

The Center School 2009-2010 School-wide Fees

Please mail or pay at front desk. All fees should be paid by September 30, 2009.

If you have questions, contact the front desk at (206) 252-9850.

Make check payable to: The Center School Mail to: 305 Harrison St. Seattle, WA 98109

All students pay \$60*:

Art Integration	\$15
(for art integration projects in all courses – includes materials and art supplies)	
School Play	\$10
(all students attend at least one school-wide play at the Seattle Rep and/or Intiman)	
Printing Supplies	\$5
(for students to print their research, documents, essays and term papers)	
School Planner	\$10
(2009-10 Center School Policies, Calendar and Student Planner)	
School ID Card	\$10
Science Lab	\$10*
(for equipment, supplies, and materials in ALL science courses)	
*Seniors without a Science course are exempt from this fee	

Class-Specific Fees

The following fees fund specific academic programs, which may or may not be part of a student's 2009-2010 schedule. Please pay these fees directly to the teacher.

(By separate check, payable to The Center School):

In addition, some students pay:

Integrated Science Curriculum Workbook	\$5
(9/10th students only. Contains copies of all notes, diagrams, activities, labs, etc. for the course)	
Visual Art Supplies.....	\$10
Sem 1 and/or Sem 2 (\$10 for each class taken per Semester. AP students may need to purchase additional supplies from teacher)	
Film Fee	\$10
Sem 1 and/or Sem 2 (\$10 for each class taken per Semester. Includes use and maintenance of video camera and equipment)	
Graphic Design Fee	\$10
Sem 1 and/or Sem 2 (\$10 for each class taken per Semester.)	
Photography Fee	\$10
Sem 1 and/or Sem 2 (\$10 for each class taken per Semester.)	

Note: Payment arrangements and accommodations will be made for students who qualify for the free/reduced lunch program. Please call The Center School at (206) 252-9850 if you would like to request financial assistance.

For office use: Student name _____ Parent name _____ Date _____

Suggested Back-to-School Supplies for The Center School 2009-2010

Kleenex - box of tissues for classroom

Copy paper - one ream (500 sheets) plain for classroom

Notebook paper - college-ruled, loose-leaf

Pens - Ballpoint or gel, blue and/or black

Pencils - 12 or more #2 or mechanical

USB flashdrive - any size, label with your name

Graphing calculator - TI-84 (or TI-84 Plus) model, TI-83 ok

Colored pencils - pack of 12 or more, assorted colors

Glue stick(s)

Scissors (at home)

Ruler - 12", inches and metric

Felt pens/markers

Highlighter pens

Index cards - 3x5", ruled or plain

Hand Sanitizer - travel size for student or pump size for classroom

Notebook(s) - your teachers will tell you specific needs

Sketchbook - for all art and graphic design classes

Students will receive a full-size, customized **2009-2010 TCS Planner** with their school-wide fees.

Don't forget your **TeenTix** (seattlecenter.com/teentix/) and **Seattle Public Library** cards (spl.org)! Register online before school starts.

Optional or by teacher request: Sharpie pens, Post-it notes, compass, protractor, graph paper, binder, divider tabs, pencil pouch, eraser, tape, stapler, art supplies, SD card for digital photography, check for meal punch card.

Kleenex, copy paper (white, multi-purpose) and hand sanitizer donations for the classrooms can be dropped-off at the front desk. Thanks!

ALL CENTER SCHOOL RETREAT SEPT 9*, 10, 11

Why should you come? Ask yourself:

Sit at a desk...

or Sit under the sky?

Act like a student...or be a student who acts?

(Actually, these are the first days of school, so attendance will be taken.)

One hour north of Seattle
at Camp Brotherhood

Bus transportation from Seattle Center
@ 8:30am; return @ 5pm Thurs & Friday
\$100 Seniors; \$50 9-11th Graders

Scholarships available, contact Ms. Escobar @ 252-9850

***Wednesday 9/9 - Seniors only (overnight)**

Thursday 9/10 - Frosh, Sophs, Juniors & Seniors

Friday 9/11 - Frosh, Sophs, Juniors & Seniors

Friends, Food, Projects, Presentations, Art, Music, Activities, Teachers

(To think outside of the box, you just might have to step outside.)

We'll take student's school photo (for ID, year-book and photo package) at the Retreat. Photo package will be FREE with payment of school fees.

Welcome to the 2009-2010 School Year!

I have noticed recently that leaves are starting to change colors and the days are getting shorter. Hopefully, you are grabbing every last second of summer with your family and having fun, sleeping in and feeling just a twinge of excitement about the beginning of a new school year. I know I am looking forward to having our hallways filled with the chatter and laughter that comes with creative, energized teens. It is definitely been too quiet around here lately!

We are starting the year with a new tradition for The Center School – a retreat for everyone to come together and work on ways to improve the climate and culture of our school. Much of this retreat will be lead by our seniors who have the responsibility and the capacity to be positive leaders in our school. Our goals are to inspire creative energy, develop compassion/tolerance, refine our thinking skills and build community. We must create common understandings and agreements and identify ways we can all contribute to a school where students/staff/families thrive. And of course, we plan to have fun doing so! Be sure to send in your payment or bring it on September 2nd or 3rd. For seniors, the three days, plus one night, is \$100; freshmen, sophomores, and juniors pay \$50 for two full days.

This summer has been one of reflection for me as an educator. I love Center School and the students that attend. I believe I work with the most amazing staff ever! And I have never felt so supported by dynamic, dedicated parents. We had a very stressful year last year as the district explored options to become fiscally stable, including merging us with another school. Fortunately, we are still a vital part of the Seattle Public Schools and are continuing to move toward our goals with renewed energy, which of course includes students reaching their potentials.

I would love to see students return to school this year with the same renewed energy and focus on developing themselves intellectually, emotionally and socially. There seems to be a trend developing where students are becoming less willing to work hard to achieve academically and less willing to take responsibility for themselves and their environment. Perhaps it is because we adults are less willing to hold them accountable for inappropriate behaviors or allow them to experience logical consequences for decisions they make that may not be in their best interest. It is our job here at school to expand their thinking in a multitude of areas. It is equally important for us to expect and reinforce positive behaviors like being respectful, cleaning up after themselves, dressing appropriately and helping out at school and at home. I am hoping that we can work together this year in creating a framework for our students that enable them to be successful in all areas. This will require approaching them with positive intent, providing appropriate structure and support and being honest when they are falling short of their potential.

We have a very exciting year ahead of us. Enjoy the last few weeks of summer. Hopefully the weather will hold. I look forward to seeing parents and guardians on Thursday evening, October 1st for Curriculum Night.

Take care,

Lisa Escobar
Principal, The Center School



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Lots of paper...with lots of info!

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- **Health Registration Form**
- **FERPA Form** (Deadline is Oct 1st. No changes, do not return)
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- **CSCA Forms**
- **Lunch punch card &/or photo package check** (optional)

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