



# THE NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL MESSAGE

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NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL  
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### STUDENT APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE

Parents or guardians should call the Attendance Office at (317) 259-5355, Ext. 45556, and leave a detailed message of absence or scheduled doctor's appointment. (Notes will not be accepted). It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to pick up the green pass from the attendance office. Passes can be picked up during passing periods or lunch periods. It is NOT school policy to interrupt class time. When the student acquires the green pass, s/he may leave the building to meet the parent or guardian for the appointment at door # 1. Return proof of appointment to the Attendance Office. This information can be found on Page 107 of the Student Calendar and Handbook.

### ABSENCES

For state reporting, absences from school are counted as periods missed: 1-3 class periods missed counts as 1/2 day absence, 4-7 class periods missed counts as a full day of absence from school. Students who are absent for any reason are expected to obtain assignments from North Central's Homework Hotline. The number to call is (317) 259-5355, then your teacher's extension. To obtain your teacher's telephone extension number, go to [www.nchs.cc](http://www.nchs.cc), then click on Directory.

### PREARRANGED ABSENCES

A Prearranged Absence Form (pink) is required. This should be used if a student needs to be:

- Out of town for a Wedding
- Religious conference
- Family vacation
- Absent for any reason which does not constitute an excused absence.

Forms may be picked up from Attendance personnel prior to the dates absent, and must be completed and turned in to an administrator 3 days prior to his/her absence.

### THERE WILL BE NO PROVISION FOR PREARRANGED ABSENCES:

- DURING THE FINAL WEEK OF ANY GRADING PERIOD
- FOR ANY CLASS DURING SUMMER SCHOOL
- DURING THE WEEK OF OR PRIOR TO OR FOLLOWING A SCHOOL VACATION PERIOD.

It is the decision of the school administrator to determine if a prearranged absence will be granted.

Please review the above procedures with your child.

Evans Branigan III  
Principal North Central High School  
[bbranigan@msdwt.k12.in.us](mailto:bbranigan@msdwt.k12.in.us)



A very special part of our PTO is the honor we have to recognize "Unsung Students" at the annual Student Recognition Night. Students nominated for this award are students who have exemplified strong moral character and citizenship through the values of caring, courage, honesty, respect, responsibility or self-discipline. These students must have a 2.0 GPA with no significant disciplinary actions against them. From NCHS staff nominations, our PTO awards a crispy \$50 bill to 2 students from each grade level. Please attend the **April 22, 2019** Recognition Night and learn more about the 8 students who will receive this year's awards that we are able to provide due to your generous donations this year.

Highlighting a special thank you to all families who registered for the Great North Run this year. It was a great morning filled with fitness and friends. What a great way to support The Advancement Center that does so much for district both in and out of the classroom.

As always, thank you to our PTO "General Volunteer Pool," who have stepped up for many things this year. These "I'll help when I can" volunteers show what it means to care about NCHS. We are grateful for all of you! We have a few more opportunities to help throughout the rest of the school year - including the very special Administrative Support Staff Recognition Day. Please contact us at [ptonorthcentral@gmail.com](mailto:ptonorthcentral@gmail.com) if you are able to help out.

We hope you will make it to our last **Bagels with Branigan** on **Friday, April 19th at 7:30 am** in room **H193**.

THANKS for continuing to highlight a great year!

Aimbriel Lasley & Stacy Lozer  
NCHS PTO Co-Presidents  
[ptonorthcentral@gmail.com](mailto:ptonorthcentral@gmail.com)

## LIVING HISTORY DAY

Thursday, April 11  
7:20 am – 2:35 pm

History comes alive as NCHS hosts Veterans sharing their stories and memorabilia in the Lower Information Center.

Contact Leslie Wilson at [lwilson@msdwt.k12.in.us](mailto:lwilson@msdwt.k12.in.us) if you would like to participate.



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BAGELS  
WITH  
BRANIGAN  
FRIDAY  
APRIL 19  
7:30 AM  
(H193)



