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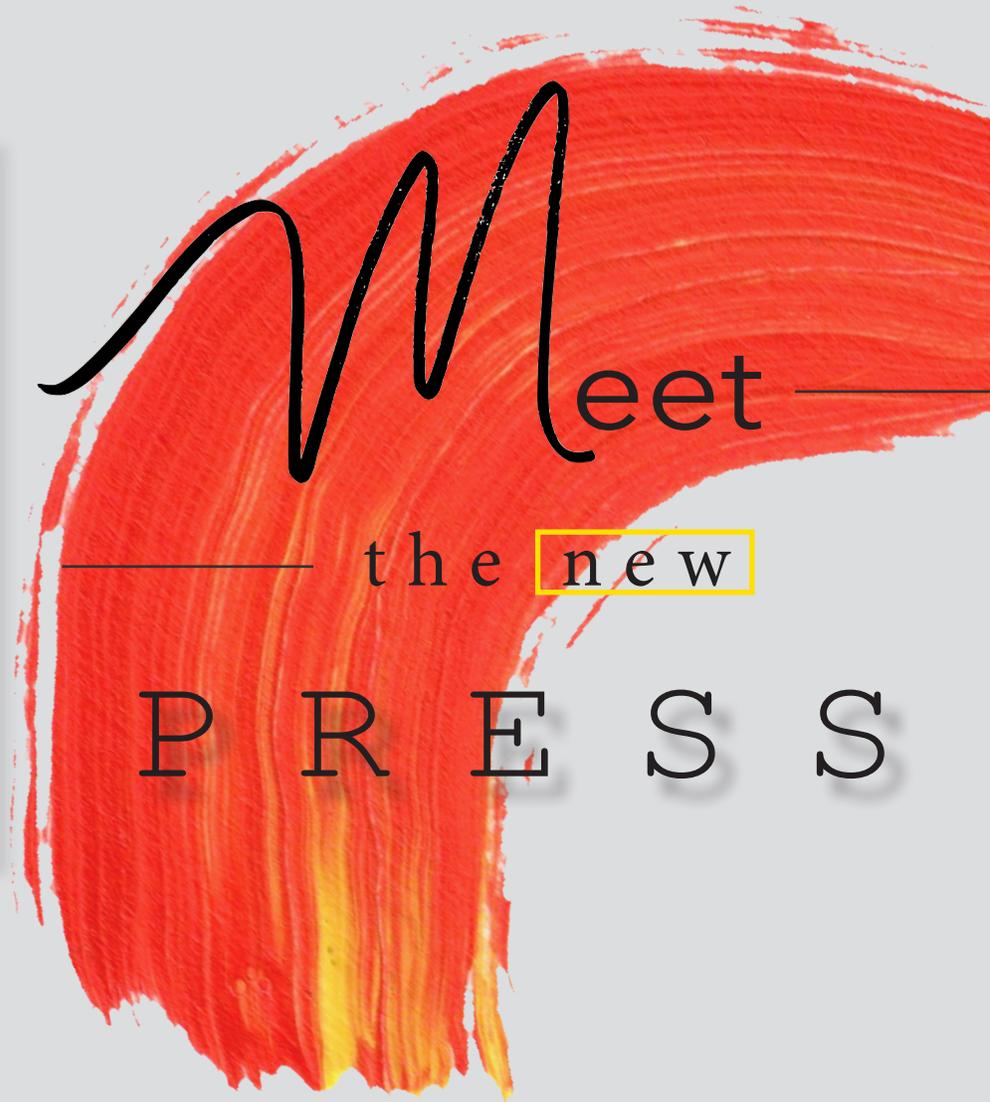
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JUNIOR YEAR: Expectations vs.

REALITY

Junior year has built up a reputation as being the most stressful year of high school because it is so critical for college applications. It is the year where most students take multiple AP courses to increase their GPA, as well as the year students take the SAT or ACT.

Although the stress of all those events can weigh a student down, junior year is also the year most students get their license and go to Prom. Junior year is an exciting year filled with all kinds of events, good and challenging.

At the end of sophomore year, most sophomores have the same expectations for the coming year: it is going to be the toughest year of high school. Some students use this as motivation to work harder than normal.

In preparation for what she knew was going to be a challenging year, junior

Fjordia Akhtar decided she wouldn't procrastinate.

"I promised myself I wouldn't procrastinate and that I would work really hard to stay on top of all my classes," said Akhtar.

Junior year does give students

plenty of challenges academically. However, there are no surprises when it comes to courses; students know what they are getting into when they sign up for certain classes.

Kaitlyn Oaksmith did not underestimate the difficulty junior year would bring to the table, and she prepared herself for that.

"Junior year was about the same difficulty as I expected, and I got the same grades as I expected," Oaksmith claimed.

