

October 1, 2026

Dear Future Redhawk Families,

The Redhawk community is looking forward to welcoming the Class of 2031 to Naperville Central! We're committed to helping you learn more about NCHS traditions and practices by inviting you to engage in our orientation events, each designed to share information about various aspects of the Redhawk student and parent experience and help families prepare for a smooth and successful transition to NCHS. Events with a * require sign-up at <https://tinyurl.com/redhawkspchs>.

On **November 10, 2026** from 3:45-5:00 PM, we invite you to join us for a guided [*NCHS Building Tour and Q&A Session](#) for families wanting an early start to their process of learning about high school options.

On **December 9, 2026**, we invite *parents* of 8th grade students to an evening program during which we will provide an overview of the course selection process, including details about the course options available for freshmen. **The presentation will begin at 6:30pm in the Auditorium (Door 24) at NCHS.** This presentation will begin in the NCHS Auditorium at 6:30 pm and includes opportunities to hear from and ask questions of our Math & Science Department Chairs, Social Studies & Communication Department Chairs, and our PE & Elective Department Chairs. Please park in our Auditorium parking lot (Hillside and West streets) and access the Auditorium entrance (Door #24). We hope you are able to join us in-person for this event, but for those unable to attend, the presentation will also be available on the NCHS website.

On **January 7, 2027**, we welcome current 8th grade *students* attending private, parochial or home schools to a *Student Orientation Program held **in the Auditorium at NCHS**. Immediately after this event, we'll welcome parents to join their student at 12:15 pm for a *Question and Answer session for students currently attending a private, parochial or home school junior high program. Please consult the information on the next page for full details and to sign up.

On **January 13, 2027**, 8th grade students and families are invited to join us for Freshman Family Orientation. We will formally welcome members of the class of 2031 to Naperville Central with a program that will begin at **6:30pm in the NCHS Main Gym**. Following this welcome presentation, you will have the opportunity to learn more about the academic and extra-curricular opportunities available to students at NCHS.

Our hope is that these events will provide you with the information you will need to be confident in the course selections you and your student make for freshman year. The enrollment process for incoming 9th grade students currently attending private, parochial or home schools will begin on January 15, 2027 at: <https://www.naperville203.org/page/3244>. We encourage families to complete the online enrollment process by January 26, 2027. Course selection sheets are due by this date as well. Please contact Christina George for a copy of the course selection sheet at cgeorge@naperville203.org.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction



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Naperville Central High School
8th Grade Student Orientation Program for
Students Currently Attending
Private and Parochial Schools

Thursday, January 7, 2027 -
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Schedule of Events

Time	Program Component	Location
10:00 AM	8th Grade Students Arrive & Check in with Mrs. Dotson	NCHS Auditorium Entrance (Door #24)
10:15-11:15 AM	NCHS Orientation (Curriculum and Extracurricular Activities)	NCHS Auditorium
11:15 AM-12 PM	Building Tour with Student Ambassadors	Throughout NCHS
12-12:15 PM	Wrap-up	NCHS Auditorium
12:15-1 PM	Question and Answer Session for 8th grade Students and Parents <i>* Parents/Guardians should join their student at 12:15 PM. Please park in the Visitor Parking Lot in the front of the school (Door 1) and sign in as a guest at our Welcome Center (this will require a Driver License or State ID). Our Welcome Center staff will direct parents to the Principal's Conference Room.</i>	NCHS Principal's Conference Room (located within the Learning Commons)
<i>Our Program Concludes at 1:00 PM</i>		

If you are interested in attending our Orientation Program at Naperville Central, please sign-up at <https://tinyurl.com/redhawkspchs>.