

A Message from the Principal

This is our final newsletter for 2010-2011; where has the time gone? It seems like yesterday when we welcomed our 9th grade students to Century and shared with parents our goals, philosophy and outlined programs available to students.

We are getting ready for the last round of testing in Biology, Algebra, Government and Global Perspectives (English) for the High School Assessments. Our students have done a great job focusing on these graduation required tests and know they will perform their best next week.

We've devoted space in this newsletter to highlight senior activities and underclass exams. The end of the year is a busy one so please keep these dates close for easy access. Our goal is to provide students with meaningful activities right up to the last day of school so we encourage you to help us by making sure students attend school each and every day. Too often a student gives up near the end of school which might mean the difference between a failing and passing grade.

Senior events are right on the horizon. Please ensure that all seniors have cleared their schedules in order to attend ALL required events. Participation in all events is required for students who wish to participate in the June 3rd Graduation Ceremony.

We are so proud of our students who completed AP exams, Career and Technology Programs, and many unique internship experiences. Our seniors will share their accomplishments with the underclassmen on May 20th – this has become quite a tradition at Century High School. Our students are creative, talented, and aspire to do great things – you should see the list of presenters. It truly is amazing!

As we get close the end of the year, I'd like to thank all of our parent booster organizations, individual volunteers, our Business Advisory Board, and the PTSO for all your support and feedback. It has been a tremendous year with many accomplishments.

Please stay in touch as we prepare for our formal Middle States Evaluation in the Fall!

I hope to see you at our end of year events!

Drew Cockley, Principal

Dates to Remember:

- May 24 to 27: Senior Exams
- May 30 – No School (Memorial Day)
- May 31 – Senior Cruise (5pm)
- June 1 – Graduation Practice (9am)
- June 2 – Senior Farewell Assembly (9am)
- June 2 – Community Awards Night @ 7pm
- June 3 – Graduation Practice at McDaniel College (8am to 10am)
- June 3 – 11am Early Dismissal (9th to 11th)
- June 3 – CHS Graduation @ 2pm
- June 8 – Elections for Class Officers and SGA Officers for 2011-2012 school year.
- June 10 – Student Portfolios Due – ALL GRADES to their advisor.
- June 13 – Underclass Exams 2A, 4A
- June 14 – Underclass Exams 2, 2B, 4, 4B
- June 15 – Underclass Exams 1, 1A, 3A
- June 16 – Underclass Exams 1B, 3, 3B
- June 16 – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – 2hr 45min early dismissal.
- June 24 – Report Cards Mailed

Underclass Exams

Underclass Exams are scheduled for June 13, 14, 15, & 16. The last day for students is June 16th (which is a 2 hour and 45 minutes early dismissal).

Exams are not given early to students so please do not make plans for early vacations. Thank you!

June 3rd is an early dismissal day for all CHS students: Dismissal time is at 11am in order for us to participate in graduation!

Finish Strong!

Required Senior Events

Seniors are getting close to finishing courses and exams and have begun final preparations before graduation. Please review the "SENIOR PACKET"; which is available on our website: http://www.carrollk12.org/Assets/file/CHS/School_Counseling/10-11/Senior_Graduation_Packet_11.pdf.

This packet was distributed to students in the 3rd Quarter which contains all end of year activities.

Graduating seniors are required to attend the following activities in order to participate in graduation:

June 1st – Graduation Practice

June 2nd – Senior Farewell Assembly

June 2nd – Community Awards Night

June 3rd – Graduation Practice at McDaniel College

Our graduation ceremony is June 3rd at 2pm and is held at McDaniel College.

You will find all dates and times listed in the Senior Packet.

Families requiring additional tickets for friends and guests can request them through our main office. Students need to drop off a form listing the number of tickets needed.

Special seating, parking, and hearing impaired guests can also request accommodations. A form is included in our Senior Packet.

Graduation is a special time of year, yet brings stress and anxieties. Please refer to the Senior Packet and review it carefully to avoid unnecessary problems. Please call us at (410) 386-4400 if you have ANY questions ~ we want this day to be a special one for our graduates, their families, and invited guests.

Preparing for Senior Year

Class of 2012 News

The time for the Class of 2012 to begin preparing for next year is now. Students have many opportunities to learn outside of Century High School during their senior year, however, each year students miss out on these opportunities because they don't plan ahead.

Students hoping to take classes at Carroll Community College (aka. Concurrent Enrollment) should sign up now for fall semester classes. Students need to take the Accuplacer test for placement and get a form from Mr. Wunder, their counselor, before signing up for classes with the college. Registration has opened, so seats are filling fast.