Even though juniors

experience a lot of academic stress, junior year is about more than that. Sometimes students feel as though they won't have time to relax or that their social life will disappear. For some, this isn't entirely true.

Jawayria Rehman made sure she managed her time wisely.

"Junior year went by

really fast. I had enough free time to binge-

watch Netflix and hang out with my friends," Rehman noted.

The challenges faced by juniors are not all necessarily bad. In reality, junior year can shape students into a person that is closer to an adult. Students learn new things about themselves or finally have a better idea

of what they want to do when they grow up.

Rehman learned a lot junior year, not just the subjects she was taking, but also about herself.

"I also feel like I grew into myself a bit more. I feel a lot more confident in who I am and my drive to succeed has only strengthened," said Rehman.

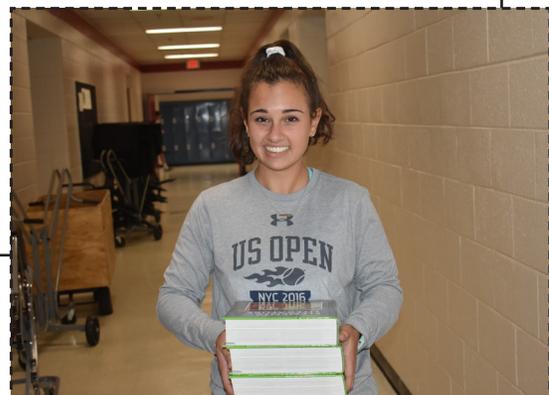
Although junior year may be tough, the best way to succeed is to be prepared and to have the right mindset. Getting a little help is never a bad thing when it comes to difficult times. Through the trial of this year, the current juniors have advice to pass down to rising juniors.

"You should play school sports or join clubs—they are good stress relievers," advised Oaksmith.

"Just roll with it," said Akhtar. "Expect challenges but expect to rise to those challenges as your true strength of mind and character reveals itself."

-Hibah Khan

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Kaitlyn Oaksmith

BAGLEY SAYS

Goodbye

Michelle Bagley, a Gifted and Talented Resource teacher here at Centennial, is coming to the end of her final year of teaching. She has been working here for 27 years and has continued to prove how great of a teacher she is.

Before teaching, she studied several sciences among other things, and attended two colleges: University of Maryland for the Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, and University of Pennsylvania, once for an MS degree and certification, another for a BS in biology.

Bagley has accumulated approximately 20 awards and honors in her career, including; Presidential Scholar Teacher in 2009 and 2017, Maryland JSH, NASA Grant in 1995, and Intel ISEF Excellence in Teaching Award in 2001.

Rather than thinking about awards, Bagley was simply thinking about doing her best as a teacher.

“When I first started teaching I didn’t think about awards and then one of my principals

mentioned he was going to submit my name for an award and I got it,” she commented.

While her individual awards were important, she greatly valued the ones she received as a result of her students’ admiration for her.

“Some of the awards come from students where they submit my name for the Coca-Cola Distinguished Teacher Award or the Regeneron Award, so those come from the students and of course they mean the most to me.”

She has taught several subjects in her time here, such as Anatomy and Physics and AP Biology, but her current classes are Gifted and Talented Resources along with Science.

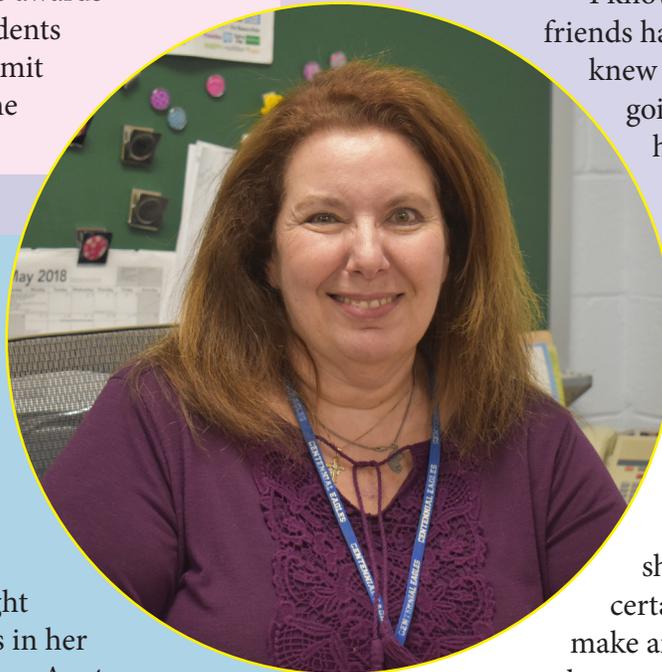
A significant part of Bagley becoming a teacher was due to her love for acting.

“I was doing a lot of acting on the side and I loved doing that, then I thought teaching and

being up in front of the classroom and being able to do a little show every-day for my students combined my love for science and my love for acting.”

