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Dear CATA Family,

- ◆ **PTSO**– Please check out page 8 for important information about service and volunteering.
- ◆ **Central Academy vs Concord Varsity Football this Friday night at Concord High at 6:30 PM.** Tickets may be purchased at this link until sold out: [Click here](#) Concord High is selling these tickets.
- ◆ **Bright Blessings Collection March 1 to 19:** The Hands Helping Others Club is hosting a collection drive for Bright Blessings, a charity that helps kids in lower-income situations to have books, coloring materials, stuffed animals, and a lot more. There are posters and boxes up in the hallways that have lists of things we would really appreciate for people to donate. Our prize for the Academy with the highest amount of donations is a Virtual Academy Party! This party will be filled with door-prizes and fun activities for your academy. For more information please contact Cynthia Hinson via email or in room 517. See the collection ad on page 13 to see items we need.
- ◆ **CATA Performing Arts Hosts a Tech Theater Master Class:** This class will cover the basics of how to operate the lighting console, lighting controls and dimmers, lighting fixtures and lighting systems. The date is Friday, March 19 from 1-3. Please see the flyer on page 3 and see Mr. Weis for details. [Click here](#) to register on a first come first served basis. You must [click on this link](#) to complete a reading assignment prior to the class.
- ◆ **Rising 11th and 12th graders: Summer registration for SPCC courses** opened on 3/1 and **Fall registration** will open on 4/19. Sign up to speak with CATA's SPCC Career Coach, Ms. Watkins as soon as possible if you are interested. You can sign up to speak with her by clicking [here](#). If you have further questions, please see Ms. Bartell in guidance. There is more information on page 4.
- ◆ **Major Clarity:** There is a Career Management Tool Overview for Parents on Tuesday, March 16 at 6:00 PM. Please [click here](#) to register. Please contact CATA's CDC Ms. Bartell for more information.
- ◆ **Manufacturing Pre Apprenticeship:** Get paid to go to college while in high school! Get college and high school credit at the same time. There will be a virtual meeting on Monday, March 22 at 6:30 PM. Please [click here](#) to register. Please contact CATA's CDC Ms. Bartell for more information.
- ◆ **Free Medical Engineering Summer Opportunity for Students:** The Biogen Community Lab and Lemelson-MIT Group invited you to participate in the Biotech in Action: Virtual Summer Lab. This is a two week long program providing students the opportunity to expand their knowledge in STEM, while getting an inside view of what it is like to work for a biotech company. This is free and open to students of all grades. Please see the flyer on page 5 for more information or [click here](#) to register.
- ◆ **College Summer Programs:** If you are interested in a summer program check out the opportunities by clicking [here](#).
- ◆ The **PreACT** will be given to ALL Sophomores March 25 to 31. The PreACT is a practice ACT test to project how well you will do on the ACT when you are a junior. Ms. Lawson, testing coordinator, will be sending out emails to 10th graders with their assigned day to test. Please make sure to check your email regularly.
- ◆ **Jostens Class Rings for sophomores, juniors, and seniors** is continuing to offer DOLLARS off on most ring products. For the month of March Jostens is offering \$ 60.00 off on some products. The flyer on page 12 describes the program. By using the promo code of MARCH60 in the promo location the rings will be discounted \$ 60.00 from the sale prices. There are some rings that are not included in this offer. This offer runs from March 1st thru March 31st.
- ◆ **Athletics:** See our athletics pages in this edition for information on our weekly schedule. Please check out page 7 on how to **live stream CATA football, men's soccer, and wrestling. Subscribe today! CATA Cougar Spirit Wear: [click here](#)** to purchase.

Please take time to read over this newsletter. The Cougar Chronicle, in addition to our website, will be the main form of communication from school to home.

