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PARENT
NIGHT -
PART 1

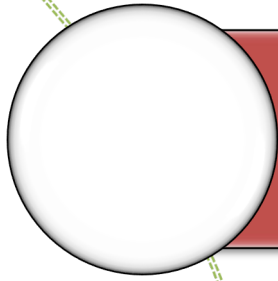
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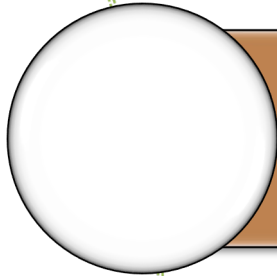
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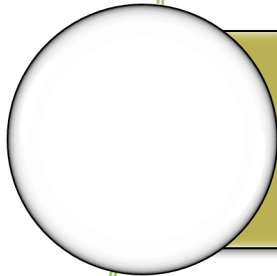
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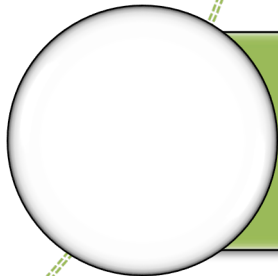
CHS Counseling Program Overview



Courses, Credits, and Promotion



Introduction to Choosing Classes
for 2021-2022 School Year



Additional Resources

Together... We Can Do Hard Things!

Online Class: Elementary vs. High School

Elementary School



High School



My kids' new teacher is so awesome. I should really get her something nice...

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Resources for Academic and Mental Health Support

Mental Health Resources:

- Chris 180 – These services are provided through a partnership between Fulton County and CHRIS 180, a non-profit organization with 38 years of experience helping children and families. CHRIS 180 has been providing school-based services since 2014 and have worked with Atlanta, Clayton, DeKalb and Fulton school systems. If you want to learn more about CHRIS 180 and their school-based services, check out their webpage at www.chris180.org/schoolbasedservices or email them at schoolbasedservices@chris180.org.
- Immediate Mental Health Resources – a list of local 24-hour mental health facilities
- Please CALL or TEXT this number to speak to someone if you or someone you know is being abused. Confidential 24 hours a day/7 days week

Academic Resources:

- Up-to-date Academic forms for 2019-2020, click [here](#)
- CHS Student Handbook: 2019-20
- Graduation Requirements for University System of GA

A Few Housekeeping Items

Please remember that this event is being recorded, so you can go back and listen to the presentation (with captions in several different languages).

Recuerde que este evento se está grabando, por lo que puede regresar y escuchar la presentación (con subtítulos en varios idiomas diferentes).

I will do my best to meet the needs of ALL families, including ESL students and students with IEPs. I have included the contact information for several individuals who can address additional questions at the end of the presentation.

We will be hosting a Freshman Parent Night – Part 2 in February, at which time we will go into more detail regarding topics like honors, AP, IB, Dual Enrollment, Fulton/Georgia Virtual school, and summer school courses. I have also posted a FAQ document on the mycentennialcounseling.com website that goes into more detail about certain topics that we cannot fully cover during this presentation.

We are not going to discuss specifics around Universal Remote Learning, recovery opportunities, etc. during this presentation; however, please refer to the Friday “Knightly Newsletter” and check the district and school websites for the most updated information around these topics.

Eric Williams (9th grade administrator), T. Brittney Lee (IB coordinator), and Hella Peart (lead counselor) will be monitoring the chat throughout the presentation. Mr. Campbell (principal) is also joining us on the call.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to your student’s counselor after the event should you have any additional questions and/or student related concerns. We will also be delivering similar information to students in October.

