



THE NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL MESSAGE

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North Central Families,

To quote Charles Dickens's *A Tale of Two Cities*, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." Every generation is faced with defining moments in time. As parents and educators, we constantly strive to prepare our students for the world outside North Central that exists all around them: that which is seen and that which is yet to be seen. We teach them how to read. We teach them how to write. And we teach them how to calculate. Then, of course, there are the less tangible skills we teach such as how to work in a team, think critically, and develop curiosity about what they encounter each day.

We want to prepare students to lead productive and successful lives once they leave us and enter into adulthood. But what lies ahead? Did educators of twenty years ago know that so much of our world would heavily involve many facets of technology? Could they have known what skills would be necessary in today's job market? Doubtful, yet they had to do their best to prepare the youth for a yet to be seen world. And today? Educators are still charged with the same complicated task – preparing students for the unknown.

As we enter the second half of another school year and prepare another graduating class of North Central to enter an unpredictable, yet exciting world of challenges, let us remember that even though the future remains unknowable, we must be certain that we as parents and educators are doing our best to prepare our youth for what will certainly be the best of times and the worst of times.

We know this much to be true. Tomorrow will be here soon enough, and we cannot know what the future holds.



Continuing the Tradition of Excellence,

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PTO

Dear North Central Families,

A tremendous "thanks" to our many committee chairs and volunteers who work throughout the year! As we get rolling in the second semester we are gearing up for Junior Spec, Prom and BLAST OFF, please be on the lookout for signups to assist with ticket sales for these upcoming events.

The Great North Run, sponsored by the Advancement Center, is upon us! Thank you to all families who have already registered. Reminder – when you register, note that you/your student/your family is entered for NORTH CENTRAL. Every NORTH CENTRAL entry guarantees a portion of the race's proceeds will be returned to NCHS directly for the school to use for student/staff support. We have a goal of 200 participants annually... show your **#NCPride!** and participate in this great event! You can find more information on the Washington Township website and to register!

Reminder – this is a busy time for many families considering what school their 8th grader will attend for the next school year. Please share the great news about North Central with them! Consider asking a family to make an appointment with one of the NCHS guidance counselors to learn more about NC. The NC PTO provides tours every Friday at NC. Simply have anyone interested in learning more about NC call the NCHS receptionist and schedule a **Friday Tour** to learn more from one of our NCHS volunteers during an hour-long tour of the building.

Our next **Bagels with Branigan** will be held on **Friday, February 9, 2018 at 8:00 am**. This meeting is ALWAYS a great one to catch up with the latest from the our Principal.

As always, thanks for your continued support!

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**GREAT NORTH
RUN
NCXC COURSE
SATURDAY
MARCH 10, 2018
REGISTER
EARLY & SAVE**

WWW.ADVANCEMENTCENTERWTS.ORG



**PTO SPONSORED
BAGELS
WITH
BRANIGAN
FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 9
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FEBRUARY 2018

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				1 EARLY RELEASE GRADES 9,11,12 MYP GRADE 10	2 6:30 pm Tootsie Pop Concert (Auditorium)	3
4	5	6 7 pm TOPPS Meeting 7 pm Freshman & Sophomore Career & College Night (Auditorium)	7 6:30 pm Practice SAT/ACT Scores Back & Strategy Session (L249)	8 7 pm Show Choir Preview Show (Auditorium)	9 8 am Bagels with Branigan (H193) 5 pm Latin Club Spaghetti Sauce Cook off (Cafeteria) 7 pm NC vs Pike	10 1 pm NCSD Girls State (IUPUI) 6 pm BHC Deep in the South Café (Cafeteria) 8 pm NC GirlsBB@ Decatur
11 1 pm Wind Ensemble Concert (Second Pres)	12 7 pm NCAB Meeting (Pool Classroom)	13 7 pm Junior Night (Auditorium)	14 VALENTINES DAY 	15 SENIOR BLOOD DRIVE (Main Gym)	16 NO SCHOOL MID TERM BREAK	17
18	19 SCHOOL SNOW MAKE UP DAY	20 3RD APPRAISAL REPORTS DISTRIBUTED Period 3	21	22 3:30 pm "Study Smart" Workshop (L249) 3:30 pm Math Bowl (Main Gym) 7 pm One Act Play (PAC)	23 4 – 10 pm One Act Play (PAC)	24 8 am ISSMA Band & Orchestra State Solo & Ensemble Contest (Building) 6:30 pm Ladies First Fashion Show (Cafeteria)
25 2 pm College Goal Sunday (Various Indianapolis Locations)	26 2:45 pm NHS Meeting (L249)	27 6:45 am NHS Meeting (L249) 7 pm NC @Warren Carmel Sectional	28	 <p>Are you the type to save a life?</p> <p>SENIOR BLOOD DRIVE THURSDAY FEB 15</p>		