Go Cougars! Ms. Merritt



The Counseling Department

Class Information from the Guidance Counselors

[Counseling Twitter @CATA_Counseling](#)
[Counseling Instagram @CATA.counseling](#)

[Click here to sign up for CATA College Visits](#)

[Scholarship Spotlight- Click HERE SCHOLARSHIP PAGE](#)

[Please click here for all information from our Counseling Department](#)

[CATA Counseling Canvas Page- Click HERE](#)

CATA Tutoring Times - Spring 2020 (This may be updated in the coming weeks)

CATA will be offering tutoring times each day of the week based on subject. Approved CATA students will be providing the tutoring. If tutoring is needed, then please click the Teams link to join during the assigned times. Tutoring.

[Click HERE FOR THE TUTORING LINKS.](#) Scroll down once on the page and you will see the links for each subject.

- Monday - 3:45 to 4:45 for Social Studies, Math 1 & 2, Math 3, Pre-Calculus, & Math 4
- Tuesday - 3:45 to 4:45 for Science
- Wednesday - 3:45 to 4:45 Math 1 & 2, Math 3, Pre-Calculus, & Math 4
- Thursday - 3:45 to 4:45 English
- Friday - All 5 subjects will be offered from 1:30 - 3:30 in 2 shifts (1:30 to 2:30, 2:30 to 3:30)

CollegeBoard

BigFuture Days

SIGN UP FOR COLLEGE BOARD'S FIRST-EVER VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS

Whether you've already started your college search or have no idea where to begin, we want to connect you with colleges that might be a good fit for you. BigFuture™ Days gives you a chance to get information about multiple colleges from college admissions officers and current college students.

Here are five reasons to attend BigFuture Days:

- 1 Explore colleges in a way that's informative but not overwhelming.
- 2 Connect directly with colleges to get answers to your questions and show your interest in attending.
- 3 Hear from current college students who know what it's like on campus.
- 4 Take key college planning steps like searching for colleges and exploring scholarships.
- 5 Join these free events from a computer or mobile device.

Sophomores and Juniors: Save These Dates

Explore your college options in each region—attend any or all of these events.

- BigFuture Day West + Southwest, Saturday, February 6
- BigFuture Day Southeast, Tuesday, February 23
- BigFuture Day Northeast, Sunday, March 7
- BigFuture Day Midwest, Thursday, March 11

Go to cb.org/bigfuturedays to register and learn more!

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Click on this flyer to Register!

CATA Guidance Department

A high school guidance department can help your student with a LOT during high school—counseling during a problem/or stress, college planning, career/college questions, interview skills, problem solving with classes/teachers, friendship/social issues. Counselors also help with scheduling and what courses to take. Counselors are available to answer parent questions as well.

Please see the list of counselors by academy:

[Ashley Lawson](#): Medical Science, Transportation & Guidance Department Chairperson

[Ashley Cole](#) : Pre-Engineering and Performing Arts (theatre & dance)

[Sarah Goodwin](#): Information Systems (Cybersecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Re-cording Arts



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[Counseling Instagram @CATA.counseling](#)



Parents can now access Scoir!

What can you do with a Scoir account?

1. See which colleges your child is following.
2. Suggest colleges for your child to follow.
3. Complete a personalized financial aid calculator to receive a custom price estimate.

How do you get a Scoir account?

Your child must invite you!

Students should:

- Log in
 - Visit "My Profile"
 - Click on "Invite a parent"
- Students will need their parent's email address.*

Parents
+ Invite a Parent

For more info, visit <https://bit.ly/onlinecollegetools>.

@UCPSCollegePrep



Click on the Ad to register

2020-2021 UCPS Parent College Readiness Webinars

For more info and to register visit <https://bit.ly/collegereadywebinars>

- Paying for College.....September 21, 2020
- Getting Ready for College..... October 19, 2020
- College Entrance Exams 101..... November 16, 2020
- College Recruiting for Athletes..... December 8, 2020
- Scoir for Underclassmen Parents..... January 11, 2021
- Paying for College.....February 8, 2021
- College Entrance Exams 101..... March 8, 2021
- College Recruiting for Athletes..... April 19, 2021

*All webinars will be held at 6:00 pm.
Dates are subject to change.*

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CATA Lighting 101 Class

Friday March 19, 2021

1:00 to 3:00

CATA Theatre

-Light board operation -light fixtures types -consumables -lighting systems

Pre-Registration is required. See a Performing Arts faculty member for the registration link.

