

Aurora Public Schools

One on One with APS Students: Julian McHenry



Aurora Public Schools is abounding with great students who are role models to their peers, family and community. Periodically, we like to catch up with these students and find out interesting facts and tidbits about them.

Julian McHenry, ninth-grader, William Smith High School

What is your favorite subject in school?

Acting/theatre is my favorite subject. It lets me change my character, which appeals to me because it forces me to go outside of my comfort zone.

What has been your favorite part about high school so far?

I love the school and everything about it, including the teachers. It's just a different approach than middle school.

How has your visual impairment impacted your learning and how have you overcome this obstacle?

Using iPad apps has really helped me. I can use an app to change the lighting for me on the promethean board in class. I also ask a lot of questions!

What do you want to do when you graduate from high school?

First off, I want to go to college. After that, I want to become an author and get my books published.

Who do you look up to the most in your life?

I look up to my friends and family. Most of my family is out in the field (military). I'm the only one who is not going to join the military, so it's pretty noble.

What are some of your interests and hobbies?

Writing and music are some of my favorite things to do. I get ideas from world events and merge them into fiction or nonfiction material. I just picked up the music interest a few months ago. I play the piano, drums and the violin.

APS to Hold Attendance Area Open Houses

APS has established a committee to recommend the attendance area for the new P-8 school currently under construction on the APS Community Campus near 2nd Avenue and Airport Boulevard.

Attendance area options will be presented to the community in a series of open houses. Community members are welcome to attend any of the open houses listed below.

Wednesday, Oct. 8

5-7 p.m.

East Middle School
1275 Fraser St., 80011
Cafeteria

Thursday, Oct. 9

5-7 p.m.

Vista PEAK Exploratory P-8
24551 E. 1st Ave., 80018
Lobby

Tuesday, Oct. 14

5-7 p.m.

William Smith High School
400 Airport Blvd., 80011
Cafeteria

Wednesday, Oct. 15

5-7 p.m.

Tollgate Elementary School
of Expeditionary Learning
701 S. Kalispell Way, 80017
Cafeteria

Thursday, Oct. 16

5-7 p.m.

Aurora Frontier P-8
3200 S. Jericho Way, 80013
Media Center

Based on the data collected and community input, the committee will present recommendations to the APS Leadership Team and the Board of Education in November. The Board will make a decision on the P-8 attendance area in December, and the new boundaries will go into effect in the 2015-16 school year.

To learn more about the attendance area process, visit aurorak12.org/boundary.

