

Dragon Tales  
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#### **Chorus:**

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Please note, these courses may be changed once we finalize students' schedules in the performing arts. Changes are made based on your child's skill level and/or performance group by our band, orchestra and chorus teachers.

In addition, we also want to clarify our Physical Education program for next year. All students will take two quarters of PE, either in the 1st and 3rd quarters or in the 2nd and 4th quarters. You will see PE listed two times in your student's schedule to account for these two quarters of the class.

If there is anything that Mrs. Peppers and Mrs. Madison can do to support you in your student's registration, please feel free to contact either of us at [ebony\\_peppers@hcpss.org](mailto:ebony_peppers@hcpss.org) or [tiffany\\_madison@hcpss.org](mailto:tiffany_madison@hcpss.org).

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Please check out the DMS student resource page for more information about Black History Month.

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### Community Messages

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The Centennial Football program will hold an interest meeting for all 8<sup>th</sup> graders interested in playing football this fall on **Wednesday, April 21 at 5:00pm**. Information will be provided regarding summer workouts, expectations, and the practice schedule for the fall. It is important that all players and parents attend this meeting if you are interested in participating in football this fall. Use the following google meet code to join the meeting: **CHS-Football**

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