The reading assignment must be completed prior to the class:

<https://www.stagelightingstore.com/2754407-educational-resources>



The Career Development Corner

Career Development Corner

“Are you already taking courses at SPCC and want to take more this summer or fall 2021?”

Rising 11th and 12th graders: Summer registration for SPCC courses will opened on 3/1 and **Fall registration** will open on 4/19. Sign up to speak with CATA's SPCC Career Coach, Ms. Watkins as soon as possible if you are interested. You can sign up to speak with her by **clicking [here](#)**. If you have further questions, please see Ms. Bartell in guidance.

Current 11th graders: Are you interested in an **Internship** for next year? See **[Ms. Bartell](#)** in guidance or email or call for more information.

Are you interested in getting started at SPCC taking free college courses?

There are virtual CCP Information Sessions begin held the second Monday of every month during the spring semester. Please view the attached flyer for more information!

If you can't make the live session but would like to know general information about Career and College Promise you can watch the recorded CCP Information Session video here: **[CLICK HERE](#)**

Click on the SPCC Ad for more information and for a link to join the Information Sessions

MajorClarity Career Management Tool Overview for Parents

TUESDAY, MARCH 16th
6:00pm

REGISTER TODAY at <https://bit.ly/MajorClarityParentNight>

Learn about the tool your student will be using to help plan their future.

UCPS (University of the Carolinas System) Career & College Readiness

CTE (Career & Technical Education)

MANUFACTURING PRE-APPRENTICESHIP

GET PAID TO GO TO COLLEGE WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL!
GET COLLEGE & HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT AT THE SAME TIME!

APPRENTICESHIP

VIRTUAL MEETING DETAILS
March 22, 2021
6:30pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED THROUGH EVENTBRITE
<https://bit.ly/Pre-ApprenticeInfo>

YOU CAN ALSO SEE YOUR CAREER DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR FOR MORE INFORMATION

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CTE (Career & Technical Education)

UCPS (University of the Carolinas System) Career Readiness

SPCC Career and College Promise Information Session

Join us for an information session about the Career and College Promise (CCP) program at South Piedmont Community College

When and Where?	How?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The second Monday of every month during our Spring semester Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2/8 • 3/8 • 4/12 • 5/10 Time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00pm 	Simply click the link below to join: Join Microsoft Teams Meeting
For any questions please contact High School Programs at: highschoolprograms@spcc.edu 704.290.5090 spcc.edu/areas-of-study/high-schools/	Topics covered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathways • Eligibility • Steps to Enrollment • Career Coach vs. High School Counselor • SPCC Technology • Course Load • Course Instructional Formats • Accommodations • Benefits of CCP • More!



The Career Development Corner



FREE VIRTUAL SUMMER LAB SESSIONS 2021

The Biogen Community Lab and Lemelson-MIT Group invite you to participate in:

Biogen-MIT Biotech in Action: Virtual Summer Lab

This two-week long virtual program will provide students with the opportunity to expand their knowledge and skills in STEM, while getting a real inside view of what it is like to work for a biotech company. Students will use virtual labs, online learning and conferencing software, and real-time conversations with employees of both Biogen and MIT to learn all about biotechnology and invention with a focus on Alzheimer's disease.

Open to all high school students currently in 9th - 12th grade. Priority will be given to students from low-income households and groups historically under-represented in science.

VIRTUAL SESSIONS:

Session 1: June 21st – July 2nd

Session 2: July 12th – July 23rd

Session 3: July 26th – August 6th

Session 4: August 9th – August 20th

Each session meets daily from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. EST

COST IS FREE!

Materials will be provided by Biogen and Lemelson-MIT.

Questions: Contact us at rtpcommunitylab@biogen.com

Application opens February 23rd, 2021 and closes March 11th, 2021.

