Frosh Scenes

A Special Publication of Central Scenes to Freshmen parents from the NCHS Staff and the Home and School Assoc

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From the Principal

Greetings from NCHS!

The purpose of this communication is to help you prepare for the transition from 8th grade to Naperville Central. We will attempt to alert you to important details to help with your planning and preparation for this new, exciting adventure.

Save the Date! Registration dates (required attendance for incoming students) are shown below:

| Student Last Name | <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| A - F | Tuesday, August 11 | 8:00 – 1:00 pm |
| G - O | Wednesday, August 12 | 8:00 – 1:00 pm |
| P - Z | Thursday, August 13 | 8:00 – 1:00 pm |

All families will receive a "packet" of registration materials in the mail in July. Meanwhile, please save the registration dates shown above. While at registration, students will receive their hall locker assignment, school ID, class schedule (includes teachers and lunch period), PE uniform, pay mandatory school fees, and begin preparation for the school year. Please do your best to attend. If a student cannot attend, there will be a "make up" registration date the day before school begins.

-Bill Wiesbrook

From the Home & School President

Home and School Welcomes you to NCHS and into our Redhawk family!

We have put this informative newsletter together from our NCHS staff and Home and School Association solely for incoming Freshmen and their families. In this newsletter you will be able to read all the things that are coming in August and beyond for yourself and for your new freshman. Please take a moment to jot down the important dates contained in this newsletter as well as take note of your volunteer opportunities with Home and School at NCHS.

Although your student is in High School, there is still a HUGE need for parent volunteers at NCHS. There are so many opportunities to get involved at the High School level. In your registration packet that you will receive in the mail in late July, there will be a volunteer sheet to fill out and return on registration day with your student. As the volunteer opportunities that you expressed a desire to help with come around, you will be contacted via email regarding that opportunity. It's that simple.

As you may know, Home and School at NCHS has ONLY ONE annual fundraiser: the sale of the STUDENT DIRECTO-RY. This directory can be purchased by ordering one from your fee sheet that comes in your registration packet. The proceeds from your purchase provide annually curriculum enhancements and various needs at NCHS. We so appreciate you purchasing this handy, informative directory, which will be delivered to you via USPS in early fall.

Should you have any concerns, or questions, our contact information can be found on the NCHS website under the Home and School tab.

We wish you and your student much success at NCHS and look forward to working with you through Home and School.

Enjoy the Summer! GO REDHAWKS!

Janet Kraft

NCHS Home & School President, 2014-15

From The Student Services Office

At the end of May, each family will receive a "Course Verification List" from indicating the courses that have been scheduled for their student(s). This list should show the courses that your students registered for in February. Sometimes a course that a student requested does not run and your student had to select another course. There are also times when a course is moved from one semester to another due to the constraints of the master schedule. If you any errors with the courses listed, you will want to meet with a counselor at Naperville Central High School.

The summer hours for Naperville Central Student Services are 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. daily beginning on June 5th. The Student Services office is open every day in summer except July 3rd.

The schedules are built based upon the courses that were chosen by students in February. Courses are sectioned and staff based upon those choices. We only allow changes for important academic reasons such as the following:

1. Completion of a summer school class, 2. Change in course due to a previous failure, 3. Change of level based on improved performance, 4. Change of a course due to a college admission requirement.

If a student has an appropriate reason for a change, the change might be possible on a space available basis. If your student would like to request a change, please come to the Student Services Office during our summer hours.

The DEADLINE to request changes for the first semester schedule is July 15th, 2015.

From The Athletics Department

Welcome to the 2015-16 athletic season at Naperville Central High School. The next four years will be the most exciting time of your child's life "so far". Please use the following link to find out all the information you need for a successful start in athletics at Naperville Central. http://il.8to18.com/NapervilleCentral/

Under the announcements section you will find registration information for summer camps. Summer camp is a great way to become familiar with high school athletics, the building, and meeting new friends before you walk in as a freshman in August.

