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Dear CATA Family,

-Report Cards will go out on Tuesday, January 25

-Second Semester Schedule Changes: The Schedule Change Google Form is now open through Tuesday, January 25. Please do not email your counselors with schedule corrections requests. **Click [here](#) for the form.** OR **[here](#).**

-Shakespeare's Twelfth Night: This is a play presented by our CATA Performing Arts Theatre Department and the Sophomore theatre class on Friday, January 28 at 7 PM in the Theatre. Tickets are on sale at cata.seatyourself.biz for \$5.

-Class of 2022 Bowling Party: Fox's Alley, Wednesday, February 9 from 1-4 PM. All Seniors are welcome. The entire bowling alley will be reserved for the CATA Senior Class. Seniors can bowl, play corn hole, or just hang out. Senior pass holders will receive free bowling and food. Come have fun and make great senior memories with you friends.

-Spring Sports: Official tryouts for Spring Sports begin on February 14. Please make sure to have registered in Family ID & make sure you have an up to date physical on file. Spring Sports include: baseball, softball, women's soccer, track & field, men's golf, & men's tennis. Please check out our Athletics page in this edition for more information: **Page 5.**

-Class Rings (Sophomores): The class ring order date is on Thursday, February 17 during all lunches for students and from 3 -6 PM in front of the main office for parents.

-Athletics: Check out the CATA Sports page in this edition on **Page 5** or go to our athletics website by [clicking here](#). Please check out the links to the **winter sports fundraiser websites** on **Page 5.**

-Tickets for all CATA Home Athletics can be purchased [HERE](#). **-Spirit Wear:** [Click here](#) to purchase.

-Student Life announcements on **page 2.**

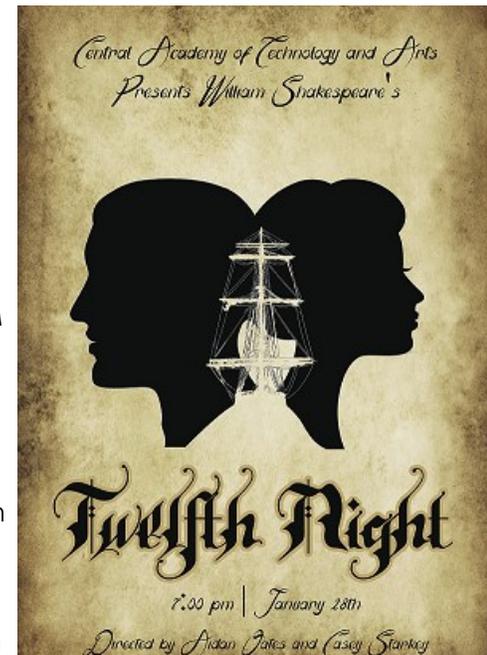
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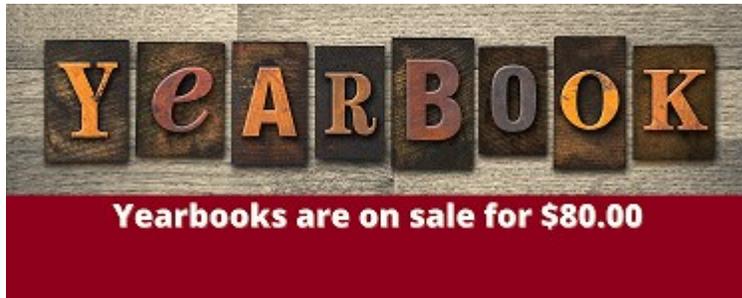
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Please take time to read over this newsletter. The Cougar Chronicle, in addition to our website, will be the main form of communication from school to home. Go Cougars! Ms. Merritt



Student Life Information



Student Life Meetings and Activities This Week

Minority Student Union Meeting: Friday, January 21, 4:00 PM, Media Center

Knitting for Good: Monday, January 24, 3:45 PM, Rm. 601

Fashion Club: Monday, January 24, 4:00 PM, Rm. 616

Yearbook Club: Tuesday, January 25, 4 PM, Rm. 102

Rho Kappa General Meeting: Wednesday, January 26, 8:30 AM in room 604

Speech and Debate Meeting: Thursday, January 27, 3:45 PM in room 601

NHS Officer's Meeting: Friday, January 28, 8:30 AM in room 604



CENTRAL ACADEMY
OF TECHNOLOGY & ARTS



Senior Class of 2022 Information

[Click here](#) for the Fall Senior Letter.