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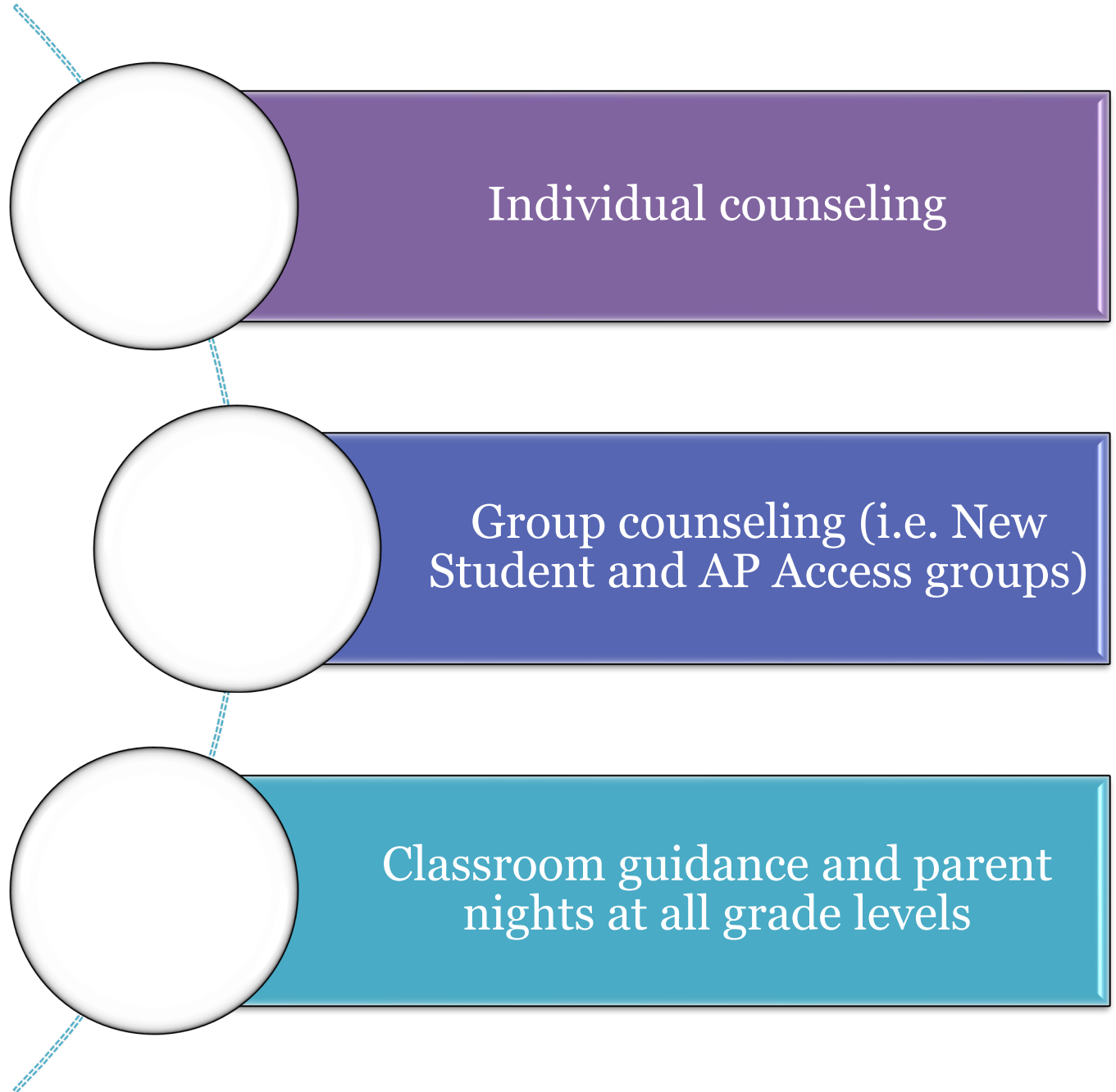
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Student Support

Grades 9 - 12



Additional Counseling Program Resources

**Counseling website, Twitter, Instagram, and
REMIND 101**

**slide with information included at the end of the presentation*

College representative visits

SAT/ACT test prep opportunities

Scholarship information

Credit recovery options

**Partnerships with CHRIS 180 and PTSA to
implement wellness initiatives**

How to Earn Credits

In middle school, grades are calculated using a system of averages.