MORE CALENDAR INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: <http://www.nchs.cc>.

GUIDANCE



SENIOR

- **Senior Surveys Due April 17**
- **Ticket Sales for Parent Appreciation Luncheon, April 17-24**
CASH ONLY, seniors may purchase a total of **THREE** tickets - one for him/her + 2 parental guests.
- **Ticket Sales for Grad Dance & Blast Off, May 1-8, CASH ONLY**
- All arrears must be cleared by **May 12** to receive your cap and gown, **cash or credit card only**, checks will **not** be accepted.
- **Cap and Gown Distribution, May 29**
- **Senior Parent Appreciation Luncheon, May 29, 10:30 am**, Ritz Charles
- **Baccalaureate, May 29, 7 pm**, NCHS Auditorium
- **Required Commencement Practice, May 30, 8 - 11:30 am**, Indiana Farmers Coliseum, State Fairgrounds
- **Commencement, May 30, 7 pm**, Indiana Farmers Coliseum, State Fairgrounds
- **Graduation Dinner Dance, June 1, 7 - 11 pm**
- **Blast Off, June 2, midnight - 3 am.** (following the Grad Dinner Dance) in the NCHS Main Gym

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

FAFSA is used by college and university financial aid offices to determine eligibility for grants, low-interest loans, college work-study programs and sometimes scholarships. **Indiana colleges generally require the form to be filed by April 15 of the senior year, but some colleges have earlier deadlines.** Be sure to check the priority date for your schools of interest. Applying after deadlines could mean loss of funds.

Filing Tips:

- File online: www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Meet your colleges' deadlines if earlier than Indiana's
- *Read and follow the instructions*

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Visit Mrs. Stroke in the Guidance Office for a list of available scholarships. Also, seniors may access scholarship information and downloadable applications via **Naviance**. The following are representative of scholarships available with fast approaching deadline dates:

- 2018 North Central/Advancement Center Scholarships – Deadline February 12, 2018
- The Hamann Family Scholarship – Deadline February 21, 2018
- Tzu Chi Scholarship – Deadline March 2, 2018
- Greenbriar Elementary School Alumni Scholarship – Deadline March 16, 2018

JUNIOR NIGHT



"Inside the College Admission Office"
Tuesday, February 13, 7 pm
North Central Auditorium

This meeting is for ALL juniors and parents!

Those in attendance will be the first to receive The College Handbook, specifically designed for the college and scholarship search process for North Central students.

COLLEGE CONSULTATIONS FOR JUNIORS

Juniors are welcome to schedule a meeting with Mrs. Susie Bremen, Coordinator for College Counseling, to talk about the college search process. The **"My College Search"** form **must be completed before a meeting can be scheduled**. Forms are available in the Guidance Office. Parents are encouraged to attend the meetings.

ACT TEST STRATEGY

ZAPS ACT Test Prep will be back at North Central on Sunday, March 11 from 12:30 pm - 6 pm (L249). The cost is \$89.99. See your counselor about possible scholarships. Register at www.doorwaytocollege.com

Greater Indianapolis North Side College Fair
Wednesday, March 14, 6-8 pm
Grand Park Event Facility, Westfield



COLLEGE COST ESTIMATOR

The National Center for College Costs (NCCC) offers **FREE** services to all NC families as they prepare for college. Complete the College Cost estimator at www.collegecosts.com and they will provide strategies and advice on how to pay for college. Their website covers college selection ideas, timelines, financial aid, and admission issues. **You can take advantage of these services as early as the freshman year.**



VISITING COLLEGE CAMPUSES

Seniors and Juniors are allowed two school days annually to make official visits to colleges. The process for scheduling visits is outlined on page 106 in the NC 2017-2018 Student Calendar Handbook.