Class of 2022 Graduation Date: Tuesday, June 7 at 8:00 AM at Walter Bickett Stadium. [Click here](#) for the Fall Senior Letter.

Senior Cap and Gown Orders: Each senior was emailed a link to order through their UCPS Account as well along with an informational form. Please [click here](#) to order if you did not purchase items at school. Caps and gowns are required for the graduation ceremony.

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College and Career Corner

Information from the Counseling Department

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



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

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

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

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

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Now hiring inspiring
 Student Hiring Event on
 Saturday, January 29th, 10:00am - 12:00pm
 The Grove Restaurant @ 2030 Windsor Run Lane, Matthews NC, 28105
 Great Pay! Flexible Hours (3.5k/hr per Week!) Fun Work Environment!
 RSVP: 704.453.6232 | Wendy.Williams@erickson.com
 Pre-register here 
Windsor Run
 BY ERICKSON SENIOR LIVING

SPCC CAREER AND COLLEGE PROMISE INFORMATION SESSION

Join us for an information session that will cover everything you need to know about the Career and College Promise (CCP) program at SPCC.

Topics covered:

- Pathways
- Eligibility
- Steps to Enrollment
- Career Coach vs. High School Counselor
- SPCC Technology
- Course Load
- Course Instructional Formats
- Accommodations
- Benefits of CCP
- More!

DATES & TIMES

January 18th @ 6pm
 February 8th @ 6pm
 March 8th @ 6pm
 (Virtual Microsoft Teams Session)

HOW TO ATTEND?

Simply click the link below to join:
Microsoft Teams meeting
 Join on your computer or mobile app
[Click here to join the meeting](#)

CONTACT INFO

For any questions, please contact Secondary Education Partnerships at:
sep@spcc.edu
 704.290.5090



CATA Counseling 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 Cole](#) : Pre-Engineering and Performing Arts (theatre & dance) & Guidance Department Chairperson

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

[Stephanie Graham](#): Medical Science, Transportation (Auto Technology & Collision Repair)



COUGAR ATHLETICS

Athletics website: <https://www.ucpsathletics.com/centralacademy>

If you have questions about athletics or want to volunteer to help with athletics, please send an email to Athletic Director, Coach [Rachael Petre](#). Make sure to follow all of CATA's athletic teams on Twitter: [@CATA_Athletics](#)

Last Week's Results

Thursday, Jan 13: CATA wrestling loses dual meet to Parkwood

Friday, Jan 14: WBB 28 - Anson 30; MBB 58 - Anson 59

Saturday, Jan 15: Wrestling @ Rocky River HS Tournament - 5 Individual Tournament 1st place finishes: 132 Kyle Montaperto; 145 Logan Fite; 152 Collin Lutz; 160 Aiden Curry; 182 Brady Ross

Wednesday, Jan 19: Wrestling 57 - Forest Hills 18; WBB 12 - Forest Hills 60; MBB 56 - Forest Hills 64

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, Jan 20: (A) BB @ Parkwood 5:00/6:00/7:30 PM; (A) RRC Wrestling Conference Tournament @ Parkwood 4:00 PM

Tuesday, Jan 25 (A) Swim @ Pfeiffer RRC Tournament 5:00 PM; (H) BB vs. West Stanly 5/6/7:30 * Senior Night*

Wednesday, Jan 26: (A) Wrestling @ Rock Hill TBA

Thursday, Jan 27: (A) Indoor Track @ JDL RRC Meet 5:00 PM

Friday, Jan 28: (A) BB @ Monroe 5/6/7:30 PM

News & Information

Spring Sports: Official tryouts for Spring Sports begin on February 14. Please make sure to have registered in Family ID & make sure you have an up to date physical on file. Spring Sports include: baseball, softball, women's soccer, track & field, men's golf, & men's tennis.

Coaches Needed: CATA is looking for an assistant softball coach & a baseball assistant coach. Please email our Athletic Director if you know anyone who is interested.

Physicals: The newest NCHSAA [physical form](#) for the 2021-2022 school year is on our athletics website under forms.