Find more information and the application here:

https://www.biogen.com/en_us/virtual-community-lab/biogen-mit.html



COUGAR ATHLETICS

If you have questions about athletics or want to volunteer to help with athletics, please send an email to Athletic Director, [Coach Jay Niessner](#). Make sure to follow all of CATA's athletic teams on Twitter: [@CATA_Athletics](#)
[Click here](#) for NCHSAA 2020-21 Sports Seasons

Last Week's Results:

Men's Soccer: Win vs. Mount Pleasant, Win vs. West Stanly

Upcoming Events:

Friday, March 5th: AWAY – Football at Concord – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 9th: AWAY – JV Soccer – Weddington – 4:30 pm; AWAY – Varsity Soccer – Forest Hills – 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 10th: HOME – Women's Soccer Scrimmage vs. Monroe – 4:30 – 6:30 pm – No Fans Allowed – Walter Bickett Stadium; HOME – Softball Scrimmage vs. Monroe – 4:30 – 6:30 pm – No Fans Allowed – On CATA Campus

Thursday, March 11th: AWAY – Varsity Soccer – Montgomery Central – 5:30 pm

Friday, March 12th: AWAY – Football – Mount Pleasant – 6:30 pm

News & Information:

Spring Sports Part 2 start on **Monday, April 12th:** Women's Tennis, Wrestling, Baseball, Track & Field
 Please contact your coach for more information:

Women's Tennis – Terry Lewis – soldbyterrylewis@gmail.com

Wrestling – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Baseball – Aaron Hammers – aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us

Track & Field – Kimberly Inuwa – Kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us

Parent Check List for Athletics: The following need to complete prior to starting a sport at CATA:

- FamilyID – Completed & Approved: [Link Click Here](#)
- CATA Virtual Athlete/Parent Preseason Meeting Sign Off – Completed [Link Click Here](#)
- **Contact** your student's coach. We need to know how many kids are trying out for sports (especially indoor sports) due to limitations on our numbers. Coaches Contact information can be found below

Virtual Athlete/Parent Preseason Meeting: Due to limitations on gatherings, we will not be holding any in person preseason meetings. All students interested in participating should follow the link below to our virtual meeting and complete the sign off. This must be done before starting a sport. This only needs to be completed ONE time for the 2020-2021 school year. Teams will hold virtual parent nights after teams are selected.

Link: [Click HERE](#)

CATA Cougar Spirit Wear: [click here](#) to purchase.

Athletics Coaches Contacts and Important Dates are on the next page.



COUGAR ATHLETICS

Athletic Department Contact Information:

- Athletic Director** - Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us
Administrator over Athletics – Dr. Josh Wall – josh.wall@ucps.k12.nc.us
Baseball – Aaron Hammers – aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us
Cheerleading - Ashley Lawson – Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us
Cross Country - Kim Inuwa – kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us
Football – Shane Griffin – Edward.griffin@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Basketball – Sam Smithson – Samuel.smithson@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Golf – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Soccer - Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Tennis – Terry Lewis – soldbyterrylewis@gmail.com
Soffball – Aaron Hammers – aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us
Swimming – Sally Goodwin – sarah.goodwin@ucps.k12.nc.us
Track & Field – Kim Inuwa – kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us
Volleyball - Stephanie Peacock – Stephanie.peacock@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Basketball – Kevin Allran – kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Golf - Nelson Rowell – nelson.rowell@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Soccer – Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Tennis - Terry Lewis – soldbyterrylewis@gmail.com
Wrestling – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Adjusted Sports Season's 2020-2021:

- Men's Soccer:** January 11th – March 12th
Football: February 8th – April 9th
Football Cheer: February – April
Men's & Women's Golf: March 1st – April 30th
Men's Tennis: March 1st – April 30th
Soffball: March 1st – April 30th
Women's Soccer: March 1st – April 30th
Baseball: April 12th – June 11th
Women's Tennis: April 12th – June 11th
Track & Field: April 12th – June 11th
Wrestling: April 12th – June 11th



COUGARS Live Streaming

Central Academy High School is happy to announce the return of our live streaming initiative for the 2020-2021 school year! Our school's automated live streaming cameras will allow student-athletes, parents, and fans to watch hundreds of athletic events throughout the year LIVE and ON-DEMAND from any device.

