

### Dear CPEC Parent.

It is with great pleasure and excitement that I extend a warm welcome to you and your family as your child has been accepted through the CMS magnet lottery process to attend Central Piedmont Early College for the 2024-2025 school year. We are thrilled to have your student and your family join our school community, and we look forward to an enriching and successful academic journey together.

Central Piedmont Early College is committed to providing a unique and challenging educational experience that blends high school and college coursework. Our program is designed to empower students to excel academically, develop critical thinking skills, and prepare for post-secondary success.

Here are some key details to help you and your child navigate the transition into our school community:

## **New Family Orientation:**

We will be hosting an orientation session on <u>Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 6:00pm</u> here on campus, to provide you with important information about Central Piedmont Early College, our academic programs, and the support services available to students. This will also be an opportunity to meet key staff members and fellow parents. The campus location for the orientation will be shared in future communications.

## Academic Advising & Course Scheduling:

Our dedicated school counselor and administrative team are here to guide your child through their course selection, offer support, and ensure a smooth transition into the college-level coursework. Shortly, all of our new families will receive a follow up email from our School Counselor, Ms. DeAntonio, that will provide important next steps in the advising and course selection process.

# Parent Involvement:

We strongly encourage parental involvement in the academic journey of our students. Throughout the school year, there will be opportunities for you to engage with teachers, attend parent-teacher conferences, and participate in school events. We have a very active PTSO at CPEC that goes above and beyond to support our students and staff. Please visit the PTSO website located <a href="here">here</a>, for more information about the work that is being done on our campus and how you can get connected with our PTSO.

#### Extracurricular Activities:

Central Piedmont Early College offers a variety of extracurricular activities, clubs, and events to enhance the overall student experience. We encourage students to explore these opportunities to foster personal growth and development. We will share more information about extracurricular activities available at CPEC during our orientation on March 14th.

## **Communication**:

Open communication is essential for a successful partnership between parents, students, and the school. We will keep you informed about school events, academic progress, and important announcements through a newly created "2024-2025 Magnet Lottery Updates" link that has been added to our school website, weekly family newsletter updates and structured social events on our campus that are designed to bridge relationships with our current families to our new families.

We are confident that your student will thrive in our dynamic learning environment, and we are committed to providing the support needed for their success. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our school office at 980-343-0098 or <a href="mailto:cassie.sharpe.@cms.k12.nc.us">cassie.sharpe.@cms.k12.nc.us</a>.

Once again, welcome to Central Piedmont Early College! We look forward to a rewarding and successful academic year.

Sincerely,

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