Winter Sports Parent Meeting: Thank you to all that attended. Here is the [LINK](#) to the Parent Contact Info Google Form. Here is the [LINK](#) to the required NCHSAA videos.

FAMILY ID: If you plan to participate in Athletics during the 2021-2022 school year, then you need to register with Family ID. You only have to register once and you are good for the entire school year. Same email & password as last year, if you are new to CATA you will need to create a new account. The link to the CATA Family ID page can be found under FORMS on the CATA Athletics Website [HERE](#).

Tickets: Tickets for all CATA Home Athletics can be purchased [HERE](#). We will not be taking any cash at the gate..

Season Sports Passes - Go to [CATA Athletics Website](#) for Season Pass Information.

Student All Sports Pass - \$40; Parent Spring Season Pass - \$50

Winter Contact Information:

Cheerleading – Coach Johnson
arionna.johnson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Indoor Track & Field – Kim Inuwa –
kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Basketball – – Dwight Miller –
dwrightmlr57@gmail.com

Men's Basketball – – Marcus Winnegan –
mwinnegan86@gmail.com

Swimming – Sally Goodwin –
sarah.goodwin@ucps.k12.nc.us

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

Spring Contact Information:

Baseball – Hired Coming Soon

Men's Golf – Mike Jacobus –
mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

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

Softball – Hired Coming Soon

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

Women's Soccer – Jay Niessner –
jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us



Den Digest

CATA PTSO Website: www.cataptso.org **Facebook:** @catacougarcouncil **Twitter:** @CATA_ptso
Email: catacougarcouncil@gmail.com

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The Den Digest

- Check out the [Virtual Learning Commons](#) and see what is offered. Find links to databases, research help, reading lists, how to evaluate news sources and more.
- Want to check out a book? Login to Destiny and put one on hold or stop into the media center and check one out.
- Need a calculator? [Click HERE](#) and have your parent/guardian sign. We will give the calculator to your math or science teacher.
- Remember that you can access e-books and other resources through our online catalog by [Clicking HERE](#)
- Interested in joining a Battle of the Books team? Fill out the interest form at <https://bit.ly/HBOB2122>. Learn more by clicking here: <https://bit.ly/CATAHBOB>.

Items to Remember

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 up to three unexcused absences per class. Parents will receive notification upon the 3rd, 6th, and 8th unexcused absence.



Parking Passes— are now being sold on a first come first served basis. After we run out of spots, then students will be put on a waiting list. The process for purchasing parking passes will be on the online platform “**FamilyID**” An account has to be created if you do not already have one. Parking passes MAY NOT be purchased by any student who owes outstanding fees. After completion of the application, CATA will review your submission. The student will then receive a spot number and a link to pay for the pass once the application has been approved via the email provided in the registration form. Passes are \$45. Link for the application: <https://bit.ly/3s9faWh>



CATA Student Handbook Link: Information about attendance, tardy policy, leaving school early, the dress code, and more. [Click here](#)

-CATA Honor Code: Created by Faculty and now in use and on display in each class. [Click here to view.](#)

-CATA Dress Code and Tardy Policy: Parents and Students please review: [Click here](#) and go to pages 21-23.

Technology Help Desk

Justin.Penegar@ucps.k12.nc.us

Help Desk Hours for Students: Room 519

Monday 9AM – 10:30AM
 Tuesday 12:30PM – 2PM
 Wednesday 9AM – 10:30AM
 Thursday 12:30PM – 2PM
 Friday 9AM – 10:30AM



Bus Transportation: 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](#)



Early Dismissal: If a student driver needs to be dismissed early from school, a parent note must be emailed to [Mr. William Smith](#), our data manager prior to the start of the school day in order for the student to receive an early dismissal pass. The emailed parent note must contain the date, student's full name, the time that the student needs to be dismissed from school and the parent's phone number. Any student being picked up early from school by someone other than a parent, must follow the same protocol stated above while giving permission for someone else to pick up the student. Email the Mr. William Smith. In the event that a parent does not email a note, the parent must call the school to speak to someone in the front office.



Breakfast and Lunch: All breakfast and lunch meals are free to students this year! Students can purchase ala carte items if they would like. This includes premium chicken items, cookies, chips, sodas and water. To add money to their student's account they can visit k12paymentcenter.com