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## CHS SOFTBALL TEAM PREPARES FOR SPRING SEASON

During the off season with Carter softball, the team has been working out two to three times a week. They are hitting and practicing also two to three times a week. They work really hard to have a good season. Coach Burkhart said, "I think we will have another great season with the group of girls we have." The pitchers pitch two days a week with the catchers and have a little workout afterward to get stronger for the season and get their arm strength up.



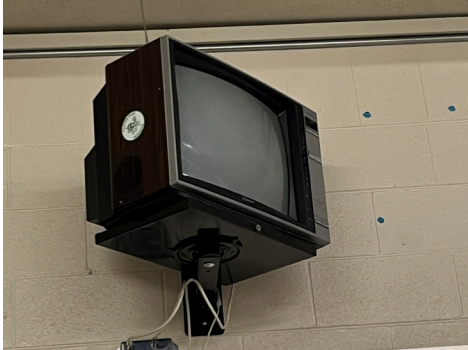
Above: Last year's CHS softball team poses for a picture at the end of the season.

### Upcoming Softball Games

2/25: @ Heritage  
3/2: @ Maryville (Scrimmage)  
3/4: @ Ripken Jamboree  
3/16: Maryville  
3/17-18: @ Tiger Classic  
3/21: @ Northview  
3/23: @ Grace Christian  
3/24-25: Carter Classic  
3/27: Hardin Valley  
3/28: Seymour  
3/30: Grainger  
3/31: @ Cocke County

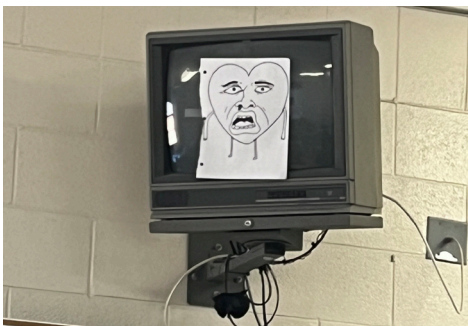
## INVESTIGATION INTO AGING, UNUSED TVs IN CLASSROOMS

By: Kylie Hancock



Above: This is the TV in Ms. Wimer's room.

Below: The TV in Mr. O'Malley's room has not been used in so long that it is unplugged and decorated with student "art."



What's up with the bulky TVs in most classrooms? These TVs seem to have been here forever. Let's see how long they've actually been here. Mr. McGee is a teacher here at Carter High School. He attended Carter and graduated in 2004. He began teaching in 2010 and has been teaching at Carter for 10 years now. When asked, "Do you know what year the TVs originally got here?" McGee says, "I would say between the 80's and '90s." His father used to work here at Carter when Mr. McGee was a child and he has memories of watching cartoons on them when he would sit in the classroom. He says, "cable was pretty expensive back then so I would just come watch cartoons on them when I would wait for my dad." Mr. McGee explained how his teacher turned on the classroom TV to watch 9/11 on it. He thinks that

the TVs have been left up because they are a "relic at this point." It's so crazy how these TVs could access so much. Why would the school let the TVs have so much to watch on them? Since they are in a school, you would expect them not to have much on them besides educational programs. Pagie Hancock is a teacher at Carter Middle School. She also attended Carter High School and graduated in 1998. When asked when the TVs got there, she said, "I honestly have no clue. They were there all of my high school years." She remembers watching science programs on them and fighting not to fall asleep because the programs were so boring. So, not much information was really found about these "historic" TVs. Few really know the exact year they were put up, so it seems as though this will remain a mystery for now.

## MRS. CHUN: HARDWORKING TEACHER

By: Ace Lowe



Mrs. Chun, a Biology and Chemistry teacher, prides herself on teaching Biology to many students here at Carter High School. She invests 8 hours of her everyday life teaching students and helping them learn more about the amazing world of Biology. Mrs. Chun states, “I took a really round-about way to get my degree.” She was on the doctorate track at the University of Tennessee to get her Ph. D in biochemistry. After a few years she realized she hated research and loved teaching so she quit her Ph. D program and joined the College of Education to start teaching. Mrs. Chun stated, “My plan was to be a college professor when going into the Ph. D program.” She is more familiar with Biology so it’s easier to think of examples or alternate ways of explaining concepts that go along with Biology. She says, “Chemistry is more about chemical bonding in physical science whilst Biology is a life science.” Her favorite type of Biology is molecular biology which is the intersection between biology and chemistry. It’s when the small

chemical molecules interact. Mrs. Chun also stated that, “When I was in high school I took a Microbiology class and I always knew I wanted to do something medical related or research based.” Mrs. Chun states that, “I would prefer to have more time before state testing or just not have it at all for Biology.” There isn’t enough time beforehand to cram everything in before state testing seeing as biology is a state tested class. She says, “I like the experiments and labs are fun.” She likes when students get the composure of looking into microscopes. She also likes the dissections. She says, “It’s fun to gross the students out while doing these experiments.” Asha Carter, a current CHS senior, says, “I like doing the projects and how funny she is.” Her favorite project was when they dissected frogs. She also stated, “The classroom is peaceful and comforting.” She enjoys the setting of Mrs. Chun’s classroom just as much as she loves Mrs. Chun. Mrs. Chun’s classroom is a very welcoming place for those who pay attention and engage in the conversations during class. Mrs. Chun said, “I don’t take work home anymore because I used to stay up all night preparing for the next day.” Mrs. Chun also stated that, “I don’t change things all at once to help balance work and home life.” She says, “If I change something I can do it within my planning time.” She has a two year old son that is very funny and weird. She likes spending time with her husband. Her husband is her favorite person. Mrs. Davidson, a chemistry teacher here at Carter says, “Me and Mrs. Chun participates in several things outside of school. We go to

plenty of Carter events like Prom, Football games, Musicals, etc.” As you can see Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Chun are good friends and enjoy teaching in the same vicinity. It was definitely a blast to know both of them.



Animal and plant cell projects from Mrs. Chun’s class.

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