Internships are a great way to earn experience in a chosen field while taking classes as a senior. Our placements are wide and varied and link directly with the Academy Programs of CHS. Students should make an appointment with Ms. Myers before the end of the year to talk about placements and schedules. Some deadlines have passed for fall placements.

Independent studies, Advanced Placement courses, and release time options are other ways that students prepare for their next step after high school. Parents should visit our School Counseling page for excellent resources:

<http://www.carrollk12.org/chs/counseling/college/default.asp>

SERVICE HOURS

July 1st – Deadline for juniors to turn in at least 55 service hours if they want to earn Senior Class status (i.e. Senior Photo in the Yearbook, Senior activities, etc.)

Seniors need 75 hours to graduate!

Student Recognition

Cole Holocker, Grade 10: Carson's Scholar!

The Carson Scholars Fund is a non-profit organization founded in 1994 by Johns Hopkins pediatric neurosurgeon Dr. Benjamin Carson and his wife, Candy. The Fund awards \$1,000 college scholarships to students in grades 4-11 who excel academically and are dedicated to serving their communities. Students then receive the honor of being named Carson Scholars and are awarded with an Olympic-sized medal and a trophy for their school to celebrate their accomplishments. Previous winners of Carson Scholarships are eligible to reapply for the scholarship annually, as long as they consistently maintain high academic standards.

Benjamin Holdridge, 11th Grade, has officially been accepted to intern at the National Cancer Institute in the 2011-2012 school year!

End of Year Student Elections – June 8th

We want our students to think about how they can be leaders at Century High School.

After seniors graduate, we turn our attention to who will become the leaders of tomorrow? Elections for class officers and Student Government will be conducted on June 8th during class assemblies.

For more information, contact your grade level class sponsors or Ms. Maggie Bell for SGA. We hope to see students rise to this challenge and continue to make CHS a great school!

Class of 2012

Are you a junior getting ready for senior year in 2011-2012? Have you considered an INTERNSHIP? How about taking college courses at Carroll Community College? Both are great ways to keep students motivated in their senior year and can set students on a new direction. Call Mr. George Wunder (Counselor for the Class of 2012) or Ms. Shana Myers (Career Connections) for more information.

GET READY FOR YOUR SAT'S!!!

To register for the SAT visit www.collegeboard.com

testGEAR: FREE for students and parents...

User: centuryhs

User Code: 13729495

This is a great tool to help students get ready for their SAT's!

The SGA is looking for student leaders to head up our Executive Board for the 2011-2012 school year. This is a great opportunity for students who want to make a positive impact on the school. Students can expect to be involved in the climate, social and service part of the school.

For more information contact Ms. Maggie Bell at Century.

Special Olympics & Friends for Life Club

Carroll County Public Schools held their annual Special Olympics Spring Games at Westminster High School on Wednesday, April 27th. Century High School had two athletes participate. Kristen Sanders placed 3rd in the 50 meter run, 4th in the long jump, and 4th in the tennis ball throw. Matthew Mossor finished the games with a silver medal in the 50 meter run, a bronze medal in the softball throw, and a 4th place finish in the long jump. Congratulations Matt & Kristen!



Friends for Life Club Members also attended the Spring Games and volunteered as helpers, runners, and fans for the athletes. Those members included: Rosie Brosenne, Brooke Dolan, Brooke Elrod, Morgan Keepers, Leah Kreimer, Meghan McNulty, Ashley Naugler, Jordan Sien, Emily Novick, and Justin Redmond.

Pictured at left:
Special Olympian, Matt Mossor along with Friends for Life club member, Brooke Dolan wait for Matt's next event.

Special Olympics of Maryland Summer Games will be held at Towson University June 10th -12th. Friends for Life club members are organizing a Cheer Team and plan to attend the Opening Ceremonies and Parade of Athletes on Friday, June 10th. A Block Party, from 5:00-7:00 PM is free and open to the public. There will be family friendly activities, music, food and lots of fun!

The Maryland Summer Games are a three day event including 5 sports for Special Olympic athletes. Elaborate Opening and Closing Ceremonies and Special Events celebrate the athletes' accomplishments. Family activities provide a forum for family and friends of the competitors to meet. The Summer Games are the largest Special Olympics State Competitive event. For further information visit the Winner's Circle site at <http://specialolympicsmd.wordpress.com> or visit www.somd.org

****PARENTS****

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL MEDICATIONS MUST BE PICKED UP IN THE HEALTH ROOM BY JUNE 16TH OR THEY WILL BE DISCARDED.

Is it “Pink Eye” or Allergy eyes?