FOOTBALL – BASKETBALL – SOCCER
VOLLEYBALL – WRESTLING

A Subscription With Central Academy Athletics Includes:

- Access to the entire NFHS Network
- JV and Varsity Games
- Watch Live and On-Demand



Annual Pass - \$5.83/mo.
Billed at \$69.99
30% Goes Back to Central Academy

Monthly Pass - \$10.99/mo.
Billed Monthly. Cancel Anytime
10% Goes Back to Central Academy

Please visit ucpsathletics.com/livestreaming to subscribe today and start streaming LIVE.





Den Digest (Media Center) & Yearbook Information

Yearbooks are on sale for \$85.00. Reserve your copy today! Order online at <https://yearbookforever.com/>. **Search for CATA.**

yearbook

Order your CATA Yearbook today!

Books are \$85.00 and can be purchased online using the link below.

friends

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Take your own yearbook picture: [Click here](#) and use password cougars20 to upload your photos. You can also download the **Yearbook Snap** app from the App Store or on Google Play.

IT'S YOUR LIFE. SHARE YOUR PHOTOS OF IT!

YEARBOOK SNAP

SNAP IT — SHARE IT — SEE IT!

Walsworth yearbooks

The Den Digest

[CATA 2020 Secondary Databases and Extended Learning Resources For Students](#) -click here

- The CATA Media Center website has been transformed into a Virtual Learning Commons. Check out the website and see what is offered. Find links to databases, research help, reading lists, how to evaluate news sources and more.
<https://sites.google.com/a/ucps.k12.nc.us/cata-media-center/>
- **Want to check out a book?** Login to Destiny and put one on hold. We will deliver it to you!
- Need a calculator for second semester? Fill out this form and have your parent/guardian sign. We will give the calculator to your math or science teacher. You can still get a calculator if you are in the virtual academy. <https://forms.gle/UopHczyHpjzf6QBb8>
- We have a new ebook service through Junior Library Guild: <https://jlg.ipublishcentral.com/>. Login directions can be found here:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1d1Pw3Ys6VJcFJ87_0TaoAlxibynWt2RIHbT6JKDvzIA/edit?usp=sharing
- Remember that you can still access e-books and other resources through our online catalog <https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/105625>



PTSO- The Cougar Council

Website- [CATA PTSO– The Cougar Council](http://www.cataptso.org)

Website- [CATA Performing Arts Parent Committee](mailto:catacougarcouncil@gmail.com)

[Click here for the Cougar Council December Newsletter](#)

HELLO CATA FAMILIES!! Please visit our CATA PTSO website www.cataptso.org for information including Invest in Excellence, PTSO Membership and more. Feel free to reach to us at catacougarcouncil@gmail.com with any questions, ideas or suggestions. We know this year will look very different for us all which is even more reason to get involved and stay informed.

NEW - MORE FREE MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL:

Publix Partners has contributed \$37.7 million to more than 4,600 schools across the Southeast and YOU can help CATA receive some of those funds. Participating is easy, simply create or sign into your **Publix account** (www.publix.com/myaccount/register), click My Publix Partners at the top, and Central Academy of Technology & Arts as your school. That's IT! Then enter your phone number or use pay with the Publix app every time you check out. They'll give back to CATA just for shopping at Publix (it does not cost you any more to support CATA). **This is NEW so if you shop at Publix, please take a few minutes to sign up - thank you so much!**

PTSO: Attention all parents! CATA PTSO is looking for volunteers to be part of our nominating committee. All meetings are virtual. In addition, we are looking for volunteers who are interested in getting more involved for the 2021-2022 school year. Several committee and board positions will be open and we would love to have YOU join our team. If you are interested or know someone who would enjoy being a part of the board, then please email CATA PTSO catacougarcouncil@gmail.com for more information.

AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping app
You can now support your favorite charity on iPhone & Android phones



How to turn on AmazonSmile in the mobile app

- 1 **Join AmazonSmile**
If you are not already an AmazonSmile member, [sign up](#) in your web browser, simply select your favorite charity to start generating donations, at no cost to you.
- 2 **Get the app**
Download or update to the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app on your phone. You can find it in the [App Store](#) for iOS or [Google Play](#) for Android.
- 3 **Turn on AmazonSmile**
Open the app and find "Settings" in the main menu (3 lines). Tap on "AmazonSmile" and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

Please consider supporting CATA by linking to these companies when you are shopping next time!

Harris Teeter Together in Education (link to CATA using code 3612)

Amazon Smile

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-1542614>



School Safety, Attendance and Notes, Parking Passes, Bus Information, Daily Schedule

School Protocols Safety– [Click Here](#)

Click [here](#) for state Guidelines

Second Semester Expectations for ALL Students Plan B and D and the Early Detection Program: [CLICK HERE](#)

Drivers' Education– If you have questions about Driver's Education then please click on this link: [CA-TA Driver's Ed.](#)

Attendance will be taken for student participation on their assigned day at school and virtually each day in Power School. School is in session and students are expected to be in class or logged into a class session at the appropriate time each day unless otherwise stated. Students on Plan B will be counted absent if they are not in attendance on their assigned day.

Attendance and Absence Notes: Absence notes must be **emailed** and/or scanned to [Mr. William Smith](#) our data manager upon the student's return to school in order for the absence to be considered excused. Absences will be coded unexcused in PowerSchool until an email excuse is received. Please allow 24 hours for excusal notes to be coded in PowerSchool. Students may fail if they have 8 or more unexcused absences per class. Attendance is taken each class period. Students will have a chance to recover some unexcused absences.

Bus Info: Parents should email [Ms. Tweed](#) if they need bus transportation. Bus riders and parents should sign up for the **Here Comes the Bus App**. This app allows you to view the real-time location of your child's school bus on your smartphone, tablet or computer. Be sure that your child is at their bus stop at least **20 minutes** before the scheduled arrival time. [Bus App Letter English](#) [Bus App Letter Spanish](#)

Parking Passes One cannot drive and park at the school if they have not purchased a parking pass. Parking in any lot other than the student parking lot is not permitted. The process for purchasing parking pass is on FamilyID this year, an account will need to be created if you do not already have one. [Click here for FamilyID](#). Parking passes MAY NOT be purchased by any student who has outstanding fees. After completion of the application, CATA will review your submission. The student will then receive a link to pay for the pass once the application has been approved via student UCPS email. Parking passes are \$25 starting 2/25/21 for the rest of the school year. If you have any questions, please email Ms. [Robin Viar](#).

Daily Schedule

First Period:	9:05 to 10:35
Second Period:	10:40 to 12:10
Third Period:	12:15 to 2:10
Lunch A:	12:10 to 12:35
Lunch B:	12:42 to 1:07
Lunch C:	1:14 to 1:39
Lunch D:	1:46 to 2:10
Fourth Period:	2:15 to 3:45

Friday Schedule: Each student must check in with their teachers on Friday. Each teacher has been asked to communicate with students the expectations for each Friday. Attendance is taken on Friday, so students must complete assigned tasks for each teacher to be counted present. This information should be posted on each teacher Canvas page.

Monday and Tuesday– Last name A-K

Wednesday and Thursday– Last name L-Z

Technology Help Desk– Mr. Eddins

[Click Here for Assistance Form](#)

Email James.eddins@ucps.k12.nc.us

Links

[UCPS Technology Help Desk](#)

[UCPS Technology](#)

[Chromebook Start Up Link](#)

[Canvas Help](#)



Help Desk for Students:

Monday 8:30AM – 10:AM

Tuesday 12PM – 1:30PM

Wednesday 8:30AM – 10AM

Thursday 12PM – 1:30PM



Fall Senior Letter

Dear Class of 2021,

Congratulations on making it to this point in your academic career. We are proud of you and encourage you to finish your journey strong. We would like to provide you some preliminary information this fall for your senior year. Please keep in mind that we are having to make changes to traditional plans and will have more information as the year progresses. We are making plans and will communicate as soon as those plans are solidified.

