



Prep Academy News

Friday, October 14, 2022

Monday, October 31st - Prep Academy Conferences

Opportunities will be given for parents to schedule a phone conference, an in-person conference or attend a drop-in (first come, first served) conference from 4:00p.m. – 6:00p.m. on Oct. 31st.

Watch for the email from Dr. Gogerty, the Director of Central Academy, with instructions on how to book a scheduled conference, or mark your calendars and join us for a drop-in conference from 4:00 – 6:00, at Central Academy, (1912 Grand Ave.)

If you have questions, please contact me at diane.fox@dmschools.org

Bus Etiquette

Central Academy is fortunate to have a team of transportation specialists and trained bus drivers transporting students from eleven different home schools to the Prep Academy program.

Our mission to provide advanced curriculum to students from all corners of the city would be impossible without the loyalty and support of these important people.

With this in mind, I would like to review how to be a safe and respectful passenger on the bus.

1. Remain seated while the bus is moving
2. While seated always face forward
3. Keep hands and feet inside the bus and out of the aisle
4. Keep voices at conversational volume, speaking only to those seated next to you

Following these simple rules will assure a safe and enjoyable ride for everyone involved.

Thank you for your continuing support of our bus drivers and our Prep Academy program!

Fall Retreat Follow-up



As students faced the challenges of the climbing wall and low ropes course, some of the lessons learned were....

- a. Communication is important
- b. Teamwork is a great way to solve problems
- c. Persistence helps you move forward one step at a time
- d. Asking for help when you need it, is always a good plan

The same skills apply to Central Academy academics! As challenges arise, use the lessons learned to overcome any roadblock on your path to success, and always remember, we're here to help!

Central Campus Career Expo OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, November 17th, 3:30-6:30

You're Invited!

Central Campus, at 1800 Grand Ave. (the building just east of Central Academy), is home to the Des Moines Public Schools career and technical programs.

Mark your calendars and drop by on November 17, to explore the opportunities offered through Central Campus, including marine biology, automotives, robotics, engineering, photography, aviation, welding, nursing, fashion design, radio/TV/film, criminal justice, and SO MUCH MORE! This open house event gives an opportunity to see what options are available to Des Moines high school students and how you can best prepare to be a participant!

Take advantage of FREE childcare for ages 2-5 years (RSVP REQUIRED FOR CHILDCARE)
To reserve a childcare spot, scan the following QR code to make your reservation.



To learn more about the programs offered at Central Campus and details about the Career Expo, please visit the Central Campus website, <https://centralcampus.dmschools.org/>

Reminders

Attendance:

If your child is absent, in addition to contacting your student's home school, please contact the Central Academy Attendance Clerk at 242-7653

Canvas:

Canvas is the link to get detailed information about classroom activities, assignments, and due dates.

Student access: go to www.dmschools.org click on "student", then "Canvas". You will see a blue column on the left side of the page. Click on "dashboard" to find the individual class information.

Parent access: go to [Canvas Access - Parents - Des Moines Public Schools \(dmschools.org\)](http://Canvas Access - Parents - Des Moines Public Schools (dmschools.org)) for detailed information on how to set up a parent account.

Infinite Campus:

Infinite Campus is where teachers record information about your student's individual progress. This includes grades given on assignments, what assignments might be missing and as time progresses, topic scores. For more information on the use of Infinite Campus visit <https://www.dmschools.org/infinite-campus-studentparent-portal/>

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