Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of first semester and halfway through the year. I would like to thank all of our students, faculty, staff, and families for helping us keep our community safe and keep our school fully open this year by following COVID protocols. While this school year has had its challenges, please know that I appreciate everyone’s efforts this year, and am so incredibly happy that we have been able to return to a mostly “normal” school year.

I hope that everyone enjoys a very well deserved break. See you all in the new year!

Daniel Ryan
Principal

Important Dates

- December 20- January 4: Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
- January 5: Semester 2 begins, late start day - periods 1-8
- January 5: BVSD Open Enrollment Window closes at 4:00pm
- January 6: Periods 1-8 with Advisory
What you need to know

Semester 2 begins January 5

Wednesday, January 5th will be a late start. Students will follow an abbreviated eight period schedule on Wednesday.

Wednesday, January 5th abbreviated schedule:

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On Thursday, January 6, students will follow an eight period schedule including advisory:
On Friday, January 7, students will follow a regular 8 period schedule.

Jazz Band Concert

The Centaurus Jazz Band will present jazz standards and holiday classics tonight at 5:30pm at the Lafayette Festival Plaza.
Advisory Team Seeking Recent Graduates’ Help

The Advisory Team would like to host a panel of recent graduates to speak with our current seniors. If you have a recent CHS graduate who would be available to speak with seniors on **Thursday, January 13th** please email **pamela.borealis@bvsd.org**. We are hoping to form a diverse panel of graduates with a variety of post-graduate experiences.

Delayed Start Schedule

In the event of inclement weather, school (and buses) will be on a two hour delay. Classes will start at 10:35am any day we have a late start. Please reference the linked schedules for details.

BVSD Online

Registration for Spring full semester courses and credit recovery session 1 closes January 6th, 2022. Find [more information at this link](#).
Cookie Exchange Thank You!

Huge thanks to the many families that contributed to the staff cookie exchange Thursday! The staff loved the special treats! We appreciate you!

The Staff Appreciation committee and entire CHS faculty and staff

Jigsaws and Jazz

The Centaurus Band Boosters are planning the 4th annual Jigsaws & Jazz. This is a fun event open to the entire community to support Centaurus Bands. You can participate in person or virtually on Saturday, February 5, 11am.

Registration is open now through January 20th at https://centaurusband.ludus.com/13764. You can register a team of two or a team of 3-4 people. Join in the fun while raising a little money for the band programs’ general fund.

Help us spread the word - this event is open to the entire local community!
Advisory Update

Advisory classes on January 6th will focus on welcome back activities and re-norming discussions.

Counseling Corner

Check here for the latest news from the Counseling department.

Headline News

HEART of a Warrior
We would like to recognize the students at Centaurus High School who received the HEART of a Warrior Award for semester one of the 2021-2022 school year. Students are nominated by a teacher for exemplifying the HEART of a Warrior (Honor, Empathy, Achievement, Respect, Triumph) during this semester. On Thursday, December 9th we celebrated students with a luncheon and they received a certificate from the teacher who nominated them as well as a HEART shirt. Centaurus honored sixty students at this event!

Congratulations Fall semester HEART of a Warrior recipients!

- Luis Aguilar
- Lizabeth Aguirre
- Harian Aldama
- Jesus Antunez
- Mia Arellano
- Alwana Barker
- Arden Barnett
- Nikolas Beukelman
- Connor Bion
- Riley Bowers
- Brenna Calvo
- Kira Chiang
- Jasper Cleary
- Camila Cosentino
- Dylan Covington
- Grayson Cowan
- Jaden Crawley
- Kyle Demmon
- Bhavini Desai
- Alexia Devara Chavez
- Samantha Diener
- Brendan Finnigan
- Sindy Garcia
- Skye Gibson
- Kira Gilliland
- Galiano Hannigan
- Clara Harrop
- Ashley Herbstreit
- Jorge Hernandez-Castruita
- Trinity Hoewel
- Stormi Husted
- Andrew Jauregui
- Oralee Johnston
- Dmitriy Kazantsev
- Aiden Kenny
- Taytum Kowachuk
- Lauren Kramer
- Kameron Lavender
- McKenna Leary
- Allison Martin
- Anthony Medina
- Finley Miranda
- Ben Mischke
- Ryan Morgenstein
- Shira Nathan
- Carter Nelson
- Joanna Nunez Carrizco
- Bella Oliver
- Zoe Pawlek
- Grace Petroff
- Sabrina Petty
- Tristan Pluzynski
- Tai Polanowski
- Egan Rausch
- Hope Rose
- Zach Ruppel
- Andrew Schatz
- David Sutton
- Antuan Vargas
- Garrett Vogel

Hockey Dream Come True
Congratulations to AJ Ulrich! He was selected by the Prince Albert Raiders in the Western Hockey League’s US Priority Draft on December 8. AJ is currently in his first season with the Colorado Thunderbirds 15U AAA program.

Read more from the [Prince Albert Daily Herald](#) and the [Western Hockey League](#).

**DECA Wins at District**

Your DECA team was on the road to districts last week, competing with Lakewood, Horizon, Warren Tech, Thornton, and Northglenn. We were able to qualify NINE for the State Call to Conference in February!

