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# Welcome, EVERYONE, To A Brand New School Year At Central High!

As the familiar signs of autumn life begin returning to our lives, whether they be attending our favorite fall sport or simply appear in getting out our hoodies from the back of the closet, the Central High Times joins in welcoming you to a fun-filled year. This is a wonderful time to reimmerse yourself in Central culture or, if you're a newcomer, to discover all the fantastic opportunities Central has to offer. We wish you a year filled with learning, new experiences, and, most of all, fun! Aiden



YOUR GREATEST SUCCESS is one of their highest goals: your Central administrators give you their thumbs up—and want you to do well. From left, Administrative Intern Mr. Duane Dutrieuielle, Grade 10; Assistant Principal Ms. Terri Lentsch, Grade 9; Head Principal Ms. Mary Mackbee; Assistant Principal Mr. Mark Krois, Grade 11; Assistant Principal Ms. Evelyn Nordquist, Grade 12.



#### What About Those New I-Pads???

Central students are currently scheduled to begin receiving their loaned I-Pads on the evening of November 3rd. As part of the distribution process, students will need to bring a parent with them and fill out an internet access sheet.

It is hoped that the new devices will help increase student learning and also give more equitable access to the education process.

Stay alert for more details, such as policies. The idea of loaning I-Pads to all St. Paul public school students is new to everyone.

## **Upcoming Events**

**OPEN HOUSE:** September 16th SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL ELEC-**TIONS**: September 17th (first round) and September 24th (final)

PICTURE DAYS: September 17th and 18th for non-seniors; October 29thand 30th for seniors\*

**HOMECOMING PEP FEST (after** school) and HOMECOMING GAME: (against Johnson): October 2nd

HOMECOMING DANCE (at the Union Depot in downtown St. Paul): October 4th

FALL MUSICAL: November 14th, 15th, and 16th



AS HAS BEEN OUR PROCEDURE FOR MANY YEARS, freshmen, welcomed by student leaders, were given an orientation to Central on the Thursday before school began.

TYPICAL ACTIVITIES at Central's freshmen retreat. Something unusual happened on Wednesday.

## Something Unusual At The Retreat

Central's freshmen retreat program is in its 21st year. The program has had only slight changes during this time and virtually none since this year's seniors were freshmen.

On Wednesday of this week, however, something quite unusual happened. As expected, students and staff prepared for possible chilly and rainy weather. There was some cold; there was some rain.

The surprise, however, occurred when the camp suffered a power failure which, according to Assistant Principal Teri Lentsch, lasted "a good two hours" and shut off the retreat's electronics.

The result, she said, however, was "absolutely fabulous." Teachers "adlibbed" their lessons, students stepped up; "it went just fine."



FRIENDS AND FAMILIES pose with Central's new Central Black Student Union (CBSU), which met for the first time last Friday afternoon at school. According to Chelcie Kizart (12), "I am supporting CBSU because I think this is really good for black students to understand black culture and be motivated to do better as a person and to do better in school."

### "How Do You Do? Who Are You?"







Your school newspaper welcomes all new Central staff members and will now let you about three. Two are teachers and one is a counselor.

Ms. T. Kyllo is a Special Education EBD teacher who specializes in algebra. This is Kyllo's first year of teaching, but she has worked a total of 12 years as a support staff member in three different Minneapolis public high schools.

Some of you might know Ms. Kyllo from last year, when she coached volleyball at Central, a job she also has this year. She is a graduate of Concordia University in St. Paul.

So far, Kyllo thinks that Central is "Great!" She "loves the support from staff members and students."

One interesting fact about her is that she rides a motorcycle (a 2007 Deluxe-Harley Davidson).

Although Ms. Lisa Showers is a new French teacher for Central, she taught previously for 26 years in River Falls, Wisconsin.

What does she think of Central so far? "I like my students, my colleagues, and the administrationeveryone is very nice."

Showers is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Two of the daughters attend the school now. "I enjoy going to visit them as much as possible."

Ms. Barb Kurtz is a new Central counselor. She helps Central students from letters L-O.

Although Kurtz is new to Central, she has actually worked for 25 years in St. Paul Public Schools. Kurtz received her own postsecondary education from St. Olaf College (BA) and the University of St. Thomas (MA). As a counselor at Central, she indicates that she has had "lots of requests for schedule

Kurtz indicates to us that she is a person who loves "to travel, read, eat, and cook delicious food."

#### \*Senior Yearbook Portrait Policy Explained

We strongly suspect that all Central seniors will want to have their senior portrait in this year's yearbook. Years from now, you seniors will always want to see themselves pictured with your friends. How do you do it?

Make sure that you dress up and have your picture taken at Central on October 29th or 30th, by LifeTouch Studios. The yearbook does not accept portraits from any other studios. You are free to have pictures taken elsewhere for yourself, but the ones at Central are free of charge and therefore allow everyone to

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Summer is Over...What Was One Of The Most Interesting Things You Did?