

CENTRAL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Tiger Parents/Guardians,

Emergency Drills

We had an increased police presence on our campus today for a scheduled intruder drill. We also paired the drill with a visit from the Cape Police Department's K-9 unit to sniff lockers and cars for anything that shouldn't be at school. Both of these drills are designed to be unannounced, but we do notify students that it is only a drill. Intruder, tornado, earthquake, and fire drills are each conducted twice per year according to state mandate to ensure that we are ready in the event of a real emergency. I'm happy to report that students and staff performed impeccably during the drill.

CAP Exams

Just a reminder that CAP exams will be taking place this week starting tomorrow. Because these exams are so critical to your student's grade, it is very important that they be in attendance to take them. The exam makes up 15% of their semester grade. Any students that are absent the rest of the week, should make arrangements with their teacher to take the exam after school on the next day that we are back at CHS.

The schedule for CAP exam week will be as follows:

Tuesday, December 12- Third hour exam

Wednesday, December 13- Fourth and Seventh hour exams

Thursday, December 14- Second and Sixth hour exams

Friday, December 15- First and Fifth hour exams

We will dismiss at 1:55 pm for our usual early dismissal on Wednesday, December 13.

First Semester Grades

If all goes well, we will have first semester grades in the mail by Thursday, January 11. I realize this seems like a significant amount of time after exams; however, inevitably, some of our kids will be ill exam week, and it takes a few days after we return from holiday break to complete and grade make-up exams. In addition, it is at semester that we calculate class rank, grade point average and publish our semester honor roll. As many of you know, many of our seniors will use seventh-semester grades for college admission and for scholarship application throughout the spring, and it is critical we take the time required to be accurate in all that we do for the good of all of our kids. Thank you for your patience in getting semester grades out. As always, you are more than welcome to check grades at any time on the Parent Portal through Infinite Campus.

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Keeping Teens Safe Online

In our age of technology and with Central's one-to-one initiative, it is more important than ever for parents to set boundaries for appropriate and safe behavior online. It's not always easy for parents to know which sites and apps are safe. The good folks at Safe, Smart, and Social have put together an informational guide to assist parents in making the determination of apps that are considered safer than others. The guide can be found at <https://safesmartsocial.com/app-guide-parents-teachers/>. It is important to remember that many apps that are considered safe can be used for ill intent.

Updating Contact Information

As we prepare to end the first semester, this is a good time to make sure that your contact information in Infinite Campus is accurate. If you have moved, changed phone numbers, email addresses, an emergency contact has moved away, etc., please be sure to contact the main office to update the information that we have on file so that we can contact you when necessary.

This Week At A Glance:

December 11 JV Boys Basketball @ Advance Tournament 5:00 pm

December 11 Ninth Gr. Boys Basketball @ Notre Dame 6:00 pm

December 12-15 CAP Exams (Comprehensive Semester Finals w/ makeup sessions after school)

December 14 Ninth Gr. Girls Basketball @ Notre Dame 4:30 pm

December 14 JV Boys Basketball @ Advance Tournament TBA

December 15 Early Dismissal for Students 11:15 am

December 15 Varsity Girls Swimming Rockwood Summit Quad @ Fenton 3:00 pm

December 15-16 Wrestling Tiger Classic @ CJHS

December 15 V/JV Boys Basketball vs. Farmington 6:00 pm

Upcoming Events:

December 18- January 2 No School- Winter Break

January 3 First Day of Second Semester/Early Dismissal 1:55 pm

January 10 Semester and Term 3 Grade Cards Mailed Home

January 15 No School- Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 22 No School- Professional Development Day



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