

**SW MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**Change of 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Placement Request**

Every student at Syosset High School should have the opportunity to establish clear goals and excel academically and socially. We offer a range of academic pathways and course options to ensure proper placement for everyone. As such, course selection is an important part of the high school experience.

Careful consideration of course choices allows students to grow and achieve while maintaining a healthy balance of academic demands and overall well-being. Teachers make course recommendations based on their understanding of our programs, and the skills, strengths, and abilities of each student, which is why it is best to follow teacher recommendations.

*If you would still like to request a change of placement, the following steps must be followed:*

1. Review teacher's placement recommendation.
2. Student/Parent or Guardian speaks with the guidance counselor to review the following implications of a change of placement:
  - a. Students choosing a more rigorous course may need additional support (extra help, NHS peer tutoring (based on availability), and parental support).
  - b. Students enrolled in an AP course must sit for the AP exam and make a committed effort to pass the exam.
3. Student/Parent or guardian completes this form and returns it to the Guidance Office.

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Recommended Course	Student or Parent/Guardian Preferred Course

I understand the information described at the top of this form and have participated in a conference with the guidance counselor regarding my child's recommended course placement. I understand why the course recommendation was made; however, I still wish to have my child placed in the preferred course(s) listed on this form, and I am willing to provide the academic and emotional support my child may need while participating in this course.

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Return this form to the Guidance Office by January 23, 2026.**

<b>FOR OFFICE USE</b>	
Change made by Guidance on ____/____/____	Guidance staff initial ____