

# Central High School



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## Important Dates

### Free Application Week

October 8th-16th, 2016

### Free ASVAB Test

October 27th, 2016 9-12  
@ GJHS

### Unified Financial Aid Night

November 1st, 2016  
6:00 (Tours start at 4:30)  
@ CMU Student Center

### Musical Comedy Murders of 1940

November 4th, 5th, 6th,  
2016 7pm Curtain  
Tawasi Theatre at Central  
High School

### FAFSA Completion Workshop

November 10th, 2016  
4:00-5:00 @ CHS Library

### Career Fair for 9th & 10th Grades

November 15th, 2016  
7:30-11:00

### Practice SAT Test for 11th Grade

November 15th, 2016  
7:30-11:00

### CMU Campus Tour for 12th Grad

November 15th, 2016  
Bus leaves Central at 9:00

## A Message From Principal Lanc Sellden

In last month's newsletter I laid out CHS's plan to become the first nationally certified STEM school in the state of Colorado through the National Institute of STEM Education (NISE). Since then, fifteen Central teachers (we are the first group in all of Colorado to do this) have started the course through Rice University to become certified teachers in STEM. This teacher certification is the first step in gaining school-wide certification in STEM.

STEM is not just classes in STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), but an environment where methods that embrace innovation, problem solving, collaboration and other STEM foundations are used on a daily basis. Our teachers are in a fifty-two week course that focuses on three main domains for creating a STEM classroom.

**Domain 1: Creating an Environment for Learning** Creating a positive culture in the classroom has always been a cornerstone of Central. In addition to culture, Domain 1 focuses on other aspects such as using technology to enhance learning and collaboration.

**Domain 2: Building Scientific Understanding:** This domain focuses on giving students information they need and then the opportunity to question, look at misconceptions, discuss, and analyze using the skills of practicing scientists.

**Domain 3: Engaging Students in Scientific and Engineering Practices** This domain asks students to take the next steps in their learning through deeper investigation, creative problem solving and innovation. In addition to creating solutions, students will also develop skills to defend their solutions and claims.

These three domains are the fundamental STEM ideas that spark and inspire students and teachers alike to innovate and create with purpose and intention.

While this group of teachers is on the cutting edge of creating a stronger and more encompassing STEM culture here at CHS, there are also a large number of teachers receiving training and working on specific subsets of these domains in other ways. Be it through additional AP (Advanced Placement) training, National Board Certification, or taking classes and leading the school with the ALFA team (Academic Language for All) to strengthen interventions and practices that will help support all Warriors. There are numerous development and leadership opportunities that our teachers are currently taking part in that will strengthen our STEM growth and the overall learning opportunities for all students.

## Girls Basketball

All girls' interested in playing basketball this season. We are still having open gyms after school from 3:15-4:15 in the small gym, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays. If you are not currently in a school sponsored extracurricular activity, it is highly encouraged that you be there; regularly. Also, Winter registration begins Oct. 1, 2016. All girls' must have their paperwork completed before November 8th in order to tryout for basketball team. This includes fall sports athletes.

## Free Application Week October 8th -16th

Seniors-this is the BEST TIME to apply to colleges, as you can save a lot of money on application fees! Please check your Naviance account/email or see your counselor for a list of participating colleges and instructions. Several (not all!) Colorado colleges and universities participate! In order to have application fees waived, students MUST apply during this time frame.

## Financial Aid Info Night-October 11th 6:30-7:00 CHS Library

This workshop is designed to give students and families a general overview of the college financial aid process.

## Free ASVAB Test-October 27th 9:00-12:00 at GJHS

We encourage all students who are considering joining the Service to take this test. Students need to sign up in the Counseling Office.



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## Unified Financial Aid Night at CMU- November 1st-4:30-Student Center-

This is a great way for seniors and their families to learn more about the financial aid process from the experts at CMU. Tours begin at 4:30, and the workshop starts at 6:00 pm.

## FAFSA Completion Workshop-November 10th- 4:00-5:00-CHS Library

Senior families-bring copies of your 2015 tax returns and documents and file your FAFSA form on-line with help from CMU's Financial Aid staff!

## Career Fair/SAT Practice Test/CMU Campus Visit-Morning- November 15th

This day is all about the future for our Warriors! Freshmen and sophomores will attend a career fair, juniors will take a full-length practice SAT test (they will take the SAT as part of the State testing in April, so this is great preparation), and seniors have the opportunity to tour CMU campus! Seniors need to sign up for the CMU trip in the Counseling Office.

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MURDERS  
of  
1940



November 3rd-5th

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