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Dear Wildcat Families,

Course selection for the 2025-2026 school year has begun. As you know, the district determines which classes will be offered next year, as well as the number of sections of each course, based upon student course requests. Therefore, it is critical that your child enroll in the necessary graduation requirements, as well as electives that interest them when they register this fall. Graduation requirements, course load options, and restrictions on schedule changes are listed here; please review this with your student before finalizing their course requests. If you are interested in learning more about the new courses for next year, such as **Construction**, **Intro to Healthcare**, **IT Fundamentals**, and **Piano**, click here.

Another factor that impacts course placement, the Accelerated Placement Act (<u>Public Act 100-0421</u>), requires Illinois public schools to *automatically enroll* students in "<u>the next most rigorous level of advanced coursework</u> if the student meets or exceeds state standards in English language arts (ELA), mathematics, or science on the state assessment." WCCHS students who met or exceeded state standards on their most recent PSAT or SAT during the 2023-2024 school year will be placed into enriched, honors, or AP courses in English, math, science, and/or social studies for the 2025-2026 school year.

Current Grade	Reading and Writing (ERW)	Math
11th	460	510
10th	430	480
9th	410	450

Counselors will inform students if their scores have resulted in acceleration in one or more core courses for next year. Families will also be informed if their student has been accelerated in English, math, social studies, or science. If a family would like to **OPT** their student **OUT** of one of the accelerated courses, the parent or guardian must complete an opt out form by **December 20, 2024,** which will be provided by the student's counselor. Students may NOT opt out on their own. The student's parent or guardian on record must do so.

If you believe that your student should be enrolled in an enriched, honors, AP course and does not meet the criteria above, you are encouraged to contact your student's counselor and current teacher in that subject area. D94 strives for students to challenge themselves academically when informed of the course expectations and schedule change limitations.

If you have questions about course registration, please contact your child's counselor. For questions about registration procedures, course change restrictions, etc., email or call the Counseling Division Head, Dawn Erickson, at derickson@d94.org or (630) 876-6306. Please speak with me if you have questions regarding the Acceleration Act. Thank you for supporting your Wildcat through this important process.

Sincerely,

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