- Example
8th grade English
- Semester 1 (Aug-Dec): 60 (F)
- Semester 2 (Jan-May): 80 (B)
- Yearly Ave: 70 (C)

- ***Student passes class for the year (earns 1.0 credit of 8th grade English).***

In high school, grades are not averaged... Each semester is independent.

- Example
9th grade English
- Semester 1 (Aug-Dec): 60 (F)
- Semester 2 (Jan-May): 80 (B)
- No Yearly Average

- ***Student fails 1st semester; passes 2nd semester (only earns .5 credit and is required to re-take first semester of 9th grade English).***

How to Earn Credits



First Semester (Aug – Dec)	Second Semester (Jan – May)
Period 1 (.5)	Period 1 (.5)
Period 2 (.5)	Period 2 (.5)
Period 3 (.5)	Period 3 (.5)
Period 4 (.5)	Period 4 (.5)
Period 5 (.5)	Period 5 (.5)
Period 6 (.5)	Period 6 (.5)
You can earn 3.0 credits per semester.	You can earn 3.0 credits per semester.
You can earn 6.0 credits per school year.	
You need total of 23.0 credits to graduate.	

Middle School Credits

High School credits earned in Middle School

- Students can earn HS credits for English, Math, Science, World Languages, and/or certain electives.
- 7th and 8th grade world language equals 1.0 HS credit.
- 7 points will be added to all passing grades in honors classes.
- Families can view transcripts in Infinite Campus. We will also provide hard copies of transcripts to all families who attend Freshman Parent Night – Part 2 in the Spring.

#9990 Holcomb Bridge Middle School			
Course	Mark	Attempted	Credit
2017-2018 Grade 08 S2			
23.2610040 9th Lit/Comp H	100	0.5000	0.5
21.4250000 FndtnsEnginr/Tech	97	0.5000	0.5
60.0110000 French 1	97	0.5000	0.5
40.2110040 Phys Sci H	104	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 2.000 GPA: 99.500			
2017-2018 Grade 08 S4			
23.2610040 9th Lit/Comp H	100	0.5000	0.5
21.4250000 FndtnsEnginr/Tech	100	0.5000	0.5
60.0110000 French 1	98	0.5000	0.5
40.2110040 Phys Sci H	103	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 2.000 GPA: 100.250			

Promotion and Grade Level

Seniors (12th Grade):
17.0 or more credits

Juniors (11th Grade):
11.0 – 16.5 credits

Sophomores (10th Grade):
5.0 – 10.5 credits

Freshmen (9th Grade):
0 – 4.5 credits



GPA Calculation

Seven points are added to passing grades for honors, AP, IB, and Dual Enrollment courses.

To calculate Fulton County GPA:

- **By Semester**
 - Add final course grades for semester
 - Divide by total number of courses taken
- **Cumulative GPA**
 - Add final grades for each course
 - Divide by total courses taken

To calculate HOPE/Zell Miller GPA:

- Includes core courses taken in HIGH SCHOOL
- Determined annually by the GA Student Finance Commission
- Visit www.GAFutures.org for additional details

*Please visit the **Parent Information Nights** link on www.mycentennialcounseling.com to view an “FAQ” document for additional information regarding the HOPE scholarship and calculating GPA.*

