

# Central High School Warriors



Dear Warrior Families, Students, Friends, and Fans,

This message is far too long in coming, but I want to share with you the plans and structures in place for returning to school. Balancing the safety of our students, staff, and community with the need to provide the best education possible has been at the heart of the work we have been doing. I am giving this information out knowing that this is a draft and changes to restrictions, requirements, and staffing may cause changes at any time. As a parent myself, I very much understand the need to have as much information as possible when making a crucial decision. We have created three plans that include full in-person learning, a hybrid model (combination of in-person and remote), and remote learning. These decisions are not made in isolation and involve immense collaboration between the school district, Mesa County Health, and the State of Colorado.

The following document focuses on our in-person model as that is the current goal for all schools. We truly appreciate our community and are excited and anxious to welcome students back to Central High School.

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**Schedule:** Central is transitioning to a four by four (4x4) block schedule. Students will be responsible for completing four classes each quarter. Students will be enrolled in periods 1, 3, 5, and 7 first quarter and 2, 4, 6, 8 second quarter. If restrictions and concerns are still high in December, we will continue to follow this schedule but if restrictions have decreased we will go back to our alternating block schedule.

#### Rationale:

- A 4x4 block schedule decreases the overall contact on any given day. Students will only transition 5 times a day (4 classes and advisory) as compared to 9 classes normally.
- If health issues force us to move to a remote learning scenario at any time, our students will only be responsible for four classes instead of trying to balance eight.
- Splitting lunch: Splitting lunch will decrease the number of students in the halls and cafeteria at any one time. Decreasing the total number of students on lunch at any one-time helps us to better supervise.
- Students in grades 10-12 will be allowed to leave campus during their lunch. We highly recommend students adhering to Colorado law limiting the number of individuals in a car. 9th grade students will be required to stay on campus during lunch.

| Central High School Bell Schedule   |                                      |                                       |                                      |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday                              |                                      | Tuesday-Friday                        |                                      |
| Period                              | Time                                 | Period                                | Time                                 |
| 1/2                                 | 8:00-9:18                            | 1/2                                   | 8:00-9:22                            |
| 3/4                                 | 9:26-10:44                           | 3/4                                   | 9:30-10:52                           |
| Advisory 9th & 12th:<br>10:49-11:15 | Lunch 10th & 11th:<br>10:44-11:25    | Advisory 9th & 12th:<br>10:57 - 11:38 | Lunch 10th & 11th:<br>10:52-11:33    |
| Lunch 9th & 12th:<br>11:15-11:56    | Advisory 10th & 11th:<br>11:30-11:56 | Lunch 9th & 12th:<br>11:38-12:19      | Advisory 10th & 11th:<br>11:38-12:19 |
| 5/6                                 | 12:01-1:19                           | 5/6                                   | 12:24-1:46                           |
| 7/8                                 | 1:27-2:45                            | 7/8                                   | 1:54-3:15                            |
| PLC                                 | 2:45-3:35                            | CHS: Where Warriors are Made          |                                      |

Students enrolled at WCCC, Valley, or Career Center: **this schedule will not change your eligibility to participate in these programs.**

#### **Advisory:**

We firmly believe that advisory plays a crucial role in our students' high school experience. The role of advisory is to serve as a home base and a source of connection. Our advisory teachers will be able to monitor their students more closely if we have to return to remote learning. Our teachers will also be better able to keep up with students through weekly one-on-one conferencing. This teacher to student connection is crucial to address SEL (Social Emotional Learning) needs, discuss academics, and track attendance. Advisory and the connections made therein is more important than ever before, regardless of our learning scenario.

**Student Traffic Flow:** In an effort to decrease congregating in the halls and keeping cohort groups better separated, we created a plan to restrict traffic flow for everyone in our building. Floor signs and maps will be available before the start of school to help direct traffic. Everyone is expected to follow all traffic directions.

**Student distancing:** Physical distancing will be encouraged and reinforced by the way in which students move through the building (not congregating) and by spacing desks apart when possible. Please note that class sizes cannot be reduced because all students are in classes every day. However, no class size will exceed 50 except classes like PE or band. Those classes will be held outside or in larger spaces, adhering to half-capacity guidelines

**Cafeteria:** After much deliberation, the following guidelines were created:

- The lunch period will be split into two waves that will alternate with advisory classes (see bell schedule).
- Seating will be restricted to allow for better socially distancing.
- Additional tables will be added in the courtyard to promote eating outside.
- The cafeteria will create remote food distribution locations to decrease the total number of students in the cafeteria at any time.
- Traffic flow in the cafeteria will be designed to keep students safe and socially distant.

