



## THE EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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### **IMPORTANT:** **2023-2024 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Selection Procedures**

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

It is time to begin thinking and planning for your eighth-grade student(s) to make their transition into ninth grade at Ewing High School! We are looking forward to working with you and your child. Each year we begin this transition by having our EHS counselors deliver presentations on course scheduling before you and your child select elective courses for the ninth-grade year. Every student will have the opportunity to attend a live presentation from the EHS Counseling Team. After the presentation, please review available courses (descriptions and prerequisites) in the EHS 2023-2024 catalog online and submit course requests on the *9<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Selection Sheet*. An optional scheduling conference with a counselor will also be available in mid-February. All scheduling forms and resources will be distributed to your student after the presentation.

#### **Steps for Accessing the Course Catalog**

- From the Fisher webpage, scroll down to the Site Shortcuts (left side of the screen) and click on the FMS Guidance Department
- On the FMS Counseling Department page click on the link for the EHS Course Catalog

**Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Scheduling Presentations** – EHS Counselors will join eighth-grade students for an assembly on January 5, 2023 with a presentation on course scheduling:

During this presentation, counselors will discuss: different course options, how to access the EHS Course Catalog, review the grading system/graduation requirements, as well as the course selection process and requirements for placement in academic levels.

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade Elective Course Selection Form** – Please submit to your child's homeroom teacher no later than Friday, January 13, 2023.

This form will be sent home with your child after the counselor presentations. Please review the form and the online course catalog with your child to select elective courses and alternatives. Course Selection Form requires a parent signature and should be returned to their homeroom teacher no later than January 13, 2023.

#### **Parent Event – January 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM**

EHS Counselors will provide an introduction to high school course options for eighth-grade parents. The event will be held at FMS in the Auditorium.

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### **Individual Scheduling Conferences – January 17<sup>th</sup> through January 20<sup>th</sup>**

Beginning January 17<sup>th</sup> through January 20<sup>th</sup>, EHS counselors will be available for a 10-minute appointment with any student to review their elective course choices and discuss their anticipated core course placements, based on Semester 1 grades. Students will be scheduled for an appointment upon returning their course selection sheet. Students must submit the Course Selection Form prior to their scheduled conference date so that counselors can review them ahead of time.

### **A Few Scheduling Notes for 9<sup>th</sup> Graders**

All EHS ninth grade students will take a course in Math (Algebra I or Geometry), English, World History, Science, and Physical Education/Health. We also recommend that the required one year of World Language be taken in ninth grade. The academic levels of these courses will be determined via eighth grade final grades.

Please note that students with IEPs may have elective choices changed in collaboration with your child's *Child Study Team* at the annual review meeting.

Counselor appointments occurring January 17<sup>th</sup> through January 20<sup>th</sup> are a first opportunity for counselors to meet one-on-one with each student. These conferences are limited to 10 minutes so counselors can meet with every student who wishes to discuss their course options. If a secondary conference is needed, parents may call the EHS Counseling Office at 609-538-9800 x2111 in June 2023, to schedule an appointment after the counselors have met with all grade levels for the initial scheduling conference.

The counseling department will work on student schedules for all grades for the 2023-2024 school year throughout the spring and early summer. Students will be able to view and print their student schedule through Genesis in late August 2023. If you have questions regarding scheduling details, please contact the EHS Counseling Office at 609-538-9800 x2111. We look forward to welcoming your child to EHS in September!

Sincerely,

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