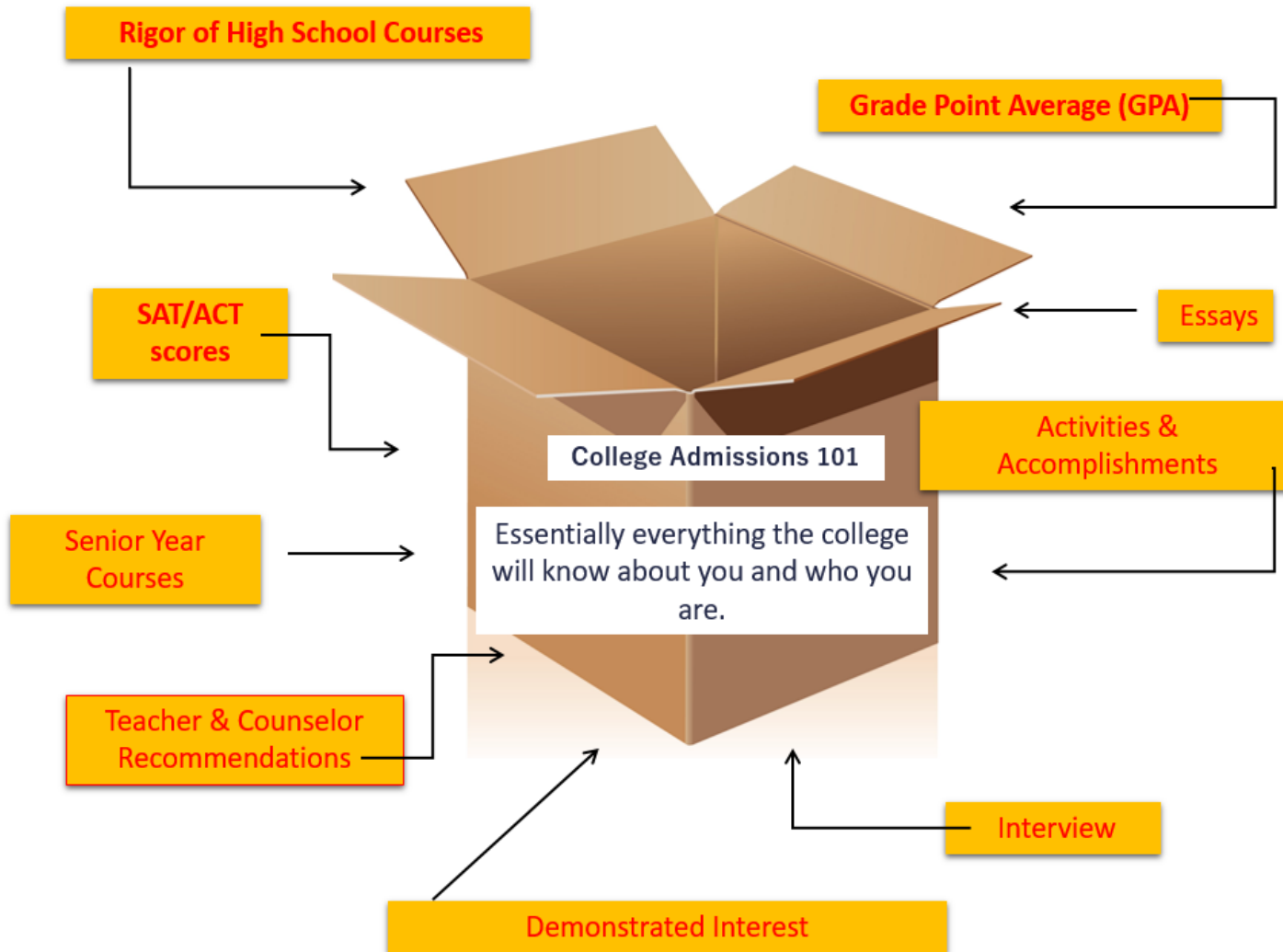
Accessing Grades/Attendance/Transcripts

Parents and students can monitor grades and attendance through Infinite Campus (IC).

Parents can also view transcripts that include middle school credits (if applicable) through Infinite Campus. Again, please note that parents will receive hard copies of students' transcripts during the February parent night for review.

Please visit <https://www.fultonschools.org/infinitecampus> for log on information.

