FAIRFIELD LUDLOWE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians of 8th grade students and future FLHS Falcons:

We are excited to meet all our future students and their parents, and look forward to working with you to ensure a successful transition to high school. This letter outlines some of the resources available prior to registering for courses in Grade 9 at FLHS.

Please join us for an in-person "8th Grade Night"

Wednesday, February 9, 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. (approx.)

The evening will include a 30-minute presentation on the high school structure (the house system), curriculum, the course selection process, graduation requirements, as well as an optional tour of elective area classrooms.

Due to social distancing requirements, we are requesting that <u>one parent</u> accompany the 8th grader if possible and all attendees must be wearing a mask.

Prior to February 9, we ask that students and parents preview a website that showcases our elective programs. You can access that website here. See what elective areas you may have interest in exploring. On 8th grade night, we encourage you to take tours of any of the elective classrooms you are interested in seeing.

Here is the schedule for the night.

Families with last names A-M:

6:30 p.m.- Report to the auditorium for a 30 min presentation. Then report to the cafeteria for tours of the elective areas.

Families with last names N-Z:

6:30 p.m. – Report to the cafeteria for optional elective tours. Then at 7:15 p.m. report to the auditorium for a 30 minute presentation.

MORE RESOURCES FOR YOU:

FLHS Grade 9 Program of Studies

Students will soon receive a copy of the *Grade 9 Program of Studies* from their 8th grade school counselor. This is the best resource for you to review course information and requirements. Students should look at the <u>elective options</u> available in preparation for the 8th Grade Night and the high school counselor visit. The *Grade 9 Program of Studies* is available for you to review on the school website at https://flhs.fairfieldschools.org/academics. Other resources are available on this page.

Core Course Recommendations

Students and parents will be able to view 8th grade teacher recommendations for core classes (English, Math, Social Studies, Science, and World Language) on Infinite Campus on/around the week of February 14th.

Elective Choice Input

The Fairfield Ludlowe High School and middle school counselors will assist students in entering their elective choices directly into Infinite Campus during the school day.

FLHS Counselors will be visiting on

February 22-23 at Roger Ludlowe MS and Tomlinson MS and February 24-25 at Fairfield Woods MS.

Parents and students should use the Program of Studies and the directions/planning worksheet sent home by the middle school administrators to select electives and determine the total number of credits desired <u>in advance</u> of the above dates.

Additionally, parents will have the opportunity to review and revise selected courses after these dates and prior to Final Course Verification Forms being sent home for signatures.

We are here to help and are pleased to be making the journey with you during this exciting transition in your child's life. We look forward to seeing you **on February 9**th **at 6:30 p.m.**

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