

The Work Has Just Begun

After-School Lessons

When the final bell rang at the end of the day, students were seen running left to right in search of exits. Many were heading home in search of a snack, their nice cozy beds, or just to relax in front of the television. That was not the story for all students. A few had other responsibilities.

"Piano lessons help me express myself," said senior Shunté McClellan. "Any time I'm mad, I can come in and bang my frustrations away!"

Shunté had to practice her piano music for at least an hour a day. She also had to practice her clarinet for band class each day.

Those few students that had after-school lessons had a lot in common even though their interests were different. Jason Craven, who is a black belt, had to take on the responsibility of teaching karate classes and playing in the band as well.

"The only thing I hate about teaching karate," said sophomore Jason Craven, "is that it takes too much time away from my other hobbies."

Many students did not just take these lessons because they liked them, but they thought it would grow into a career. Justin Ulrich thought that his singing in chorus and his guitar lessons would help him fulfill his dreams.

"I want to be a country music singer," said junior Justin Ulrich. "Most male country singers do play guitars."

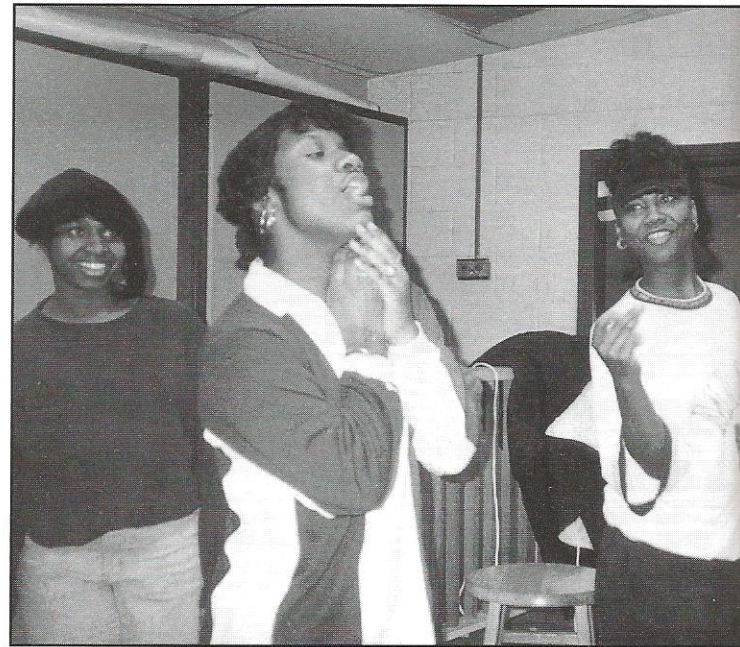
Students who took after-school lessons tried not to let them interfere with their school work as it did with their social lives.

— Muriel Fryar



"My piano lessons are worth the money. Piano is one of the many positive things I do with my time."

— Taheshia Jenkins

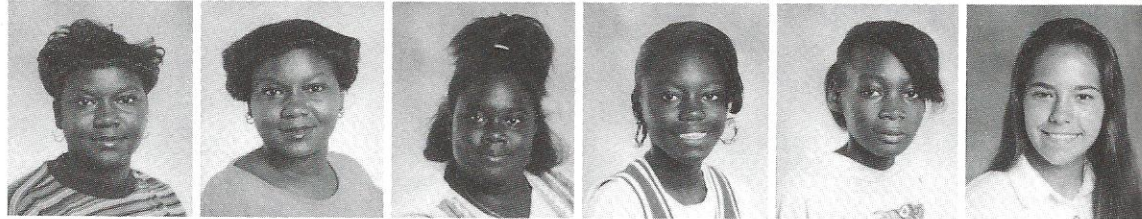


Give me a break. Joking around during an after-school chorus practice, Wilsey McCray and Kelly Foster put on Apollo while Toya Maree looks on.

Tawana Johnson
James Johnson
Jeffery Jones
Tamika Jones
Amanda Judy
Laura Kemp



Brandy Kinard
Chris Kinard
Willona Kinsey
Lakeshia Kirkland
Priscilla Kitchen
Elizabeth Kitler



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