# APRIL 2019

**SUN**

**MON**

**TUE**

**WED**

**THU**

**FRI**

**SAT**

	<b>1</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION	<b>2</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION	<b>3</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION 7 pm NCXC Call Out (Cafeteria)	<b>4</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION	<b>5</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION	<b>6</b> 10 am ISSMA (PAC)	
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2:45 pm NHS Meeting (L249) 7 pm NCAB Meeting (Pool Classroom)	<b>9</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION 6:45 am NHS Meeting (L249) 7 pm MSDWT Choral Festival (Main Gym)	<b>10</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION	<b>11</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION 6 pm Athletics Physical Night (Main Gym)	<b>12</b> SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION	<b>13</b> 7:30 am ACT Test (Upper H Hall) 8 pm JR PROM (Old National Centre)	
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 3 - 6 pm MYP Exhibit (Main Gym, Cafeteria)	<b>19</b> <b>END OF 4th INTERIM REPORT PERIOD</b> 7:30 am Bagels with Branigan (H193) 4 & 7 pm Spring Play	<b>20</b> 2:30 & 7 pm Spring Play	
<b>21</b> EASTER	<b>22</b> EARTH DAY 7 pm RECOGNITION NIGHT	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 4th APPRAISAL REPORTS DISTRIBUTED	<b>27</b>	
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 5:30 - 8 pm Workshop Athletics Recruiting Meeting (Easterday)	<b>30</b> 7 pm Bound for Broadway (PAC)	 <b>WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS</b>				<b>MSDWT IS NOW HIRING</b> CHILD NUTRITION CAFÉ TEAM \$12.50 PER HOUR  APPLY ON LINE AT WWW.MSDWT.K12.IN.US QUESTIONS? 317 845 9400

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

# GUIDANCE



## CLASS OF 2020 COLLEGE ADMISSION BOOT CAMP



Wednesday, June 19-Friday, June 21 8:30 am-3:00 pm  
Fee: \$120.00

Fee Waiver available for students meeting Federal Income Guidelines for Free/Reduced Lunch & Textbook rental fees. This evolved three day workshop provides students with structured time to gain critical understanding of the college admissions process. College Admission Boot Camp instills confidence in participants to reach goals and navigate the process with success. By taking this step, you will alleviate some of the stress time-crunched seniors feel in the fall!

Online registration link opens **Friday, April 19**. Boot Camp provides students the opportunity to:

- Develop two college application essay drafts
- Create a college admission/scholarship resume
- Research colleges
- Utilization of Naviance
- Determining college "fit" criteria
- Develop interviewing skills
- Learn how to get the most out of visiting college campuses
- Work with national admission expert guest facilitator, Dr. Bruce Chamberlin, Georgetown University (helpful advice no matter where students plan to apply)
- Receive essay coaching and personal feedback, from trained faculty and administrators

Receive 'Boot Camp' e-binder – loaded with helpful resources including successful college admission essay examples.



## CLASS OF 2020 PARENTS & STUDENTS "Coffee and CCR 101 Conversation"

Consider attending our April "Coffee & CCR 101 Conversation" **Thursday, April 11** with Mrs. Easterday. We will spend our time looking at some college admission statistics from the Class of 2018, review counseling resources and career awareness tools. Discussion will be encouraged. The purpose of the monthly session is to assist parents and families to better understand college admission, career awareness, and to share helpful resources in counseling students. Again, due to intentionality of keeping it an interactive dialogue, group size will be small(ish) of 20 people to encourage learning and exchange. We begin at 8:00 a.m. Kim Dickerson, Director of High School Counseling and Laurie Stroke, College Assistant and Scholarship Liaison will be joining as well. Coffee will be provided! The session concludes at 9:15 a.m. Sign Up Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4dada622a2f49->



## CLASS OF 2020

**Meeting with Mrs. Easterday to discuss college search planning.** Students may sign themselves up to meet with Mrs. Easterday in small group sessions (no more than 6 students) after school from 2:45-3:45 pm. - only through Naviance "College Visits" tab - her name appears as one of the upcoming college visits to NC. Meeting time is offered weekly - typically Thursdays and sometimes on Mondays depending upon the staff meetings and Counseling Center obligations.

## FREE SAT OR ACT TEST PREP

Evolved test prep options so more students are positioned to take advantage of available prep resources, on their time schedule and through a variety of offerings!

**PRINCETON REVIEW:** Link:

<https://www.princetonreview.com/college/free-sat-practice-test#!practice>

SAT and ACT full length practice tests, SAT Prep Free Trial, SAT Live Online Strategy Session, ACT vs. SAT Comparison, ACT vs. SAT Strategy Session

**KHAN ACADEMY:** FREE SAT prep at

<https://www.khanacademy.org/sat> Link your College Board Account Khan Academy so a personalized SAT prep plan is created from your PSAT Score Report - **Video:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=patbkNnnAQ4>

**ACT ACADEMY:** FREE ACT prep - <https://academy.act.org/>

**INSTANT SAT PRACTICE TEST SCORING:** Simulate test day and take the SAT. Online Practice Test Link:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/full-length-practice-tests> Then—for the first time ever—take a picture of your answer sheet and get an instant score.

Here's how Scan and Score works: Take a complete SAT practice test, using the official answer sheet to bubble in your answers. Open Daily Practice and activate your phone's camera. Keeping the app open, scan your answer sheet with your phone's camera and there it is in seconds: your score. Scores are saved so you can track your progress. Next, dig into the question-by-question details, then connect to Official SAT Practice at Khan Academy® for personalized study.



