

Good Evening Center High School Families and Friends,

This is Jerald Ferguson, Center High School principal, with my message for the week of January 11th. If you are interested in joining me for my virtual, open office hour every Tuesday from 9:00 to 10:00 AM, please contact Ms. Poor at (916) 338-6422 to schedule and reserve a time.

As a friendly reminder, the window for teachers to submit students' official grades for the fall semester has been postponed to Friday, January 22, 2021, in order to afford site leadership time to carefully and intentionally consider all options that will best reflect student achievement under the current, nontraditional circumstances of distance learning. This has not altered the end of the first semester nor extend the deadline for students to submit work.

With the second semester having begun, some students may have changes to their schedules due to semester courses changing and students may need to checkout new textbooks or pick-up other items. Teachers will be communicating with their classes what they may need to get. Textbooks and other materials can be picked up during regular office hours Monday through Friday, between 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

As the pandemic, quarantines, lockdowns, and isolations continue to affect everyone, Center High School has teamed up with Studio T Dance to provide students and staff with a library of resources to help get students moving, keep them moving, provide motivation, etc. Whether students want to be more active, learn some new dances moves, take their skills to the next level, or watch motivational videos, there is something for everyone. Attached to this email is a flyer with all the information you need to sign up. There is no cost to students or staff and the material can be accessed from anywhere. To access the website to sign up please click [here](#) or enter the following URL in your internet browser:

https://tv.passtoclass.com/orders/customer_info?o=42022

At Center High School, as well as for the entire district, our students' and community's safety and well-being continue to be our priority. With the events that have unfolded recently in Washington DC and across the country, we know that these events can evoke emotions and impact our students and ourselves as well. Our students are aware of the world around them and are watching and looking to us as adults to provide guidance, answers, and understanding of these types of events. These conversations and questions from our students are important to have, but it can be difficult for us adults at the same time. Below are a few links that provide guidance and resources that may be helpful.

[How to Discuss Stressful Situations with Kids](#)

[How to Talk to Your Child About the News](#)

Please know that we are here for your student and you. Please reach out to the Center High School front office, the Family Resource Center, the district office, or any other school site if you would like any additional support or resources.

We hope that everyone has a wonderful week.

Sincerely,

Jerald Ferguson, principal