Factors in College Admissions



Graduation Requirements

23 credits required

English – 4 credits

Math – 4 credits

Science – 4 credits

Social Studies – 3 credits

CTAE/World Language/Fine Arts* – 3 credits

- **Note: 2 or 3 years of World Language credits may be required for college admission*

Health/Personal Fitness – 1 credit (each .5)

Electives – 4 credits



Required Academic Classes

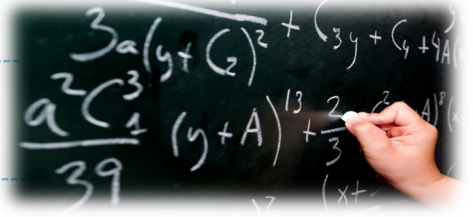
Language Arts (4 Credits)

- 9th Grade Lit & Comp
- 10th Grade Lit & Comp
- 11th Grade/American Lit
- Senior Level Lang Arts Course
(ex: AP Literature, College English, Dramatic Writing
or World Lit/Mult Lit)



Required Academic Classes

Mathematics (4 Credits)



On-Level

Algebra (9)

Geometry (10)

Algebra 2 (11)

Approved 4th Math Course (12)

Honors

Algebra Honors (8)

Geometry Honors (9)

Algebra 2 Honors (10)

Precalculus Honors (11)

Accelerated

Accelerated Algebra/Geometry A Honors (8 or 9)

Accelerated Geometry B/Algebra 2 Honors (9 or 10)

Accelerated Pre-Calculus Honors (10 or 11)

AP Math or Dual Enrollment Math

Required Academic Classes

Science (4 Credits)



- **Biology**
- **Physical Science or Physics**
- **Chemistry, Environmental Sci, Earth Systems or an AP Science class**
- **Approved 4th Science Course**

Required Academic Classes

Social Studies (3 Credits)

- **World History**
- **US History**
- **Government (1 semester)**
- **Economics (1 semester)**



Fine Arts



Art



Band



Chorus



Drama



Orchestra

Career Technology (CTAE)

**Audio/Video
Tech & Film**

**Business
Accounting**

**Computer
Science**

**Emergency
Responder
Services**

**Engineering &
Technology**

**Food &
Nutrition**

JROTC

**Law
Enforcement
Services**

Programming

**Web & Digital
Design**

World Languages



French: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AP

Spanish: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AP

German: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AP

Honors courses exist in level II and higher

Additional Required Classes

Physical education (1 credit)



- **General Health**
(1 semester)



- **Personal Fitness**
(1 semester)

*Personal Fitness exemption information
can be found www.mycentennialcounseling.com.




2021-2022 Course Selection

Teachers will recommend students for academic placement during the spring semester. Students will also learn more information about honors, AP, IB, Dual Enrollment, Fulton/Georgia Virtual School, and summer courses.



Parents/students will be given the opportunity to review recommended placements; questions should be directed to the teacher and/or counselor prior to enrollment in the course.



Students will be given opportunities to select elective courses; changes may be made within the designated enrollment period (Feb – May).



After the verification period, students are expected to complete courses in which they enroll.



Changes after the verification period will be rare and will require administrative approval.

General Tips

Get connected to Centennial

Parents: Read the “Knightly Newsletter” and check the district, school, PTSA, and counseling websites regularly.

Students: Join at least one club/activity first semester. Additional information can be found on the “Activities” link on www.chsknights.com.

Reach out for help and encourage advocacy and accountability

Now that your student is in high school, we really want to emphasize a shift in how they approach their academics. We believe it is important that students take ownership of their education and learn to advocate for themselves. When they have concerns about an assignment, a grade, or a course, they should be the ones who reach out to the teacher and ask – and then parents can follow up with teachers to confirm that the situation has been resolved.

Set a Schedule and routine

Set a daily routine for your family, set up alerts in Infinite Campus, and check Infinite Campus daily. Encourage your student check Teams at the end of each day to make sure all assignments have been submitted. Help your child stay on task, set up a method of organization, and do a weekly check in to make sure everything is running smoothly.

Practice self care: This is a difficult time. Remember that this is temporary and give yourself grace.

