Maxwell White, age 12, attends Carver Middle School where he is a member of the Academic Bowl Team. Max is also a member of Boy Scout Troop 20. His favorite hobby is Art and most recently Max held a street art fundraiser at Lefty's on Greenwood where he drew caricatures of donors to raise funds for the Greenwood Cultural Center. Max wants to become an engineer someday.

Letter to the Editor dated February 28, 2024

Hi, I am Maxwell White, and I attend Carver Middle School. I feel that the topic of arts in schools is not focused on enough, as arts are very important to schools, and play a big role in the education, and development of a child. With arts, children are able to express their emotions, creativity, and personality with no limitations, and if practiced enough, can provide them with job opportunities like being a home designer, an artist, or game designer. It also helps give children a better imagination, which for younger children is very important. But unfortunately, not every school can afford arts, whether or not it's because they can't find or pay art teachers, or because they can't afford the supplies for it. My school, Carver, has an art class and it has been my most favorite class so far. I am able to express myself, learn how to be a better artist, and have fun. It's a good way to escape from all the worry, and stress of other classes like math, and science. Lots of kids love making art like me, and it's important that they do it. With art in school, students can enrich their experience, and become a better student. That is why art is so important for schools, and the people that attend them.