



AIM HIGHLIGHTS

Villa Saturday Session at Christner Inc.

On Saturday February 13th, twenty-five Aim High Achievers from Villa visited Christner Inc., an architectural firm. The morning started with the architects and designers showing students some of the designs the firm had worked on. They explained how important it is to get ideas down on paper. Every great project starts with a simple sketch! With that, the Christner presenters invited students to begin sketching ideas for a tree house for the Missouri Botanical Gardens. Would the treehouse be used for play or education? What materials would best suit the purpose of the treehouse? There were plenty of materials to choose from: popsicle sticks, wooden rods, swatches of faux leather and suede, pipe cleaners, twine, and many other choices. Glue gun in hand, each student dove right in and got creative. The results were varied and impressive with math clubs, chill zones, retractable roofs for star-gazing and even sky-high basketball courts! Thank you to our partners at Christner for this interactive and fun Saturday session, we will definitely be back again!



Priory Students Visit Clayco

On Saturday, February 20 the Priory "Crew" explored design and building at Clayco. They were first welcomed by Chariman and CEO, Bob Clark. They then divided up into groups to learn more about each of their companies: Clayco, Concrete Strategies, Forum Studios and Lift. One of the exercises was to create a concept drawing of a house for the client--Lucky Charms Elf, using design questions. The students sketched their ideas as they asked questions of what Mr. Charm wanted in his new house. The students also used legos to build models of their designs. It was a great opportunity for our students to learn more about all of the various careers in the construction industry and we can't thank our friends at Clayco enough for hosting our students!



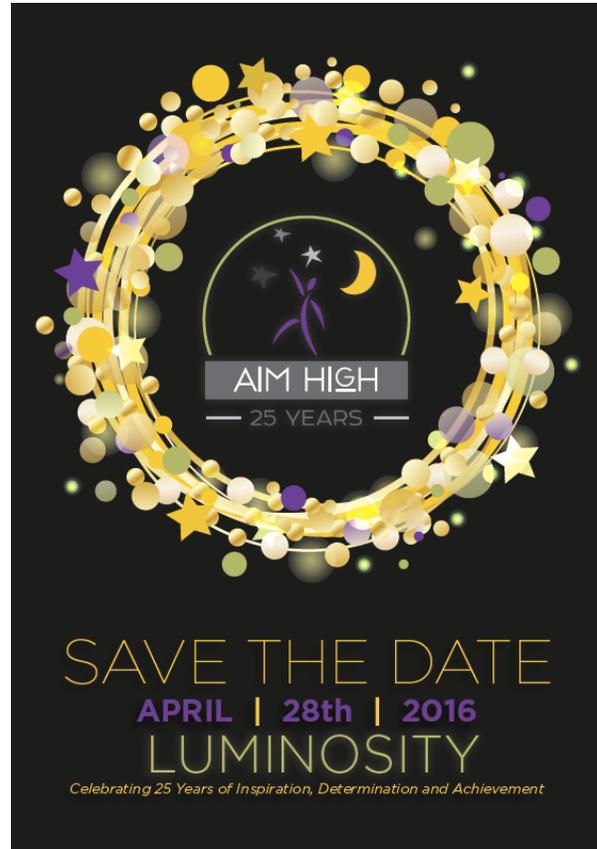
Save the Date

Aim High is celebrating 25 years! Our annual Luminosity celebration will be Thursday, April 28th at Barnett on Washington. The festivities will take place from 6:30-9:00 p.m. and there will be a VIP reception from 6:00-6:30 p.m.

A big thank you to our Platinum sponsors: **World Wide Technology, The Steward Family Foundation, and Centene Corporation.**

Luminosity is a unique event that brings business and community leaders together for a special evening. We are thrilled to welcome Brian Owens and the Deacons of Soul who will be performing at the event.

CLICK HERE to get your tickets today. For more information or sponsorship opportunities, contact Natalie Hartwig at (314) 432-9500 ext. 1002.



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