
[CHS Staff] Fwd: Warrior Weekly 9-06-24

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Principal's Message

I held my first Coffee With The Principal and it was a great discussion with some wonderful parents. We discussed the website and ways that they would like to see it improve to become more user-friendly. David Houk is our new resident Webmaster, and he joined the conversation to gather feedback and help guide his work.

- [Student Council](#)
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I also want to say thank you to the parents and guardians who gave feedback on the Principal Survey. I always appreciate hearing from the Warrior community and finding ways to partner with families. The suggestions for parent nights have been shared with our Mental Health Team and they are working to provide parents/guardians with different nights aimed at exploring and discussing the issues/topics that were suggested. The meetings will include supporting students with: Anxiety & Depression, Executive Functioning Strategies, and Cell Phones. Look for more information as the weeks unfold.

Speaking of Cell phones, in the Principal Survey, I polled parents to see if we had any interest in a community-wide read. Eighty percent of the parents responded favorably to the idea, so we are moving forward, and for the inaugural read I have chosen *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt. The Daily Camera recently published [an article](#) addressing the topic of cell phones in our schools. I believe this book is timely given the focus on improving our policy from the Board of Education and the mental health issues that we have seen increase over the past 10 years in our schools. You can read a short introduction to the book and sign up to participate [here](#). We will meet 4 times over the semester to discuss the novel. The group will consist of teachers, parents, and administrators. We hope you will join us. I think it will be great to work together and have rich discussions on the issues our students face.

Important Dates



September 11- Senior college planning night- 6-7:30pm
September 12- FET meeting- 5:30pm-7:00pm
September 19- Coffee with the Principal @ Centaurus High School- 9am
September 27- Picture retakes
September 30- No school- teacher professional development day
October 5- Homecoming Dance
October 25- Coffee with the Principal (date change from October 24)

What you need to know

ATTENDdance



This year, we are starting a new attendance initiative to motivate and support student engagement. We are requiring our students' year to date (YTD) attendance percentage to be 85% or above, and they should have no more than one F to attend the Homecoming dance on Oct. 5th. Extenuating circumstances are always considered.

CHS holds all students to high academic standards, while acknowledging the whole student story. We know that academic success begins with student engagement in the learning environment. As such, we are aligned with the district's initiative to improve attendance and the state of Colorado's Compulsory Attendance Law. The goal of ATTENDdance is to proactively make a plan with the student that allows for the student to demonstrate adequate progress towards their academics and attendance. Adequate progress is defined as movement towards demonstrated quantifiable improvement in academics, attendance or both. This is part of an individualized plan to support academic success and is based on a student's individual needs.

For instance a plan may contain the following:

If they have more than 1 F, (2 or more):

They will have to create a plan to improve their academics with the Engagement Counselor and/or administrator. The plan encourages student Academic progress by:

Meeting with a teacher, according to plan

Turning in missing assignments, according to plan

Raising a grade percentage (growth), according to plan
Attend Academic time, Tutor Time, Advisory, Drop-in-tutoring, according to plan

If they have less than 85% attendance rate:

They will have to create a plan to improve their attendance with a Engagement Counselor and/or administrator. The plan encourages student attendance by:

Attending a certain percentage the week prior, according to plan
Meeting with teacher to develop pathway, according to plan

Students will have time to work on these areas and begin a pathway towards better habits of attendance and academic support prior to the dance. They can use Advisory, Academic Time, and Tutor Time, to work with teachers to get their grades up and they can attend all classes to prevent having to get on an attendance contract.

How you can help as a parent: Please monitor your students attendance and grades and assist us in partnering to support your student. If your student is at-risk for not being eligible to attend the dance (<85% year-to-date attendance or failing grades) they will need to meet with their administrator or the engagement counselor. Please call or email Heather Patik (720-561-7650) if you have any questions or concerns.

List of Administrators and Counseling for Support:

Heather Patik: Engagement Counselor 720-561-7650

Andrea Davidson: Assistant Principal A-E 720-561-5434

Augusto Di Laura: Assistant Principal H-O 720-561-5361

Jennifer Piggott: Assistant Principal P-Z 720-561-5355

Student ID's



Student ID'S are required to enter the school each day so make sure you have your school ID with you at all times. If you have an ID that is not working please see Adela in security to get this fixed for you.

Staff Appreciation Committee



STAFF APPRECIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Join us on Thursday, September 19th 5:30p.m.- 6p.m.

We will be meeting in the fish bowl to share information about what we do, how you can help and the plans for this school year.

If you are interested but cannot make the meeting, please contact Traci Kirk at tracikirk1@gmail.com for more information. Please also consider donating to the Teacher and Staff Appreciation fund by visiting your RevTrak account or using the QR code below.



Booster Club News



Booster Club News! First the golf tournament and now the auction is live!

We're thrilled to announce that our silent auction is now live! This is a fantastic opportunity to bid on a range of amazing items while supporting the Centaurus Warriors Booster Club.

Auction Highlights:

Local Area Gift Cards: Treat yourself or someone special to dining, shopping, and more at some of our favorite local spots.

Date Nights: Enjoy a memorable night out with special experiences and packages.

Sporting Events: Score tickets to exciting games and cheer on your favorite teams.

In-Home Designing: Refresh your space with expert design services and products.

How to Participate:

Visit the Auction Site: [Link here.](#)

Browse the Items: Check out all the incredible offerings.

Place Your Bids: Make your bids and watch as the auction unfolds.

Support a Great Cause: All proceeds benefit the Centaurus Warriors Booster Club, helping support our students and programs.

The auction will be open until September 15 at 1:00, so don't miss out on the chance to get great deals and support a worthy cause.