Though her original career choice was Veterinary Medicine, her students made her not regret her choice to switch.

“So many of my students have gone on and become doctors and lawyers and have invented products and that just makes me feel so good; [becoming a teacher] was



definitely the right decision,” Bagley said.

While her students left a clear impact on her life and teaching, she hopes that she was able to help them as well, not only in her class, but in decisions even beyond high school.

“One of the things that I think is so important about picking a career

choice is passion,” Bagley admitted.

“Picking a career, not because your parents told you to do it, not because you’ll make a lot of money, but because you’re going to love it. I think I’ve been able to guide a lot of my students in finding the right career path,” continued Bagley.

Although she has many hobbies that she enjoys outside of teaching now, she is uncertain of what she will do following her retirement.

“I know a lot of my friends have retired and knew what they were going to do. I don’t have that yet, I’m going to take the first few months and figure it out.”

While Bagley’s impact on Centennial will be felt for years to come, she will most certainly continue to make an impression on others.

“I want to travel a little bit and maybe work, teach a class at the community college or something like that.”

- Delanie Tucker

SUMMER MOVIES:

-Julia Stitely

6/15: Incredibles 2

14 years after the original movie's debut, *Incredibles 2* starts exactly where it left off in the normal life of the Parr family. Now, Elastigirl is asked to fight as a hero for a new job, while Mr. Incredible becomes a stay-at-home dad. But when a new menace comes, the Parr family need to join forces to save not just the city, but the world.



7/6: Ant Man and the Wasp

Scott Lang is on house arrest after working with Captain America during the events of *Captain America: Civil War*. His partners, Hank Pym and his daughter Hope, are on the run. But when a person uses Pym's technology against him, the trio comes back together to make things right.



6/22:

Jurassic Park Fallen Kingdom

Actors Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard return for the sequel to *Jurassic World*, coming back to the abandoned Jurassic Park to recuse Blue. After being betrayed by the people who hired them, they try to save humanity from the danger of a new dinosaur.



8/6: The Darkest Minds

Based on the best selling novel, *The Darkest Minds* is set in the future where most of humanity has been wiped out, but children who have survived have developed powers

and are feared by the government. Ruby, played by Amandla Stenberg, and her friends escape and are on the run. Using their new found abilities, they fight back.



8/6: Christopher Robin

Winnie the Pooh's best friend, Christopher Robin has grown up and left the Hundred Acre Wood behind him. When he faces challenges in his adult life, Pooh and the other animals of the fantasy world return to help him realize the importance of family and happiness.



summer
must
haves



S'MORE BARS

Ingredients:

- ½ cup butter
- ½ cup white sugar
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 6 graham crackers, crushed into crumbs
- ½ cup peanut butter
- 2 4-oz chocolate bars (the extra big, extra thick size)
- 1 7-oz jar of marshmallow creme

Directions:

Combine butter, white sugar, brown sugar, egg, vanilla, baking powder, flour, and salt into a mixing bowl. Mix all ingredients thoroughly until evenly spread. Then, add the crushed graham crackers into the mix and stir until all is mixed. Spread half of the batter into a square pan, add a thick layer of the chocolate on top of the mix, spread the marshmallow on top of the chocolate, and finish with adding the other half of the mix to on top of the marshmallow. Bake for 20 minutes at 350 degrees.

WATERMELON CUPCAKES

Ingredients:

- 6 tbsp butter, softened
- ¾ cup sugar
- 3 egg whites
- ½ cup sour cream
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup + 2 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 1½ tsp baking powder
- ¼ tsp salt
- leaf green food coloring by Wilton (or similar light green food coloring)
- 2 sticks of butter, unsalted at room temperature
- ½ cup vegetable shortening
- 3-4 cups powdered sugar
- ¾ tsp of powdered watermelon Kool-Aid mix
- small amount of red food coloring, to give the buttercream a pinkish color
- mini chocolate chips

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 375° F. Place liners in a cupcake pan. Beat the butter and sugar in an electric mixer until fluffy. Mix together sour cream and vanilla with a spatula. In a smaller bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt. Mix gently. Gradually add half of the flour mixture to the wet ingredients. Add in the green food coloring, mix to incorporate. Divide the batter among the cupcake liners, filling each 1/2 full. Bake at 375° F for 5 minutes, then reduce heat to 350° will keeping the cupcakes in the oven and bake for 8-10 minutes. Allow the cupcakes to cool before adding the buttercream.

PINEAPPLE STRAWBERRY SMOOTHIE

Ingredients:

For the pineapple coconut smoothie:

- frozen pineapple
- frozen mango
- cream of coconut
- milk or other substitute

For the strawberry smoothie:

- a frozen banana
- frozen strawberries
- frozen mangos
- milk or other substitute

Directions:

Put in the ingredients and mix until it reaches desired consistency.