REMEMBER: TOGETHER... we can do hard things.

Additional Contact Information

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Yearbooks currently on sale at <http://jostensyearbooks.com>.

Attendance-related questions: Adrienne Burnett (burnettA@fultonschools.org)
<https://bit.ly/2FMFQYX> on www.chsknights.com

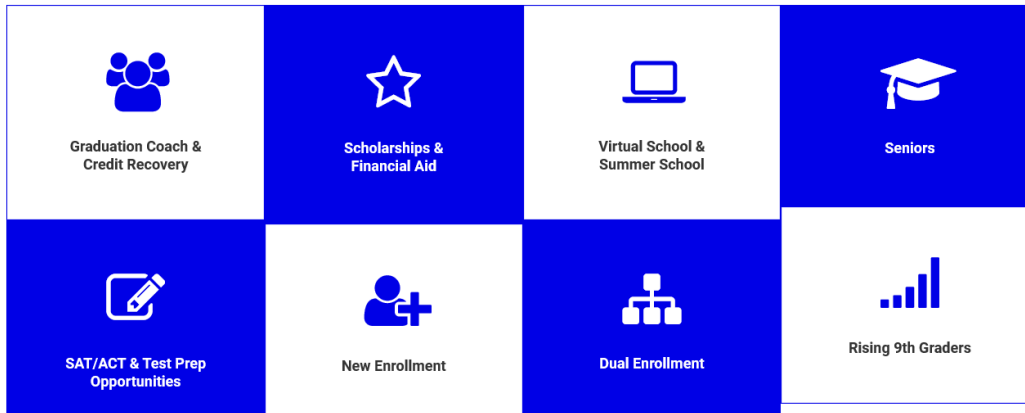
Stay Connected to Counselors

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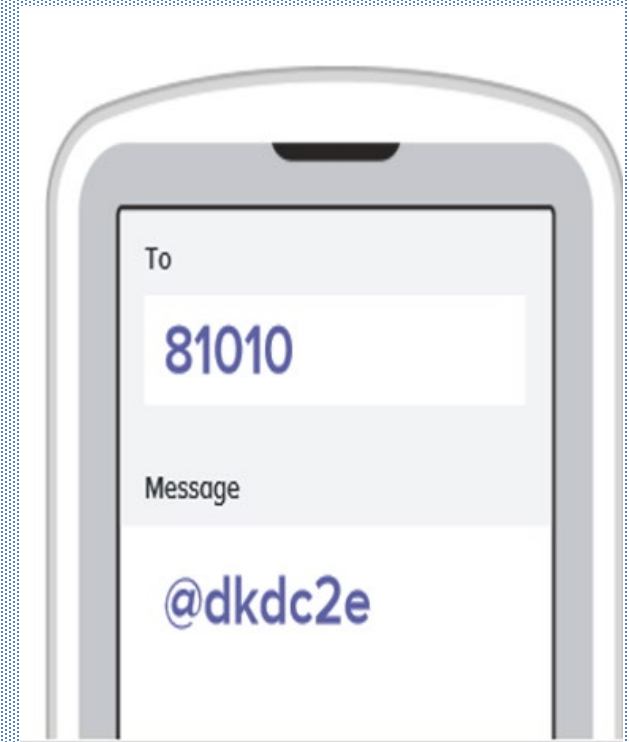
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Welcome to Centennial High School Counseling

Please check our website often for date/ time updates. Scroll down to [NEWS FEED](#) for upcoming events – For all events, click on [EVENTS](#) & [CALENDAR](#) tab on the top bar



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Moving Forward



The live recording (with captions in several different languages) will be available on the same link you joined. The Power Point will also be posted on www.mycentennialcounseling.com.



Mark your Calendar:
IB Night will be on November 4
PSAT for Freshmen will be on January 26
Freshman Parent Night – Part 2 will be on February 10



Please complete the feedback survey.
[Freshman Parent Night survey](#)

Thank you for joining us!