Collington Square: Day One

MR. SSUUNA, TEACHING ARTIST: [clapping] Bah, bah, bah-bah-bah SSUUNA AND STUDENTS: [mimic the beat on drums and desks]

Ms. Gross and Ms. Cori: Theatre/Acting & Literacy

MS. CORI, TEACHING ARTIST: [in nasally voice] Say, "I'm really, really sneaky." STUDENTS: [in high nasally voices] I'm really, really sneaky! CORI: [in nasally voice] Can you turn to a new friend and say, "I'm really, really sneaky." STUDENTS: [in louder nasally voices] I'm really, really sneaky! CORI: And, can you all stand in actor's neutral? Now our next character voice is the famous actor or opera singer, OK? [in a very dramatic voice] So can you all puff out your chest, and look at your audience and say, "I LOVE my audience!" STUDENTS: I LOVE MY AUDIENCE!

Ms. Muse and Ms. Pellerin: Visual Art/Clay & Math

MS. PELLERIN, TEACHING ARTIST: How many do you see? STUDENTS: Two PELLERIN: Two. So, what's our answer going to be? How many do we have altogether? STUDENT: One. STUDENT: Four! PELLERIN: Four. So open it up all together and look and you can count 'em, right? You see those... those long slices of paper, right? One, two... So, if I were to name this line, right? And you know I have two parts, what would I name this line? STUDENT: Negative PELLERIN: Not negative, what do you think? STUDENT: Is it Half? PELLERIN: Yeah! You got it! Half.

Ms. Weaver and Ms. Cori: Collaborative Planning

MS. WEAVER, CLASSROOM TEACHER: ... the development of the character, you're using it to develop...

KRISTINA BERDAN, EDUCATION DIRECTOR, YOUNG AUDIENCES: Yes! WEAVER: ... um, the scene because they have to like look at the illustrations [inaudible] ... how art is exposed!

CORI: [gasp] I could teach them about dramaturgs!

CORI: There you go... so maybe she's like... go ahead, alright! Which one of those people does she look like she's... posing as? Is it this person? STUDENTS: No! CORI: Give me a thumbs-up or thumbs-down if you think it's this person. No? Is it this person? STUDENTS: No. CORI: Is it... this person? STUDENTS: Yes!

Ms. Thomas and Mr. Steve: Percussion & Literacy

MR. STEVE, TEACHING ARTIST: ... Let's do it! [loud drumming] Alright everybody! When

we give it, we give it what? STUDENTS: RESPECT! [loud, rapid, steady drumming] [calling out] STEVE: Ahhhhh. Now. [in a sing-song voice] Now let's raise our hands. [Laughs] Hold on I gotta call on someone who did it right—somebody who was nice and quiet and raised your hand. Your name young man. STUDENT: Davon STEVE: David? STUDENT: Davon. STEVE: Davon! OK, Davon, what do you think? Davon's talking. STUDENT: Angry STEVE: Angry! Boom!

Ms. Puzio and Mr. Ssuuna: African Dance & Social Studies

SSUUNA: So, um, elements of dance are body, energy, space, time... and what's the last one? STUDENTS: MOVEMENT! SSUUNA: Movement! OK? Boys and girls, we are going to put all of those together with the ideas of the flags *and* the National Anthems to create a dance for our class. STUDENT: Yay! [Clapping] SSUUNA: I don't know that! How do you do that? STUDENTS: [chanting a class motto together]