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Election Posters promoting candidates for the sophomore and junior elections decorate the school. [Denise Long Photo]

Gifted and Talented

English Studies Expanded

By Barbi Prillaman

The 1979-80 school year marks the beginning of a new sophomore English course in the Greensboro Public School System.

This course is a continuation of the junior high schools' Gifted and Talented program, which began last year. Known formally as "Literature and Composition I," the course is being taught on a trial basis at Grimsley and at Smith.

Approximately sixty students are involved in the program at Grimsley. The classes are taught by Mrs. Yourse, Mrs. Manahan, and Mrs. Hoffler. The course is designed to prepare qualified sophomores for Advanced Placement English and for college courses. Although it is an accelerated course, "Literature and Composition I" uses the standard grading system in-

stead of honors grading.

The course of study for the year consists of literary units on reading and analyzing different types of literature. These include the short story, drama, novels, essays, and poetry. Composition units will focus primarily on expository writing.

SSBAG Starts Season

By Jennifer Enright

SSBAG, the Student School Board Action Group, is again sponsoring its Get Set Program. Get Set is a program offered to high school students who are interested in current affairs. Major speakers are imported for the lectures and seminars.

The first lecture of the 1979-80 school year will be on October 2 at 10:00 a.m.

Student Elections

Juniors and Sophs to Fill Council

By Jennifer Enright

The students who make up this year's student council hope for a very productive year. Grimsley has a history of an active student government program.

The executive council for this year is not yet complete. While there is a senior executive council, the juniors and sophomores have yet to elect an executive council for their respective classes. [High Life went to press before the September 21 elections. Winners will be listed in the October issue.]

Because of the new school zones, junior and sophomore elections were postponed until this fall. This year's senior executive council, elected last spring, consists of Ken

Anderson, Student Body President; Carl Winfield, Senior Class President; Jo Ann Engle, Pep Board Chairman; Lee Coyle, YRC Chairman; and Lydia Harris, Student Affairs Chairman. Anderson, Harris, and Engle are returning to the executive council.

Pep Board Chairman Engle believes this year's coun-

cil will accomplish much as they constantly think of new and better ways to run their projects. For example, Engle is running the Pep Board differently this year. "I have broken the group into five different committees, each with a special job. This way the responsibility is spread out, instead of dumped on one person."

GHS Hosts Choirs

By Lee Patterson

Grimsley will host several choral activities this year. These events are important in the state for those involved in high school choirs.

The first activity to be held at Grimsley will be the Honors Chorus Auditions. Students and teachers from all over the state will gather at Grimsley on September 28 for this event. Last year 700 singers auditioned for 150 positions in this highly respected choir. According to Grimsley choral director, Ms. Marta Force, "this massive attendance exemplifies the importance of this event."

The nominees are required to prepare a song in a foreign language and sight read from a music score. The nominees from Grimsley are Jamie Achey, Stephanie Bar-

tis, Lisa McGlamery, Amy Michaels, Tracy Westergaard, and Donney Kinney.

To help prepare for this audition, Grimsley was the site of the first sight-singing clinic on Saturday, September 22. High school choral music students from Guilford County participated in this clinic with Dr. Clinton Parker, Assistant Dean of Fine and Applied Arts at Appalachian State University. The day was spent learning sight-singing techniques.

After the audition and the selections are made, these outstanding singers will rehearse with Dr. Alice Parker at the Hyatt House in Winston-Salem. This is to prepare for a concert at the State Convention of Music Educators in November.

"It is quite an honor to be
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Grimsley Students Appreciate Weaver Education Center

By Bryan Smith

The Weaver Education Center opened for its second year on August 28, 1979.

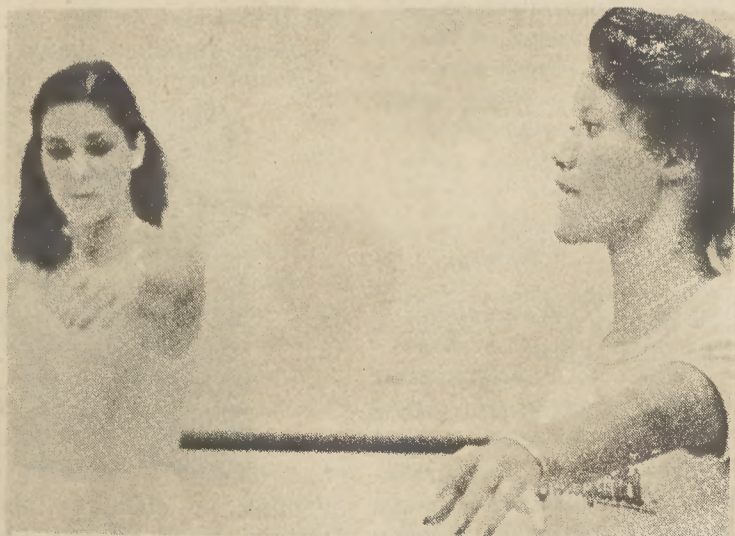
The Center offers students a chance to "expand your horizons" in vocations and academic courses. WEC offers students flexible schedules, beginning at 7:30 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. Bus service is also provided to and from each city high school and to each student's neighborhood in the evening.

The number of high school students attending the Education Center has greatly increased over last year. Enrollment for the 1979-80 school year at WEC is approximately 1000, compared to last year's 500 for the first semester. The number of Grimsley students attending the Center has also increased, but total enrollment figures are not available yet.

WEC offers a wide variety of courses which include technical drafting, wood and

metal construction, food preparation, calculus, data processing, modern dance, theater workshop, and foreign languages such as German and Russian.

Mr. Braxton, Assistant Principal at WEC, stated that one definite problem was the number of students who had pre-registered for courses at the Center was over 1100. He did not understand why approximately 100 students had dropped the courses originally selected.



Marissa Barker [left] follows instructor, Ms. Angela Watson in the Modern Dance class at Weaver Education Center. The Center has opened many doors to Grimsley Students this year with its wide variety of specialized courses. [Tony Johnson Photo]