



## Centennial Academy Head of School Report CA Strategic Goals 2020 - 2025

### November 2021

**Academic Excellence:** Centennial Academy will achieve and sustain top tier academic results by outperforming the district and state average, ultimately achieving a score of 90 or above, as measured by the College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI)

**21-22 Target Goal:** 60% of scholars will demonstrate proficiency in ELA and 65% of scholars will demonstrate proficiency in Math as measured by DRC Beacon Assessment data by the end of the academic year; 60% will meet their Typical Growth Goal in ELA and Math as indicated by iReady assessment data; 35% of scholars will meet their Stretch Growth Goal in ELA and Math

#### Updates:

- Celebrated **National STEAM Day** on November 8th with an Hour of STEAM challenge at every grade level spearheaded by our STEAM Specialist, Ms. Summer Blackmon
- Centennial is crafting a high frequency tutoring program as a part of our school wide focus on personalized learning through a partnership with **FEV Tutoring**
- **OutTeach Orientation** was held with Accelerated Pathway and Kindergarten Teachers as a part of our STEAM focus on effective usage of outdoor spaces for cross-curricular experiences that make science real, relevant, and relatable for all scholars
- The **Art of Problem Solving BEAST Academy** has now started for 2nd - 7th grade scholars as a part of the Accelerated Pathway math enrichment program both during the afternoon WIN Intervention Block and afterschool

#### Upcoming Meetings:

- Ehab Jaleel, Executive Director, Amana Academy, STEM//venture Day
- Dr. Saphronia Johnson, Assistant Dean of Natural Science, Life University, STEAM Environmental Projects

**School Culture:** Centennial Academy will achieve high satisfaction among stakeholders by ensuring a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment for every scholar, educator, and parent as indicated by 4 out of 5 stars on the CCRPI School Climate Star Rating

**21-22 Target Goal:** 90% of scholars will attend 90% of enrolled days by the end of the academic year

#### Updates:

- Ms. Angel Hendricks, Dean of Culture, is leading Centennial's **College and Career Readiness** initiative which has now shifted to the First Thursdays of every month
- Upper Academy Computer Science Instructor, Dr. Brent Johnson, has reignited Centennial's **eSports League** for 6th - 8th grade scholars
- Our Media Specialist, Ms. Jennifer Burke, is heading up **Girl Scouts** at Centennial Academy once again this year and is in need of Parent Co-Leaders and Volunteers
- Kudos to Athletic Director and Boys Basketball Coach, Mr. Michael Willis, for leading Centennial's scholar athletes to a winning victory in the basketball game against Atlanta Classical Academy as a part of the **Atlanta Hawks Court of Dreams** event
- Ms. Kevelyn Cormier, **Communities in Schools Coordinator**, provided a **FREE Breakfast in a Bag** incentive for Centennial parents during morning drop off to encourage student attendance initiatives
- The Senior Leadership Team, under the leadership of Associate Head of School, Ms. Stephanie Hodges, has planned **Thankful Thursday** initiatives for the month of



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November to show staff appreciation of our Centennial Academy Heroes

### Upcoming Meetings:

- Sheri Crawley, Founder & CEO, Pretty Brown Girl Mentoring Organization

**Professional Capacity:** Centennial Academy will achieve 90% retention among staff by fostering a positive and healthy working environment that retains, supports, rewards, and attracts talented educators

