

CARRINGTON CURRENT

Carrington School is a community dedicated to personal and intellectual growth.

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Welcome to the 2014-2015 School Year

The mission of Carrington School is to provide high quality education in a caring and nurturing environment where students may realize and fulfill their social, academic, and civic responsibilities.

Visitor Policy Requires Identification and Approval

Waterbury Board of Education policy requires that, prior to entering the school, all visitors identify themselves, state the purpose of their visit, upon entry sign-in at the office, submit and leave photo ID to receive a visitor's badge, and at the conclusion of the visit return the visitor's badge to retrieve their photo ID. Requests to meet with a teacher require 24-hour notice.

Superintendent Came to Carrington Day One

We were pleased today to welcome Dr. Ouellette. She and Chief Academic Officer Cullinan toured schools of Waterbury to greet students, teachers and administrators. Khalil Martinez and Steven Epps had just finished lunch.



Kindergartners practiced bus ride. (above) After their orientation last Thursday, new kindergartners and their parents boarded the school bus for a practice ride.



Teachers started last week. (left) In the school library last Thursday, all Carrington teachers considered best practices of teaching and learning.

Carrington School Changes for the 2014-2015 School Year

- **Seventh Grade** – Seventh graders, including 60% who have been at Carrington School since kindergarten, will expand their studies. Approximately 25 7th graders will build writing abilities through the Middle School Writing Project at Education Connection in Litchfield. Carrington's motivated writers will meet with students from four other school districts six times in the school year.
- **Spanish Language** – Teacher of Spanish Tara Allen will join the Carrington faculty this year, and teach the language during the first semester. Children of the younger grades will be taught the phonemes (the sounds) of Spanish, and learn some simple vocabulary of Spanish. Ms. Allen will then move to Gilmartin School for the second semester.
- **Technical Education** – Last year Technical Education teacher Theresa Foulds taught at Carrington two afternoons per week. This year Ms. Foulds will teach every day in the second semester at Carrington.
- **Science Program** – Carrington School's two main parts to its Science program. Mrs. Ford is the teacher of Science for the 7th grade, and will teach younger students in collaboration with other teachers. Second, Carrington teachers of grades 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 are engaged in a professional development program for Science teaching. Students will observe, analyze, and record science phenomena.
- **Teachers New to Carrington** - Teachers new to Carrington include Nancy Silva and Stephen Carousella – 5th grade, Cody Fusco, 2nd grade.. Alex Mollengarden, 4th grade. Miss Pentlicki though not new to Carrington, this year will teach 2nd grade. For 7th grade, teachers are: Marnie Ford – Science, Ivan Hernandez – Math, Jodi Sarlo – Language Arts, and James R. Thomas – Social Studies. Bob Shagensky is our new Math Coach, shared with Bunker Hill School.
- **Carrington Now Cooks** – For the first time, Carrington students will enjoy freshly cooked food. Becki Burke is our chef.

CARRINGTON CALENDAR Monday, September 1, Labor Day, School Closed
See the Waterbury Public Schools Calendar on page 2.