**Masks:** All students and staff will be required to wear a mask or face shield at all times during the day. We will have some masks available for students who broke or forgot their masks. If a student refuses to wear a mask/face shield, he/she will be asked to return home and contact the school by phone or email about possible on-line opportunities. There are some specific cases that due to medical concerns a student may not be able to wear a mask or face shield. Those instances will be handled on a case by case basis. All masks must follow dress code expectations as detailed in the student handbook.

**Guests:** All guests will remain in the front area of the main building unless escorted by a staff member. Guest speakers and visitors are not allowed. Family members needing to speak with staff outside of the main office will need to check into the main office and will either be escorted to meet with the individual or the staff member, if available, will come to the office.

**Student Fees:** We will not assess student fees for classes until we get a better idea of the amount of time a student is in class. We do not want to charge parents for a lab fee or supplies if students are not able to access them. We will review our fees structures in November and share changes at that time.

**Restricted activities:**

- The Colorado Bandmasters Association canceled all band competitions, clinics, and performances for 2020-21. Non-competitive band instruction will still be a vital part of our performing arts program.
- All “in-person” performances for all of our performing arts programs will not be allowed to have live audiences in attendance. Our teachers are working on virtual options.
- Assemblies are canceled until further notice; staff and administration will work to create videos to substitute for these throughout the year.
- Dances are not approved at this time.
- No field trips or non-essential visitors (guest speakers) are allowed at this time.

**Athletics**

At this point in time, three sports are approved for the fall:

- Boys Golf - No change to schedule or rules
- Boys Tennis - Shortened calendar and 25% reduction in competition
- Girls Softball - Shortened calendar and 30% reduction in games

The remaining fall sports teams can continue to practice at this time with typical offseason rules until we get further information from CHSAA.

All students must have access to a mask whether they are practicing/competing indoors or outdoors.

All indoor athletes must wear a mask while indoors.

## **Cleaning Procedures:**

1. Each classroom and cafeteria will be equipped with hand sanitizer. Students will be expected to sanitize whenever they enter and exit an area.
2. Increased hand washing is recommended for all students. If available, hand washing stations will be placed at exits and entrances.
3. Classrooms will be cleaned and sanitized every day after school.
4. Additional cleaning information will be forthcoming.

## **Lockers/Water Fountains:**

- Students will be encouraged to bring backpacks and keep their belongings with them. Lockers will not be distributed at this time including PE lockers.
- Students are also encouraged to bring a reusable water bottle. Regular water fountains will not be used but our refillable water bottle stations are available.

## **Technology:**

- Chromebooks and Keyboards will be cleaned between each use.
- The District is working toward creating a 1 to 1 ratio for technology where all high school students will be allowed to check out their own Chromebook. We are currently looking at November when orders can be filled.

## **Student Parking:**

- We will be distributing parking permits on August 12-13 from 8:00-10:00 AM in a drive-through style.
- We will be sending out more information including links for required paperwork early next week.

**Social Equity:** Central High School is determined to create an atmosphere where all students are respected as individuals, and we focus on those things that unite us instead of divide us.

- Central is the most culturally diverse population in the Grand Valley, and we see this diversity as an asset and part of what makes Central great.
- Early last year we created Youth Connections. This group is a combination of students and staff from various backgrounds with the mission to help all students be included in what it means to be a Warrior.
- If you are interested in participating with this group, please contact your counselor or administrator when school resumes.

**Student Registration:** Student registration is open now.

- All students must complete the student registration form online before schedules will be released.  
[https://vue.d51schools.org/PXP2\\_OEN\\_Login.aspx](https://vue.d51schools.org/PXP2_OEN_Login.aspx)
- We will not have a “check-in” day to complete forms. If you need assistance completing the online form, feel free to contact counseling at 254-6200
- Pictures will take place during the first week of school.

**D51 Online Option** If families would like to pursue an online option through the district, please click the following link.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdiMSWe2Okf3N4AYAoV7KSIz-r5OZ98uXbfY6RcAFyYRZINyA/viawform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdiMSWe2Okf3N4AYAoV7KSIz-r5OZ98uXbfY6RcAFyYRZINyA/viawform?usp=sf_link)