Thank you for your continued support, and happy bidding!

College Planning



Upcoming college /Post-Grad Visits

[Link to colleges and dates](#)

Senior College Planning Night

September 11, 2024- [Click here for more information](#)

Out of State College Fair

Monarch High School is hosting the Out of State College Fair in cooperation with College Fairs of Greater Denver on September 25th 5:30pm - 7:30 pm.

You can register [HERE](#) for the college fair.

In-State College Fair

Broomfield High School is hosting the In-State College Fair in cooperation with the Colorado Council. The event is October 30, 2024, from 6:00 - 7:30 PM in the Eagle Gym. Please register before the event at

[StriveFair.com](#)

[Flyer 1](#)

[Flyer 2](#)

Parent workshop- college funding coach

November 5th- 6:00pm-7:30pm - [More information here](#)

Lafayette Library Opportunity

[Link 1](#)

[Link 2](#)

Grad Plus



Open house

We'd like to invite you to the [Boulder TEC](#) Open House on Tuesday, November 19th from 4:30-7:00 pm. As the designated Career and Technical School in BVSD, students are able to earn industry certificates, college credits, and participate in work-based learning opportunities in many of our programs. All are welcome to come meet our students, visit with instructors, and learn more about the programs available to 11th and 12 graders throughout the district. The priority

application window for the 2025-2026 school year will open in January 2025.

Free tuition

Did you know that your student could achieve a tuition free Associate's Degree while still enrolled in High School?

In partnership with Front Range Community College, BVSD

Students can earn a two-year associate degree that will transfer to any public four-year school in Colorado. THAT'S TWO YEARS OF 4 YEAR COLLEGE FOR FREE!!

To Find out more, check out [THIS LINK](#) or contact your Warrior Grad Plus Site Lead, wendy.pearson@bvsd.org

Sports/Clubs



Football

Cheer on your Centaurus Warrior Football Team on Friday, September 13th as they take on the Monarch Coyotes at 7pm. This is a highly anticipated rivalry game. We will be selling **Red Out Game** rivalry t-shirts to support our football team starting on Monday, Sept 9th during all lunch periods and before the game by the stadium entrance. Only \$15 each.

Spanish Club

Do you need volunteer hours? Enjoy helping the community? Want to further your knowledge of Spanish language and culture? Spanish Club, every Tuesday morning at 8 in room 211. Big things planned for this year, tell your friends!

Centaurus Money Club

Learn about the crazy world of finance- all the things you need to get your money up through investing, jobs, and the world of business. Every Wednesday morning in Mr. Vermillion's room.

CENTAURUS		WEEKLY SCHEDULE		CENTAURUS	
CENTAURUS ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES					
SEPTEMBER 9 - 14					
9 MONDAY	10 TUESDAY	11 WEDNESDAY	12 THURSDAY	13 FRIDAY	14 SATURDAY
3:30 & 5:30 PM: Softball @ Monarch (V & JV)	8:00 AM: Boys Golf @ Monarch Invitational 4:00 & 6:00 PM: Boys Soccer vs. Boulder (Level C, JV, V) 4:00 PM: Boys Tennis @ Niwot (JV & V) 6:00 & 7:00 PM: Girls Volleyball @ Skyview (JV & V)	NO EVENTS SCHEDULED	4:00 & 5:30 PM: Boys Soccer @ Mullen (Level C/JV/V) 4:00 PM: Softball vs. Middle Park 5:00 PM: Girls Volleyball vs. DSST Montview (V)	8:00 AM: Boys Tennis @ Ralston Valley Invitational (V) 7:00 PM: Football (V) vs. Monarch	8:00 AM: Cross Country @ Roosevelt Invitational 8:00 AM: Boys Tennis @ Ralston Valley Invitational 9:00 AM: Football (C/JV) @ Monarch 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM: Softball @ Battle Mountain (V & JV)

Advisory Update



September 12, 2024
 9th- Executive functioning lesson
 10th- Smart goals
 11th- Game Day
 12th- Senior meeting with Jostens

Mental Health Moment



As I am sure we are all aware, adolescents across our country are demonstrating a need for increased mental health support. Here in BVSD, adolescent mental health is a top priority. We are dedicated to providing support and resources for our students. [Here is a list of mental health resources](#) available here in Boulder County, and even more specific [support here within BVSD](#). As always, here at Centaurus, the Counseling Department is also here to help. Please find more information about us and how to contact us on our [website](#).

Athletics News

Football



Football moved to 2-0 on the young season last Friday with another dominant effort, this time taking down crosstown rival Boulder 38-7. Shout-out to our amazing fans, Cheer, Poms, and Marching Band on making it a truly incredible home opener!

Girls Volleyball



Girls volleyball went on the road and defeated Vista Peak 3-0 on Tuesday!

Softball



Softball's impressive start to the season continued on Tuesday, defeating Boulder 5-2!

Boys Tennis



Boys tennis defeated Broomfield in a home league dual 5-2!

Getting to know your Centaurus Team

Zachary Strand- Choir Teacher



Please say hello to our new choir teacher, Mr. Strand! Mr. Strand is a BVSD product (graduated from that school out west) and has been teaching in the district for 7 years. He is a lover of living; an athlete, musician, writer, explorer, Buckeyes fan, and coffee connoisseur. He has had the opportunity to sing in the Lincoln Center of NYC, climb Mt. Kilimanjaro, witness Wimbledon's Centre Court, and is currently pursuing his 3rd Master's Degree in Education. He and his wife Jackie currently reside in Lafayette and enjoy visits to Brew Coffee and Folsom Field.



District News

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