presencia tiene premio: ¡Gana solo por asistir!
 Se otorgarán premios a los asistentes!

4-6 p.m. at Confluence Preparatory Academy. This meeting will help shape upcoming parent focus groups and ensure family voices continue to guide our work. Join us to share your ideas, connect with school leaders, and help strengthen support for our students.

Dinner and refreshments will be served, and attendance prizes will be awarded—presence pays off! RSVP today: (314) 588-1088.

Reminder: [Confluence Academies](#) will be closed Monday, March 16th-20th for Spring Break. Also, looking ahead, no students on Friday, April 3rd and Monday, April 6th.

Reading Rainbow Host Visits South City



South City Academy students excitedly welcomed Mychal Threets, the new host of [Reading Rainbow](#). He shared his new book, [I'm So Happy You're Here](#) and talked about the joy of reading. He also donated 200 copies of his book to the school. A special thanks to the St. Louis Public Library for making the visit possible—families can also [watch the new Reading Rainbow trailer](#) on YouTube.

Audubon Center at Riverlands



Old North and South City Students traveled to the [Audubon Center at Riverlands](#) in West Alton for a hands-on nature adventure. Using binoculars, they scanned the skies and wetlands for birds—and even got to see several birds up close. Located along the Mississippi River between the confluences of the Missouri and Illinois rivers, the center sits in one of the Midwest’s most important migratory bird habitats—making it an incredible place to explore wildlife and learn about conservation.

Confluence Preparatory Academy





CPA Career and Technical Education scholars took part in Luxury Hospitality and Tourism Preview Day at the Ritz-Carlton, getting an inside look at what it takes to run a world-class luxury brand.

From concierge services and marketing to culinary operations and financial management, scholars experienced the full scope of the industry firsthand. The Ritz-Carlton team delivered an exceptional, thoughtfully curated experience from start to finish. We are grateful for their partnership and dedication to our students.



CPA Culinary Scholars brought Black Excellence to the lunch table, serving up homemade sweet potato pie and banana pudding in celebration of Black History Month. This has quickly become one of CPA's favorite traditions, and this year was no exception. A heartfelt thank you to our talented scholars for the time, care, and skill they put into every bite!



[Today for CPA's 5th Annual Golf Tournament:](#)
Join us in Forest Park for a great day on the course while helping us raise funds for a new scoreboard and essential athletic equipment.

[Can't play? Be a sponsor!](#)

We hope to see you on the green on July 9th.

Grand Center Arts Academy



GCAA hosted keynote speakers every Friday during Black History Month to connect students with history, legacy, and the arts.

Speakers included **Jahi Eskridge**, grandson of Chuck Berry and local musician, pictured above standing next to student artwork inspired by his grandfather's iconic red guitar; **Dr. Harvey Fields**, Founding Dean and Assistant Professor of Chemistry in the College of STEM at Harris-Stowe State University, who shared powerful insights on education and opportunity; and the incredible **Isaac Keys IV** — actor, public speaker, former NFL athlete, and brand ambassador — who challenged students to embrace rejection, stay prepared, and trust the process.



Mr. Kuehn's Painting 2 students created these truly impressive Cubist works this quarter. Their creativity, technique, and bold interpretations shine through in every piece. We're excited to share their fantastic artwork with you.

Mark your calendars for March 25th! Students and families are invited to the Grand Center Arts Academy College Fair from 4–6 p.m.

Students will have the opportunity to chat with representatives from 2-year and 4-year colleges, trade schools, and pre-college and summer programs. Plus, there will be information on financial aid and scholarships.

Old North Academy



Old North third graders visited the historic Old Courthouse for a hands-on history lesson organized by librarian Mr. Mack. Students explored the courtrooms where landmark cases were argued, including the freedom suit filed by Dred and Harriet Scott, as well as the cases of more than 300 enslaved people who sued for their freedom.



Old North Academy students, families, and educators gathered for a special Black History Month Celebration. Thank you to [Home Works](#) for providing a delicious meal and valuable family resources, and to Grand Center Arts Academy's Dance Pathway students for an inspiring performance that made the evening even more memorable.

South City Academy



Thanks to [Our Kids Read](#), [KidSmart](#), Scholastic Dollars, and other generous donors, South City students enjoyed a Free Book Fair! Every student in PreK–8 selected brand-new books to take home and grow their personal libraries.

Please find a list of [local resources available throughout the St. Louis area to help with food, financial, and housing needs here](#). If you have questions or need additional support, please reach out to your school's main office for guidance.



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