**21-22 Target Goal:** 83% of staff will be retained by the end of the academic year

### Updates:

- **Teacher-led Professional Development** was launched this month and six teachers served as master facilitators on the following topics:
  - Señora Nieves Corrales, Upper Academy Spanish Teacher, *UN Sustainable Goals and Human Rights*
  - Ms. Brooke Rose, Upper Academy Science Teacher, *Implementing Data Trackers*
  - Ms. Anesha James, 4th-Grade Math/Science Teacher, *It's Scientifically Phenomenal!*
  - Mr. Kyle George, 4th Grade Math/Science Teacher, *Positive Learning Environment*
  - Ms. Crystal Jackson, Kindergarten Teacher, *Setting Routines and Expectations*
  - Dr. Brent Johnson, Upper Academy Computer Science Teacher, *Integrating Computer Science into the Classroom*
- Applications are now being accepted for Centennial's reestablished **Georgia Tech Pre-Teaching Internship Program** through a collaboration with Ms. Susan Belmonte at CEISMC
- Centennial has placed two Spring 2022 Student Interns from the **College of Education at Georgia State University** with Ms. Ashley Monroe, 3rd Grade Teacher, and Ms. Grace Pniewski, Middle Academy Counselor
- Centennial is currently working through a MOU with new teacher education partner **Kennesaw State University's Bagwell College of Education** for future student teacher and recruitment initiatives
- Members of the Expanded Leadership Team attended the **EL Education Virtual Summit** which focused this year on Identifying Student Strength & Measuring Student Learning
- The Senior Leadership Team completed a Semester I Book Study by reading **The Ten-Minute Principal** for effective strategies on time management, parent and staff engagement, and culture building
- Members of Centennial's STEAM Team attended the **2021 Virtual STEM/STEAM Summit** hosted by the Georgia Department of Education
- Teachers have participated in **i-Ready Teacher Toolbox Training** and **LearnZillion Professional Development** for EL Education English Language Arts Curriculum

### Upcoming Meetings:

- Elizabeth Hearn, Director, CREATE Teacher Residency Program

**Community Partnerships:** Centennial Academy will cultivate family and community partnerships to ensure success for every scholar and serve as the school of choice for families who value excellence in academics, applied STEAM integrated learning, and ethical leadership in an urban environment

**21-22 Target Goal:** 85% of parents will participate in a formal Parent-Teacher Conference by the end of the academic year



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### Updates:

- Our RTI/SST Coordinator, Mr. Eric Wiggins, has partnered with **The Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation** to provide free vision screenings for K-8 scholars
- Through a partnership with **APS**, Centennial scholars are eligible for a \$50 incentive per vaccine dose when they visit an APS-sponsored **COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic**
- **The Arthur Blank YMCA** is now offering childcare services on Asynchronous Fridays for families in need of care
- Our Technology Manager, Mr. Gregory LeePow, and Social Worker, Ms. Shava Cureton-Clark, have worked together to provide additional Chromebooks and student desks to the **Atlanta Mission** to ensure that transient scholars have access to technology and resources for Centennial Virtual Academy
- Our Associate Head of School, Ms. Stephanie Hodges, attended the **Atlanta Fire Rescue Foundation's Breakfast with our Bravest**, on behalf of Centennial Academy, as a special guest of the **Coca Cola Corporation**
- Ms. Jennitra Zachery, Teacher Support Coordinator, was able to attend the **Georgia State University CREATE Teacher Residency Program Half Day School Leaders Retreat**

### Upcoming Meetings:

- Dr. Sarah Cook, Interim Dean, Georgia State University Honors College & Ms. Esther Powers, Director, Cristo Rey Jesuit High School

**Financial Sustainability:** Centennial Academy will align resources to address scholar needs and manage funds to ensure revenue will equal or exceed expenditures annually while achieving all five financial performance standards as stated in charter contract

**21-22 Target Goal:** A minimum of \$150,000 will be secured through fundraising activities (grants, gifts, donations, etc.) by the end of the academic year to support the annual reserve

### Updates:

- Received an APS **Title II Professional Development Grant** for \$20,950 towards EL Education Coaching and Development
- Centennial's Enrollment Team, under the leadership of Enrollment Manager Ms. Sharon Gardner-Pierre, passed the **APS Annual Audit** for recordkeeping and Infinite Campus compliance (*the source of FTE revenue funding*)

### Upcoming Meetings:

- Dr. Lisa Herring, Superintendent, Atlanta Public Schools

### Enrollment

Kinder	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	TOTAL
90	80	90	112	79	103	82	67	73	776 (+16)



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**COVID-19**

- *Positive Cases, August 5th - November 15, 2021*

<i>Scholars</i>	<i>Staff</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>		<i>Scholars</i>	<i>Staff</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
<b>58 (+5)</b>	<b>9 (+2)</b>	<b>67 (+7)</b>		<b>159 (+15)</b>	<b>24 (0)</b>	<b>183 (+15)</b>

- *Close Contacts, August 5th - November 15, 2021*

\*\*\*APS Weekly COVID-19 Tracker: [Link](#)

- *One kindergarten class was subject to a 10-day Quarantine due to a “cluster” of positive cases as defined by three or more within a 28-day period*
- *Staff Vaccination Percentage: 78% Fully Vaccinated (no change)*