The **College Campus Visit Form**, available in the Attendance Office, **must be completed and signed by a parent, the student, and an administrator, and each of their teachers prior to the visit.** Bring back an official letter from the college admission office verifying the visit.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM TEST REGISTRATION DATES & DEADLINES

Test	Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Registration	Testing is available on Sundays after the national testing dates at Hasten Hebrew Academy for students unable to test on Saturdays for religious reasons. Seating is on a first come first served basis.
SAT	Mar 10	Feb 9	Feb 28	
ACT	Apr 14	Mar 9	Mar 23	
SAT	May 5	Apr 6	Apr 25	
ACT	Jun 9	May 4	May 18	

Register on line at: www.sat.org or www.actstudent.org

North Central High School Orchestras Present

Friday February 2, 2018

**Music Festival 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
with Concert at 6:30 p.m.**



\$7.00 per person

Tickets sold at the door
Pre-sale tickets available at will-call
by downloading order form on website
northcentralorchestras.org

**North Central High
School Auditorium**
1801 E. 86th St. Enter door 31

**Petting Zoo & crafts available
before & after concert**
Concessions available



**THURSDAY FEB 22 @ 7 PM
FRIDAY FEB 23 @ 4 & 7 PM**

**NORTH CENTRAL
BANDS
WIND ENSEMBLE**



North Central High School Wind Ensemble in concert

**Sunday, February 11th
3:00 p.m.**

Admission is free

*Donations for the Northside Food
Pantry Accepted



**MID TERM BREAK
FEB 16 - NO SCHOOL**

**SNOW MAKE UP DAY
FEB 19 - SCHOOL**



NORTH CENTRAL CHOIR AUDITIONS 2018-2019

We would like to invite singers
and piano accompanists to
participate in one of our 10 North
Central Choirs. We will find the
perfect choir for YOU!

The following dates are available
for choir auditions for current and incoming North Central students
who are not currently singing in a North Central or MSDWT Middle
School Ensembles.

Tuesday, January 30 at 2:45 pm and Thursday, February 1 at 2:45
pm in K213.

Tuesday, February 6 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm in room K211. Enter
door 11 East.

Snow date is February 7, same time and place.

Please contact Mr. Raunick at mraunick@msdwt.k12.in.us or Mrs.

Click at jclick@msdwt.k12.in.us for questions .

**NORTH CENTRAL
BANDS**



Indiana Bandmasters Association

CONGRATULATIONS TO NC BAND ALL STATE MUSICIANS

Honor Band: Rebecca Smollen - Oboe, Julia Mann - Bassoon,
Elise Granlund - Eb Clarinet, and Dylan Green - Percussion

All State Band: Ethan Morris - Oboe, Emma Spaniol - Clarinet,
Alex McGrath - French Horn, and Simon Cohen - Euphonium

Alternates: Liah Townsley - Bass Clarinet and Jimmy Stueve -
Trombone

Jr. All State Band: Ethan Morris - Oboe, Ella Buckner - Clarinet,
Christopher Gonzalez - Bassoon, Eiven Sandstrom - Trumpet, and
Askar Mazitov - Trombone

IJE Junior All-State Jazz Ensemble: Benjamin Goldstein -
Tenor Saxophone

MIC CHORAL COMPETITION

North Centrals choirs will host more
than forty central Indiana high
school and middle school show,
concert choirs and vocal soloists on
March 3, 2018 at the annual MIC
Choir Competition.

Competition Show Choirs will
compete in the Auditorium and
Concert Choirs, Soloists, Festival
and Middle School Choirs will
perform in the Performance
Classroom.



Performances begin at 7:30 am and last throughout the day until
11:00 pm. Ticket prices are \$10.00 for single sessions and \$15.00 for
an all-day pass. Join us for our 21st Annual MIC Choral Competition
as we "bring the best together under one roof." Please check
www.nchschoirs.com for a schedule of performance times which will
be posted on March 1.

For specific questions please contact Mrs. Click,
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North Central Choir Directors.