Pink Eye, (conjunctivitis), is redness or irritation of the membranes on the inner part of the eyelids and the membranes covering the whites of the eyes. These membranes react to a wide range of bacteria, viruses, allergens, irritants and toxic agents. Overall however, there are many causes of pink eye. These can be classified as either infectious or noninfectious.

Both allergic conjunctivitis (noninfectious) and viral or bacterial conjunctivitis (infectious) have symptoms including watering, redness, itching, and swelling in the eye area. However, allergic conjunctivitis usually affects both eyes. If the symptoms are caused by pollen, they will also occur each year around the same time.

Viral or bacterial conjunctivitis can affect both eyes, but is usually found in only one eye. The eyes are also more likely to be sensitive to light, burn, and feel as though they are stuck closed and crusty upon waking. Viral conjunctivitis may produce a clear discharge, while eyes with bacterial conjunctivitis may have a thick, creamy discharge, called pus.

The bacteria that most commonly cause infectious pink eye are *staphylococci*, *pneumococci*, and *streptococci*. Bacterial pink eye symptoms include eye pain, swelling, redness, and a moderate to large amount of discharge, usually yellow or greenish in color. The discharge commonly accumulates after sleeping. Bacterial pink eye is treated by repeated warm, moist washcloths applied to the eyes and requires antibiotic eye drops or ointment prescribed by the doctor.

Allergic pink eye include intense itching, tearing, and swelling of the eye membranes. Frequent causes may be seasonal pollens, animal dander, and dust. This is frequently seasonal and accompanied by other typical "allergy" symptoms such as sneezing, itchy nose, or scratchy throat. Cold, moist washcloths applied to the eyes and over-the-counter eye drops can provide relief. Your doctor can prescribe stronger medications if these remedies are not adequate.

April AHC Accolade Winner

Allie Dearie is the AHC accolade winner for the month of April for outstanding achievement in the arts.



Class of 2013

Restaurant Nights in the future:

~Monday May 16, 2011 **Qdoba** (no flier, just tell them you're there for 2013!)

~Monday June 6, 2011 **Panera** (again, no flier...)

~Thursday June 16, 2011 12~6pm **Rita's**

If you have a son/daughter interested in being on our executive board or running for one of the 5 officer positions (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian) please have them see either Ms. Barnold or Mrs. Brewer to get the necessary forms and information. Elections will be in June!

Any questions?? See Ms. Barnold in B233, Mrs. Brewer, in B226, or email us:

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FRENCH STUDENTS EXCEL ON NATIONAL EXAM

On March 8, 2011, the French students from CHS went to McDaniel college to take Le Grand Concours Francais (National French Exam). Many of the students earned a score above the 50th percentile in the nation and/or the state of Maryland.

The following students earned top honors:

Samantha Albright - National rank = 18th percentile, Chapter rank = 16th percentile

Erin Chinery - National rank = 15th percentile, Chapter rank = 14th percentile

Matthew Achizer - Chapter rank = 8th percentile

Jessica Batista - Chapter rank = 2nd percentile

Nicholas Bosley - Chapter rank = 7th percentile

Jaci Buteau - Chapter rank = 6th percentile

Jacob Harrison - Chapter rank = 4th percentile

Jacob Jones - Chapter rank = 9th percentile

Sydney Jones-Vetere = Chapter rank = 10th percentile

Natalie Marcotte - Chapter rank = 5th percentile

Emily Costolo - Chapter rank = 10th percentile

Congratulations to these students! Madame Glabach will be presenting these students with their certificates when they arrive from AATF.

NEWS FROM THE ARTS!

Congratulations to Karen Saffran for winning 1st place in the photography category for the 2011 6th district Congressional art competition. Way to go Karen!

AHC RenFest

On May 23rd, 2011, the AHC academy will host its 6th annual RenFest arts and culture festival. Students will be treated to a variety of drama, music, arts and crafts as well as cultural exhibitions during a special extended outdoor lunch mod. Students are reminded to mark their calendars and to remember to bring sunglasses and sunscreen on May23rd! Limited edition RenFest 2011 t-shirts designed by senior Rob Singleton are also available for purchase from Mr. Sharp for \$10.

PTSO NEWS

The school year is winding down. Many families are busy with plans for end of the year graduation celebrations and/or much needed and anticipated vacation plans. This has been another successful year at Century High School!

