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Soon your child will be starting the process for choosing courses for next year. We invite you to an informational evening for PARENTS so that you can understand how to support your child through this important process.

Course Selection - Parent Information Night January 29, 2020 (snow date: January 30) 7:00 p.m. Fairfield Ludlowe High School Auditorium

Students will be hearing the same message in a separate assembly during school time, so they do not need to attend. We find that it is helpful for parents to be informed and knowledgeable about the expectations and requirements of the courses the students will be requesting, as well as have an opportunity to ask questions. The following resources are available to students and parents to help inform this process: student information assemblies; consultation/recommendations from teachers, counselors, and administrators; a comprehensive Program of Studies available online; and a website with course syllabi, sample tasks, and exemplary student work examples.

Topics of the evening presentation include:

- The course selection process with timelines
- Understanding appropriate choices of leveled courses (College Prep, Honors, AP)
- Brief overview of core and elective courses
- Review of the Change-of-Program Policy

It is critical that students make informed choices. We base our decisions about the courses we will offer on the specific requests that students make in February. Once we allocate resources, we have limited flexibility in changing schedules. Therefore, it is critical for students to make a strong commitment to the courses they request. Our goal for this evening is to assist you in making informed decisions.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of January 29 at 7:00 p.m.

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