## TAKING ACT & SAT?

Remember that while the majority of Indiana colleges and universities don't require the optional Writing Test for either the SAT or ACT, it's a good idea to check specific college websites and verify. Some colleges outside of Indiana may require one Writing Score from either ACT or SAT. If this is the case, students should plan to add the Writing Test just once - not multiple times.

## COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM

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. \*NC is a host test site on these dates. Register on line at: [www.sat.org](http://www.sat.org) or [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

Test & Date	Regular Deadline	Online Score Release
SAT - March 9	Feb. 8	March 22
*ACT - April 13	March 8	April 23
*SAT - May 4	April 5	May 17
*SAT - June 1	May 3	July 10
*ACT - June 8	May 3	June 18
ACT - July 13	June 14	July 23

**SUMMER SCHOOL 2019**  
JUNE 10 - JUNE 28 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM



**OLD NATIONAL CENTRE**

**North Central Prom 2019  
A Night at the Louvre  
April 13, 2019**

**Time:** 8 PM – 11 PM  
**Place:** OLD NATIONAL CENTRE  
 502 N New Jersey Street  
 Indianapolis, IN 46204  
**Tickets:** On sale April 4-12 during all lunch  
 periods in the Bookstore Annex  
**Price:** \$50 per person  
 Tickets will not be sold the evening of Prom.



# ATHLETICS

## PHYSICAL NIGHT

Thursday, April 11, 2019  
 Physicals 6 - 8:30 pm  
 Enter through door 28  
 Cost \$25

Student athletes must have a completed participation packet in order to take part in summer conditioning or summer programs regardless of sport. The entire Participation Packet, including the IHSAA physical form, will be available online at [www.nchsathletics.com](http://www.nchsathletics.com) after April 1. Contact the Athletic Department with questions: (317) 259-5359.



## STUDENT ATHLETES

Student athletes who plan on participating in Division I or II level in college must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center. Register at the end of their Sophomore year.

## NCHS ATHLETES COLLEGE RECRUITING WORKSHOP

Monday April 29, 2019 6-8 pm, L249

Attention Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior Parents of NCHS Student-Athletes, if you are curious about the college athlete recruiting process, plan to attend this workshop. Members of the NCHS Athletic Department and North Central Athletic Boosters, Butler University Athletic Department, and Wabash College Athletic Department will be on hand to address:

- ~ How/When does a student become engaged in the college recruiting process?
- ~ What role do parents have in the athlete's recruitment?
- ~ How do academics/test scores effect college athletic recruiting?
- ~ Finances - the differing scholarship structures at NCAA Div. I, II, and III, NAIA, and Jr. College schools
- ~ How can the NCHS College Counselor/NC Athletics Department assist your student-athlete?

There will be a Panel Discussion involving NCHS student-athlete alumni parents whose students are continuing their athletic careers in a variety of sports (and majors!) at colleges and universities.

Questions? Contact North Central Athletic Booster President Betsy Biederstedt at: [rbieder@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rbieder@sbcglobal.net)

## 19 SENIOR PARENTS

**Blast-Off** is a supervised lock-in event that culminates a week of graduation activities and features great food, entertainment, music, games, and prizes. It is **totally** planned and funded by parents of the Senior Class. This 3-hour event starts at **11:59 pm. May 31** (following Grad Dance) until **3:00 am. June 1** in the NCHS main gymnasium. We want to make Blast-Off 2019 the best one ever and we need your help!

\* **Cash Donations:** Please make your check or money order payable to **NCHS Blast-Off 2019** and mail to **NCHS Blast Off C/O Jenny Strabala 5339 E 72nd Street, Indianapolis, IN 46250**

\* **On-line Donations:** Please click on the Senior Corner button on the NCHS Home web page, then click on the Blast Off link for information as to how make an on-line donation.

\* **Hundreds of Volunteers:** WE NEED YOUR HELP! Contact Tracy Murphy at [tracymurphy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tracymurphy@sbcglobal.net) to sign up for a volunteer slot during the event. Thank you for your support!  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4faea92aaa8-ncsenior>

Donna Schmahl & Sarah Manion  
 2019 Blast-Off Co - Chairs  
[dlschmahl@gmail.com](mailto:dlschmahl@gmail.com) or [5manions@gmail.com](mailto:5manions@gmail.com)

**DEATH TRAP** A THRILLER BY IRA LEVIN

**NC THEATRE SHOW CASE**

**DOUBLE DOWN**

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 @4 & 7PM  
 SATURDAY, APRIL 20 @2:30 & 7PM

2 NIGHTS, 2 SHOWS, TWICE THE FUN



## NHS & STUDENT COUNCIL

Help raise money for Riley Children's Foundation  
 Friday, May 4, Admission: \$5 per person  
 Proceeds from the benefit  
 Riley Children's Foundation.



May 3  
 7pm  
 PAC