- **Ashley Herbstreit** 1st place - Accounting Applications
- **Paige Johnson and Lily Pradeau** 1st place - Business Law and Ethics Team
- **Cody Hitchcock** 1st place - Entrepreneurship Series
- **Theo Belin** 1st place - Hotel and Lodging Management
- **Will McCurry** 1st place - Retail Merchandising
- **Tanner Bauer** 2nd place - Sports and Entertainment Marketing
- **Michael Finnigan** 5th place - Sports and Entertainment Marketing
- **Anna Clement** 3rd place - Apparel and Accessories Marketing

We have another six students that are 1st alternates if someone from another school can not attend, they will be called upon. The students that did not qualify are busy writing their business manuals for a chance to make state in the written manual competition.

**Author Visits with LA Classes**
Earlier this month, students in Ms. Her Many Horses, Ms. Davidson, and Ms. Fostvedts’ classes came to the library to hear Dr. Stephen Graham Jones, author and CU Professor, speak about the writing process. The Pre-IB 10 students are reading his book, “The Only Good Indians,” as part of the LA curriculum.

Cram Fest Success!
CHS students had a blast at Cram Fest! Thank you to teachers and administrators who attended this event. Our C-Squad student leaders did a great job.

CHS Sports!

Cheer and Poms at the state competition in Colorado Springs.
Winter Sports in Action

Celebrating Centaurus Seniors

Seal of Biliteracy Applications

Seniors - It is time to apply for your Seal of Biliteracy and ROCK your green cord at graduation!!! The Seal of Biliteracy is a recognition granted to graduating students who achieve a high level of proficiency in English and another language. Applications are due January 7th, 2022.

How do I apply?
You will fill out the application for the Seal of Biliteracy

What are the requirements to qualify for the Seal?
Students must meet graduation criteria and meet criteria to demonstrate proficiency in English as well as in another language in order to qualify for the Seal. Check out the BVSD Biliteracy Seal website for specific criteria and details.

Have any questions?
Check out the FAQs on the website, but please reach out to our WL teachers Ms. Kourany (room 211) or Ms. Simonds (room 210). They are here to help!

Getting to know your Centaurus Team
We hope to introduce more staff to our community next semester!

## Centaurus Community News

### CHS Baseball Annual Christmas Tree Sale

Help support your local baseball team and kick off your holiday season by purchasing a christmas tree at our annual Christmas tree and wreath sale. The tree lot is still open this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday until sold out! See the flyer for specific tree lot times. The tree lot is located at the CHS Football stadium. Go Warriors!

### Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale!

Proceeds Benefit Centaurus Warriors Baseball Program

**Happy to be back in 2021!**

| Fri, Nov 26, 10am-7pm | Fri, Dec 10, 4:30-7pm |
| Sat, Nov 27, 10am-7pm | Sat, Dec 11, 10am-7pm |
| Sun, Nov 28, 10am-5pm | Sun, Dec 12, 10am-5pm |
| Fri, Dec 3, 4:30-7pm | Fri, Dec 17, 4:30-7pm |
| Sat, Dec 4, 10am-7pm | Sat, Dec 18, 10am-7pm |
| Sun, Dec 5, 10am-5pm | Sun, Dec 19, 10am-5pm |

### Mental Health Partners

MHP has a campaign to address struggles and hard times that come with the holidays. Please utilize and forward this holiday flyer to anyone in need of resources connected to this topic.

[Link to MHP holiday flyer]

### Boulder County Youth Calendar

A Boulder County Youth Calendar is presented by Boulder County Public Health.

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Finding activities, groups and events near you
Getting involved in your community
Having new experiences and adventures

Find social activities in Boulder County at BocoYouthEvents.org.

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District News

Secure Gun Storage to Keep Kids Safe

The BVSD Board of Education recently passed Resolution 21-12 in Support of Secure Storage encouraging gun safety and especially the secure storage of firearms. Here are the facts they found particularly compelling:

- An estimated 4.6 million American children live in households with at least one loaded, unlocked firearm.
- Every year, nearly 350 children under the age of 18 unintentionally shoot themselves or someone else. Another 590 children die by gun suicide each year, most often using guns belonging to a family member.
- In incidents of gun violence on school grounds, 75 percent of active shooters are current students or recent graduates, and 78 percent of shooters under the age of 18 obtained their guns from their own home, a relative's home, or from friends.
- Research shows that secure firearm storage practices are associated with up to a 78 percent reduction in the risk of self-inflicted firearm injuries and an 85 percent reduction in the risk of unintentional firearm injuries among children and teens.

Please learn more in the BVSD article and the Be SMART website.

Learn how to securely store your firearms here (English) and here (Spanish).

COVID Testing Over Winter Break

There will be a mobile COVID testing team at the Education Center (6500 Arapahoe Rd) Mon-Thursday 7:30am-3:30pm both weeks of winter break. If you have any questions about testing during the break, please call (720)561-5582 for assistance.
Hours for mobile and Centaurus testing are posted at [www.bvsd.org/covidtesting](http://www.bvsd.org/covidtesting). Have a great break!

10300 South Boulder Road, Lafayette, CO 80026  
Main Office: 720-561-7500 / Attendance Line: 720-561-5368

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Boulder Valley School District (BVSD) would like to continue connecting with you via email. To set preferences for which types of messages are sent to your email address, activate your free [InfoCenter](http://www.bvsd.org/covidtesting) account. If you prefer to stop receiving emails from BVSD, follow this link and confirm: [Unsubscribe](http://www.bvsd.org/covidtesting). Please note that if you unsubscribe, your email address will be placed on the “blocked list” for the remainder of the current school year and will no longer receive BVSD school or district emails that are distributed through our SchoolMessenger service.

SchoolMessenger is a notification service used by the nation's leading school systems to connect with parents, students and staff through voice, SMS text, email, and social media.

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