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Fine Arts are Key to Well-Rounded Education

44 Zucker Middle School Students Identified as Artistically Gifted and Talented

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Artistically gifted and talented students are those who are identified in fourth through twelfth grade as demonstrating high performance ability or potential in artistic areas. Charleston County School District is committed to providing a challenging and stimulating curriculum for these students to help them achieve their potential. This year, forty-four students at Jerry Zucker Middle School have been identified as artistically gifted and talented in at least one of four areas including art, dance, drama and music. These students were nominated last year by a teacher, administrator, parent or themselves to be evaluated for the Charleston County School District Artistically Gifted and Talented program. They then underwent a rigorous evaluation process which included written recommendations and referrals, a taped screening or digital portfolio, an audition and an interview. These students now have numerous opportunities to cultivate and develop their artistic talents, including summer arts programs, youth orchestral and vocal ensembles, and drama and dance groups. Many students identified as artistically gifted and talented are accepted to the Charleston County School of the Arts where they further hone their artistic abilities. Jerry Zucker Middle School is very proud of each of these forty-four students and extends to them best wishes with their artistic endeavors. For more information about the Charleston County School District Artistically Gifted and Talented program, contact Mr. James Brooks, guidance counselor at 767-8383.

The Jerry Zucker Middle School students identified as Artistically Gifted and Talented include Heather Acevedo-Ramirez, Nishiema Austin,

Joshua Bailey, Raven Bailey, Jessica Boyd, Johnieyer Bragg, Cherokee Buggs, Chanel Clarke, Sheniah Everson, Gerard Feurtado, Sandi Fuerte-Garcia, Mikayla Fushay, Jaelyn Gadsden, Kelise Gadsden, Ayleen Galvan, Kiajaneese Gillyard, Daniel Gross, Kayla Humphries, Jira Jones, Toray Kennedy, Rebecca Kimbrell, Zaria Lyde, Damazae Miller, Viia Miller, Brooklyn Mitchell, Jovanna Montero-Fernandez, Victor Nelson, Sara Porter, Martin Pringle, Shyla Richardson, Tyzell Richardson, Jasmine Sanders, Elester Sandi, Breonna Simmons-Lingard, A'Janay Smith, Oscar Smith, Angie Solis, Mikayla Spells, Ta'Jarus Thompson, Destiny Triplett, Dezmond Triplett, and Tanzania Williams.

For more information regarding this event, please contact Principal Jacob Perlmutter or librarian Miranda Cary at (843) 767-8383.

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