Graduation: Our graduation date is on Friday, June 4, at 8 AM, at Walter Bickett Stadium.

Caps and Gowns: Students will pick up their caps, gowns, announcements, and yearbooks at CATA in May. We will send specific information about this event to your school email and through the school ConnectEd System. Remember that you must have a cap and gown if you intend to walk at graduation in 2021. **If you still need to order it's easy! [Click the link here](#) OR CALL Josten's at 910-895-8471.**

Graduation Practice: We will send more specific information about graduation practice in the Spring Senior Class of 2021 Letter. Last year we did not have a practice and we may not have one this year. Please stay tuned for details. We will communicate specific information about procedures if we do not have practice.

Attire: We will send more specific information about graduation day in the Spring Senior Class of 2021 Letter.

Senior Cap and Gown Picture: We will send more specific information about the picture in the Spring Senior Class of 2021 Letter.

Senior Week: We will send more specific information about Senior Week in the Spring Senior Class of 2021 Letter. This will be in May.

Senior Academic Signings: We will send more specific information about academic signings in the Spring Senior Class of 2021 Letter.

Graduation Speeches: Each academy has one senior give a speech at graduation. A committee of the faculty and staff of Central Academy chooses the individuals for graduation speeches. Students may audition for consideration in May. Please pay attention for the audition date and procedures in the Spring Senior Letter.

Past due fees: Past due fees must be paid before students may participate in Graduation. Please make online past year technology payments through the Central Academy Website, and make all other payments at the school with the bookkeeper. Dr. Wall and other staff will be calling about past due fees in an attempt to settle all fees by the end of February.

Items that need to be returned to CATA: This includes, but is not limited to Chromebooks and chargers, calculators, textbooks, athletic uniforms, library materials, and other school owned items. We will communicate a date for seniors to return these items to our school in the Spring Senior Letter.

Tickets and Parking Passes: We will send more specific information about Tickets and Parking Passes in the Spring Senior Class of 2021 Letter.

Graduating from high school is dependent upon earning the number and type of credits needed to earn a diploma. Participating in the graduation ceremony is a privilege, one that your family will truly value as they have spent a lot of time supporting you in your academic studies. Please take time to ensure that you are eligible to graduate by earning the credits needed. Please take time to ensure that you are able to participate in the graduation ceremony by making good choices for the remainder of your senior year and by making sure that you have taken care of all financial responsibilities.



Jostens Class Rings Update Order and www.jostens.com



JOSTENS SPRING & MARCH SALE! Offer Good March 1ST thru March 31ST School Rings & School Jewelry

Follow the instructions below to take advantage of the Spring and March Sale! Order your ring ONLINE and take advantage of these price reductions on your NEW SCHOOL JEWELRY ORDER!



ORDER AT
WWW.JOSTENS.COM

\$ 60.00 OFF ON YOUR CLASS JEWELRY

Offer Code
MARCH60



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THE CLASS BAND



Bright Blessings Drive List of Items to Give



COLLECTION DRIVE

GIFT OF LITERACY | Books do more than tell a story. For disadvantaged children, the path to academic success is often hindered by poverty circumstances. With little or no resources for books and learning tools, many of these otherwise capable students lag behind their peers in reading and academics. Our Gift of Literacy program helps fill the gaps where poverty undermines promise. Every year we provide thousands of children with new books and educational learning resources. Please join our efforts and help ensure that these deserving children have the tools they need to rise to their potential!

PROJECT INSTRUCTIONS:

CONSIDER HOSTING A COLLECTION DRIVE FOR THESE ITEMS:

All items must be NEW and in unopened packages.

- New Books (Pre-K – High School)
- Flash Drives (2GB)
- Ear Buds
- Preschool Puzzles
- Preschool Activity Books
- Preschool Flash Cards
- Coloring Books
- Crayons
- Small Cinch Sacks (13.5"x15.5")
- Small Stuffed Animals (6"-8")

DID YOU KNOW?

North Carolina ranks 3rd among states with the highest percentage increase in number of homeless students.

