

April 19, 2021

From the Principal's Desk

We are now midway through the 2nd semester and the end of the year will be here before we know it! We have uploaded the Progress Reports for the mid semester and they are available in the Portfolio section of Skyward. Please take a moment to look at your teenagers' Progress Report so you have a clear sense of where they stand at the moment. If you are concerned about your teenager in a given subject, please make an appointment with the teacher to get more information about what they need to do to be successful.

We all need to be aware of our students' progress over the next few weeks so that they can avoid failed credits and so they can show their best.

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This week's High School News

AP EXAMS

Please note a change in the location of AP exams. Students will now have the option of taking any digital exam from [this list](#) at home OR at school. They have been asked by their teachers to let us know if they will be taking the exam from home or at school. Once they have decided, they will be committed to this location. The Paper and Pencil tests will all need to be taken on campus.

Please note that students will have excused absences for the entire day of their exam, but there will be no additional Study Days excused. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Carolina Alvarez (calvarez@cng.edu)

COURSE SELECTION INFORMATION

Thank you to those of you who joined us on Friday for the information about Course Selection and the changes in PreAP courses. If you were not able to join, you can find the recording and the presentation below.

[Recording from April 16th meeting](#)
[Presentation from April 16th meeting](#)

Here are some documents that have been shared with students regarding the course selection process for 2021-2022. This should help you to work with your teenagers on these decisions.

[Course Selection Guide 2021-2022](#)
[Virtual Course Fair slides](#)
[Course Selection Process Checklist](#)

Please feel free to reach out to your teenager's counselor if you have any questions or if you need some support as you support your teenager.

CNG MUN THIS WEEK

This week, beginning Monday 19th and concluding Wednesday 21st, our MUN Club members will represent the school, not just as delegates of the various United Nations' committees, but as organizers of the historical CNGMUN. Our students will not attend

school but instead participate in heated and cordial debate with members of all the delegations, represented by students of 11 other schools across the country. We hope you can wish them good luck and remember that this effort is the result of six months of continual planning from students for students. Every aspect of this organization has been directed by our Secretary-general Ilona Barrero and her team. We're more than proud of their achievements!

Reminders

DATES FOR SENIORS

Please see the updated end-of-year dates for Seniors below:

- April 23 Community Hours Completed and reported to Office of Community Service and Social Responsibility
- May 11-14 Senior Cumulative Semester Assessments. Only for select classes. There will be regular classes.
- May 18-28 AP Exams. Students do not need to attend school on the day of their exam. There will be no additional Study Days.
- May 31 Senior Research Presentations. These will be virtual presentations.
- June 3-4 Senior events. Some version of the Senior Walk, the Senior BBQ, Senior Awards Assembly, Art Gallery, etc... This will all depend on what we can do on campus.
- June 6 Graduation Ceremony(ies). Time and details TBD.

DAILY WELLNESS CHECKER

[Daily Wellness Checker](#) - we need your help to ensure that this form is being completed daily for each one of your children. Thank you for your support!

ABSENCES AND MAKE-UPS

You may have received an email recently from the High School Office saying that your teenager had excessive absences in one or more classes that will need to be made up for credit. If you received this email, but are not sure what it means, please reach out to your teenager's associate principal. Making up these classes is an important

requirement and if it is not done, it could lead to a student not receiving credit for the course. Please help your teenager avoid this!

GATE PASSES

We remind you that Gate Passes must be filled out before 12 noon every day to give us time to make the necessary adjustments and follow all our security protocols. We thank you for your attention to this issue.

FIRST WEDNESDAY COLLEGE COUNSELING MEETINGS

Below is the schedule of topics of the First Wednesday College Counseling meetings. The meetings are at 8:00 a.m. and this will be [the zoom link](#) for those meetings. If you would like to see previous meetings, you can check them out at [this link](#).

May 5 Transitioning into College (Senior Parents)

CONNECTION ISSUES

Please note that if your teenager is having connectivity issues and cannot connect to any class we need for parents to send a note through Skyward. The protocol is the same as if they were absent for an on-campus class. In addition, if they are having issues with their account or their zoom platform, they can visit the [Virtual Fishbowl](#) for support.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Every week students receive information on the different service options that they can sign up for in the HS Student News. We invite parents to ask their teenagers what plans they have to get involved this year and serve others. Maybe you can review the options together and consider what the best fit would be?