January 15, 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian and Students:

Parents and students in grades 8 through 11 are invited to Downingtown High School East Campus on Thursday, January 24, 2019 for our Course Selection Night from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. This program will provide information about courses for next year. Students and parents will be given the opportunity to speak with administrators, teachers, and counselors about the course selection process.

There will be an informational presentation, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium, for parents and students who are new to the scheduling process. You and your child will have the opportunity to hear administrators and counselors discuss the selection process that students complete in order to schedule courses. The High School Program of Study, with complete course selection information, is available for you to review on the Downingtown High School East Campus website at http://www.dasd.org/dhse under the “Quick Links” section (located under the picture on the left side). If you do not have access to the Internet and/or would like to receive a hard copy of this information, please contact our counseling office. The evening will be more productive if you become familiar with the High School Program of Study prior to attending this program.

Those already familiar with the course selection process and graduation requirements, may visit the cafeteria to speak with representatives of all curricular departments and counselors. During this time you will be able to discuss the academic programs and receive answers to your individual questions.

In addition, to help 8th graders make an effective transition from Lionville Middle School to Downingtown East, the high school counselors will be meeting with all 8th grade students on Wednesday, January 23rd. They will describe the high school academic program, and review the course selection process. Shortly after these presentations, counselors will distribute course selection materials to 8th graders.

All course selections for next year will be completed on-line through the Parent Portal using the student login. This portal may be accessed by the students on the East Homepage by selecting the Parent Portal icon at the top of the page on the right or going to http://www.dasd.org/hac. Please be reminded that the students will login to the Home Access Center (HAC) using their network username and password. If they are still unable to login to the HAC: 1) Email: servicedesk@dasd.org or 2) call the main office 610-363-6400 ext. 5502 and 8th grade parents/students should call the Lionville Middle School main office 610-524-6300 ext. 2516 if needing additional help. All students must complete this on-line process between February 4, 2019 and February 11, 2019. Counselors will meet with students after this time period to discuss their course selections. Middle School counselors will be working with the 8th grade students to complete the scheduling process.

We look forward to hosting you on this very informative evening as we begin the scheduling process for the 2019-2020 school year. If you have questions, please feel free to call the counseling office at 610-363-6400, ext. 5516 or ext. 5517.

Sincerely,

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Important Dates

January 23rd................................................................. High School Counselors visit LMS 8th grade students
January 24th ....................... Course selection meeting for 8th, 9th, 10th, & 11th grade students & parents: 6:30 p.m.
January 24th thru January 30th ........ Course Selection forms given to current 9th, 10th, & 11th grade students
January 25th thru February 1st ........................................ Teacher Recommendation Day for Course Selection
February 4th thru February 11th ........................................ Students may begin on-line course selection
February 11th ........................................................................ Final date for on-line selection
March 8th ......................................................... Final date for students to make schedule changes through their counselors