



# CARLISLE HIGH SCHOOL

## CHS Course Selection

In preparation for the 2021-2022 school year - CHS (*9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students*), along with the middle schools (*current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students*) are beginning the Course Selection Process. This process will look much different this year verses years past. With the inability of hosting large group presentations and forums to present Course Selection Information, we wanted to provide families with a brief update in terms of the process being utilized for this school year. With the Class of 2021 departing CHS in the next few months (*best of luck to our seniors*), we welcome the current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to CHS – the Class of 2025(*hard to believe*).

## Course Selection Process and Key Information

### What's Happening or Already Has Happened:

#### Lamberton / Wilson

- This past week counselors in the middle schools visited 8<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms to discuss key pieces to the Course Selection Process
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students are receiving hard copies of the Educational Planning Guide (*most “A” students have received, “B” students will receive the next time they are in the building*) – the planning guide is also available online to view
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students received a packet of information highlighting key dates about the process, course listings, and printed instructions of how to enter selected courses into PowerSchool (*located online – Student Informational Packet*)

#### Carlisle High School

- High School students are receiving student informational packets highlighting key dates, course listings, and instructions to enter courses (*“A” students received on Tuesday, February 16 / “B” students will receive the next time they are physically in the building – they were scheduled to receive on February 19<sup>th</sup>*)
- High School students have viewed or will view a short video that highlights key pieces to the Course Selection process, during Period 7 or a Bison Block (*video will also be available online*)

### Next Steps for Students and Families: (*all items are available online to view*)

- Review the PDF – **Student Informational Packet** - which includes important information in terms of a timeline for submitting course selection information, course listings, and instructions for entering courses into PowerSchool
  - **Students may start uploading course selections on February 22<sup>nd</sup>**
- Read through / browse the Educational Planning Guide
- Access the Course Selection Information on the district website and filter through the different tabs and watch the informational videos as needed
  - Videos may be specific to current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, all students, and/or upperclassman at CHS

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**Accessing Course Selection Information via the Carlisle School District Website (*two ways below*):**

- Visit – [www.carlisleschools.org](http://www.carlisleschools.org) then click on the CHS Course Selection Banner (*see image below*)



- Visit – [www.carlisleschools.org/CourseSelection](http://www.carlisleschools.org/CourseSelection) - which will also take you to the course selection page

### **Notes:**

- We are asking students to have courses selected and uploaded into PowerSchool by **Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**. (*Counselors and Administration will help to remind student of this important task*)
- Questions or concerns – please visit the Contact Tab (*on the Course Selection Page*) and reach out to the appropriate counselor for additional guidance
- Teachers have made recommendations for students that suggest the next level of courses they should take for next school year (*course recommendations can be viewed when entering courses into PowerSchool*)
  - Not all course selections require teacher recommendations
  - Also, pay particular attention to pre-requisite information
- CHS will do the best they can to schedule students for the courses they select. It is important students include viable course alternates to help ensure they receive courses which may peak their interest
- Once students enter and submit their course selections - can students and families make changes? ***Yes, all changes will need to be made by Monday, June 21, 2021***
  - To make a change please reach out to the appropriate school counselor for assistance

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read and view the needed information to help your student make appropriate course selections. We also want to thank the CHS Department Chairs and Staff members who created the different informational videos (*your welcome to reach out to these individuals as well, with questions about courses or programs*).

As always please reach out to CHS Principals or School Counselors for additional assistance if needed!

Take Care,

Michael Black  
CHS - Principal

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