

ACADEMIC EXCELENCE PROGRAM

MEET THE 2022-2023 RAMS FOOTBALL ACADEMIC COACHES

The purpose of the Academic Excellence Program is to create a structure that gives our players the best possible opportunity to reach their potential as students, which is a key part of our Mission. To help ensure that the collective efforts of students, parents, teachers and coaches are being maximized, we have solicited the help of three outstanding members of the CDHS faculty to serve as Academic Coaches. Their purpose is to monitor and assist each player in helping them to reach their potential academically.

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CHRIS CLOXTON – Varsity/JV Academic Coach

Chris Cloxton is in his 8th year as Academic Coach and teaches English at Central Dauphin High School. He is a graduate of CDHS where he was active in the band program, including the marching band. Chris is also a graduate of West Virginia University where he earned a BS in Secondary Education. While at WVU, he played baritone in the “Pride of West Virginia: The Mountaineer Marching Band”. In 1998, he returned to CDHS where, in addition to teaching, he served as assistant marching band director for many years. Chris lives in downtown Harrisburg. He enjoys hiking and watching WVU and CD sports teams.

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SHELDON HEIL – Freshman Academic Coach

Mr. Sheldon Heil is a 2nd year Academic Coach and teaches Spanish at Central Dauphin High School. He is a graduate of State University of New York at New Paltz where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Spanish. Mr. Heil also earned a Master’s of Science in secondary Education at Mount St. Mary College in Newburgh, N.Y. Before entering the teaching profession, Mr. Heil served 20 years as a Police Officer in the City of Newburgh, N.Y. During his police career, he served for three years as the School Resource Officer at his alma mater, Newburgh Free Academy. He also taught Spanish at Newburgh Free academy for seven years. Mr. Heil served in the United States Navy Submarine service as a navigation specialist. He was on the track and swimming teams in high school. He enjoys hunting, fishing, motorcycles and working with dogs.

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SCOTT FIELDS – Freshmen Academic Coach

Mr. Scott Fields is in his 7th year as Academic Coach and teaches biology and chairs the science department at Central Dauphin High School. He is a 1994 graduate of Hempfield Area High School (Greensburg, PA). He earned his Bachelor of Science degrees in Biology and in Secondary Education from Penn State University in 1999 and his Master of Education degree in Teaching and Curriculum from Penn State Harrisburg in 2005. While attending University Park, Mr. Fields was a four-year member of the Penn State Blue Band. He continues to play the saxophone in two groups—One More Time and the Lower Paxton Variety Band. Mr. Fields served on the CD marching band staff from 1999 to 2012. He is glad to have another opportunity to work with students outside the traditional classroom environment and to help uphold the high standards of scholarship, citizenship, and sportsmanship for which Central Dauphin athletes have become known.