The PTSO just hosted our annual Teacher and Staff Appreciation Luncheon on May 6th. A special thank you to Colleen Rought who organized the luncheon and was responsible for getting the many gift certificates donated for our daily teacher raffle. Thanks also to all the parents who brought food or made monetary donations, and to those who helped out on the luncheon day. We also want to thank our local Qdoba Mexican Grill Restaurant for the donation of the taco bar this year. They have been especially generous to Century High School so please show your appreciation by patronizing their business and letting them know how that we are grateful for their support. The CHS staff really appreciated the luncheon, and we hope they know that we appreciate them!

Our last regularly scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, May 17th at 7 p.m. in the Media Center. Please join us to share your thoughts and opinions on how to make any improvements to Century High School. Parents, this is a chance to be heard! Our administration is always looking for ideas and ways to make CHS the best it can be! Also, at this meeting we will discuss PTSO plans for next year and our budget. All are welcome!

Reminders:

-**Street Smarts**, the official driving school of the PTSO is taking registrations for summer classes. This is a great time to have your student attend because they are not competing with school or homework time during the summer. Classes are scheduled at Century for **6/20/11 - 7/1/11** or **7/20/11 - 8/2/11** (*Fall athlete class. Be done with Driver Education before Fall practice begins!*) *Summer Sessions: 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.* Be sure to register your student for this highly recommended course by going to www.streetsmartsmd.com.

-If you would like to become a member of a credit union, please visit **First Financial Federal Credit Union of Maryland**. They are the CCPS teacher's credit union, but because you have a student in Carroll County Public Schools, you, as a parent, are eligible to join. They have great rates on loans, and there are virtually no fees for service. Their representative came to talk to us about financing college, and they do offer scholarships each year to seniors at each county school. Please look into it at www.firstfinancial.org. They are located by Rita's in Eldersbug.

Have a wonderful and safe summer, and be sure to register for PTSO membership in August and September. We want as many parents and staff as possible to be involved. Thank you for your continued support. Go Knights!

Trish Capparelli
President

MAY 2011

KNIGHTLY NEWS

Student Schedules for 2011-2012

Recently, high school staffing was finalized so our master schedule for next year is now in its final stages of completion. Our school counselors have been working hard to meet with students now, before the end of the school year to resolve conflicts with student requests in an attempt to build the best schedule possible for all students. Our goal is for all students to have complete schedules before the summer. This will allow us more time to balance class sizes, make adjustments where needed, and utilize our resources in the best possible way to provide an outstanding educational program for students; providing students with both a rigorous and relevant education. This process requires that we analyze every schedule to make sure courses are in the right sequence and that prerequisite courses are successfully completed. We will keep you informed of our progress!

Century High School's

MISSION STATEMENT

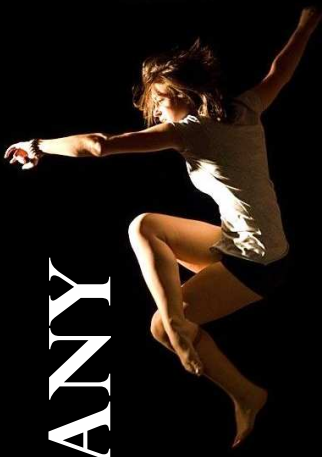
Every individual at CHS is committed to creating a safe, challenging, yet supportive, learning community.

Unique partnerships, a technologically integrated learning environment, and high quality programs will link learning to future careers.

Students will emerge as dynamic, self-directed learners, responsible citizens, and active participants in a rapidly changing world.

CENTURY HIGH DANCE COMPANY

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF JEN GRAHAM



Are you a dancer or dance fanatic?!

Want to help build a ground-breaking dance program?

**Want to be a founding member of Century High's
FIRST Student Dance Company?!**

Contemporary



Hip Hop
Jazz



Ballet
Modern
Tap

Century High School is making plans for its first Student Dance Company, to begin rehearsing and performing for the 2011-2012 school year. The Company is the first step in building an artistically and technically strong, exciting and leading Dance Program at the school.

The Company will be open to dancers of all levels, abilities and style interests. They will work together both as a full group and in smaller sub-groups divided by level and style in order to build creatively and technically, choreograph and refine dances of all styles, and produce and perform Winter and Spring Concerts.

The Company will meet and rehearse several times per week after school beginning Fall 2011.

If You're Interested...

Email Jen Graham, Director at Jen@ProjectCDance.com
with your contact information & after school availability
for Fall 2011

AND

**Come to the CHS Dance Company Meeting
Tuesday, June 7th at 3pm in the Auditorium**

At the meeting we will be discussing ideas, plans, potential rehearsal days/times,
and early organizational details.

(Meeting Attendance is not mandatory, but PLEASE be sure to EMAIL if you are interested!)

**COME BE A PART OF THE START OF SOMETHING
AMAZING!!!**

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Century High School Dance Company