- Eliza Andrew

SPORTS RECAP

-Joey Sedlacko



The 2017-2018 school year was filled with athletic excellence on all fronts. Students were able to represent the school and display their tremendous athletic abilities on the field, court, wrestling mats, golf course, or track.

Beginning in the fall, the cross country team started the year off with a bang as the boys team placed second in the state championship and the girls finished fourth place at the state championship.

The Centennial soccer program has been very successful over the years; continuing their legacy, the girls and boys team both had notable seasons. The girls soccer team capped off a fine season

with the fifth best record in the county at 9-6-1. As for the boys soccer team, they went on to have a fantastic run in the playoffs, winning the regional final and advancing to the state semi-final.

On the golf course is where many shined this fall. Senior Isabel Trojillo won the county championship tournament and also was named first-team all-county along with junior Megumi Fukuza-wa. Junior Kenny Chaplain earned first-team all-county honors with his stellar golf play this season.

During the winter season, Centennial sports excelled. The boys basketball team had another successful season under coach Chad Hollwedel as they were able to advance to the regional final.

Senior Andrew Hohmann was named a Hoco Boys Player of the Week by the *Baltimore Sun*, and senior Sean Taylor secured his way onto a second-team all-county roster.

On the wrestling mats, junior Jason Kraisser proved to be on a whole

other level. Kraisser capped off his perfect record with a third state title this year, earning him the achievement of being named 2017-2018 All-Metro Wrestler of the Year.

The indoor track team also put on a great season. The boys team placed third in both the county and the regional championship. Seniors Greg Costello and Juan Parra were both able to gain a spot on the all-county indoor track team. The girls indoor track team made history this winter. Seniors Claudia Pilcher and Kirsten Wikner, and juniors Cora Blount and Alison Betler were the

first Centennial girls indoor track and field team to win the 4x800 meter relay state title.

In the spring, the boys lacrosse team had an outstanding season this

year. The boys lacrosse team was able to reach the state semi-final game after capturing a win in the regional final. Senior captain Jeremy Wilson had a record-breaking season, finishing the year with the most points in a single season in school history.

Many stood out on the tennis court for Centennial this spring. Senior Peter Ho and sophomore Olivia Tsai placed third in the state tournament in mixed doubles, and senior Ram Kotana won the county and regional tournament for singles.

The 2017-2018 school year will be an unforgettable time of many great athletic achievements.



Summer

bucket list

nearby vacations



- Ocean City- around 3 hours; 149 miles
- Chesapeake Beach- around 1 hour; 55.5 miles
- Deep Creek Lake- around 2 hours and 45 mins; 168 miles
- Virginia Beach- 4 hours and 15 mins; 249 miles
- New York City- 3 hours and 25 mins; 202 miles

adrenaline rush

- ZavaZone- \$19.50/hour; inside
- Terrapin Adventures- \$15-\$75; outside
- Autobahn Indoor Speedway- \$19.99/single race; waiver if <18
- Medieval Times- \$59.95/person
- Monster Mini Golf- \$10.99/person
- NinjaBE- \$19.99/hour
- ShadowLand- \$8.50/one adventure
- Main Event- prices vary
- Skyzone- \$16/hour; waiver if <18
- Six Flags- \$49.99-\$69.99



events

- 6/24 Harry Styles @ Capital One Arena
- 7/3 Sam Smith @ Capital One Arena
- 7/4 Celebrations-
 - 1) Fireworks in D.C.
 - 2) Fireworks at Fairgrounds Park
 - 3) Independence Day Parade in D.C.
 - 4) The First Purge Movie
- 7/10 + 7/11 Taylor Swift,



- Camila Cabello, Charli XCX @FedExField
- 7/12 + 7/13 Britney Spears @Theater at MGM National Harbor
- 7/27 + 7/28 Beyoncé, JAY-Z @FedExField
- 7/27-7/29



- Panorama @Randall's Island Park, New York City
- 8/4-8/11 Howard County Fair
- 8/10 Jason Mraz @ Merriweather
- 9/12 + 9/13 Drake, Migos @Capital One Arena
- 9/19 Childish Gambino, Rae Sremmurd @ Capital One Arena



Food

- Tea-Do- Bubble tea
- Iron Age- Korean BBQ
- Shake Shack- Burgers
- BonChon Chicken- Fried chicken
- BricknFire Pizza
- Pho Saigon- Vietnamese food
- Soft Stuff- Ice cream
- Eggspectation- Breakfast
- Rita's Italian Ice- dessert



no money? no worries!

- Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History- free
- Centennial Park- free
- Clark's Elioak Farm- \$6/person
- Visit Baltimore's Inner Harbor- free
- Breezy Hills Alpaca Farm- \$5/person for tour



- Lien Hoang