Under the resources section you will find information which includes:



- Individual sport descriptions which include:
 Starting dates-(tryout)......Season length......Time commitment.
- Parent's guide to athletics at NCHS
- IHSA concussion, drug testing and steroid policies

From The Activities Office

We are excited to help your student explore and share his/her talents with us! One of the biggest changes from Junior High to High School is the sheer number of activities and opportunities offered. We have academic clubs, service clubs, special interest clubs, musical clubs and competing clubs. Your Redbook (distributed at Registration) will have a brief description of almost all of the clubs at NCHS. Why do I say "almost all"? New clubs may start up in the first month of each semester provided that a staff member is able to sponsor it. You can also preview this information here: http://www.naperville203.org/Page/1949



Mark your Calendars now: 8th Grade Orientation! August 14, 2015 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. Busses will pick you up! Join 130 Link Crew Leaders and meet the Class of 2019! Morning activities include ice breakers, school orientation activities, and tour of the building.

- ◆ Link Crew leaders are junior and Senior students who mentor freshmen on a variety of topics during the course of the fall semester..
- ♦ Teams of four LINK CREW leaders meet with groups of approximately 24 freshmen during 22 minutes of the lunch hour twice weekly.
- Counselors, deans, and social workers also meet with freshmen during LINK CREW time to discuss services, course selection choices, and answer student questions.

NEWS FROM HOME & SCHOOL



Attention all 8th Grade Parents!

Naperville Central has a wonderful volunteer opportunity for you. Everyone wants to see their children and think that isn't possible once you get to high school...**WRONG!**

Central has a school store that is located in the cafeteria so not only do you get to see your student, but who they eat lunch with! The School Store runs on volunteers and sells school supplies for the kids as well as spirit wear during the lunch hours everyday. (10:20-1:15) So if students

need photography paper, film, paper, pencils etc. or just a Central Hoodie, our parents are there to help them.

Watch your registration materials to sign up to work the store. Feel free to sign up with a friend too. We couldn't run the store without wonderful Parents like you!

Kim Ramey Tonya Roberts

The Volunteer Committee organizes parents to help with events such as School Registration, V & H screening, blood drive, Young Hearts for Life, Distribution of cap & gowns, year-books, etc.

On your student registration form you can indicate a desire to help with specific events and/or check the general volunteer box and you will be notified when volunteer opportunities arise. You can then check your schedule to see if you are available to help.

VOLUNTEER

Questions, or if you would like to be contacted about volunteering at this summer's registration, emailnchsvolunteers@naperville203.org.



On Monday October 5th at 7 pm,

Naperville Central Home & School and Principal Bill Wiesbrook will host a **Coffee with the Principal**.

The coffee is designed to help parents get to know more about our principal, NCHS policies, programs and people. This is a great opportunity to meet the principal and ask the questions that are most important to you, in a small group atmosphere.

Look for more information and the sign up sheet in the summer mailer.



Looking for an easy way to get involved at Central next year?

Coat Check is still in need of two co-chairs for next year.

Your role is to organize volunteers to provide a secure place for students to leave their coats, shoes and valuables during both the Homecoming (September 26) and Winter Dance (February 20). It only requires a little time the month before each dance and

then during the dance itself. Biggest benefit is getting to see the students all dressed up before they hit the dance floor!

If you are interested (even better, grab a friend), please contact Ann Laboe, at ann@laboe.org



Want to get Involved?

If you would like to make a difference, Central's Home and School Board wants you! We are a hard working, dedicated, fun, group and we need a few more hands for the 2015-2016 school year.

You can contact any of us on the Nominations Committee for further information.

Joan Tanck, Cindy Meier, Janet Kraft - Nominations Committee joan.tanck@gmail.com / meierfamily13@aol.com / jkblueandwhite@msn.com



Our current open positions are:

Dance Committee:

Coat Check: 2 open positions (past chair is on the Executive Board and available to advise new chairs)

Photography: 1 open

Co-refreshments: 2 open positions

Dance Committee

Dance Committee is the volunteer support to the Student Council for the Homecoming and Winter dances. It is divided into four parts with a chair for each: Coat Check, Decorations, Refreshments, and Photography. Coat Check provides a secure place for the students to leave their coats, purses, and other belonging during the

Decorations decorates the dance area for dance.

Refreshments provides the food and beverages to the students in the cafeteria during the dance.

Photography helps keep the photography line orderly.

Attends monthly board meeting

Welcome Redhawks!

