

CARLISLE HIGH SCHOOL

CHS Course Selection

In preparation for the **2024-2025** school year, CHS students $(9^{th}/10^{th}/11^{th} \text{ grade})$ and current 8^{th} grade middle school students are about to begin the Course Selection Process. Included below are details about Course Selection and what will be happening in the coming weeks. We are excited to welcome our current 8^{th} grade students to CHS next year, the Class of 2028!

Course Selection Process and Key Information

Lamberton / Wilson Middle Schools

- Current 8th grade students will learn about the course selection process and how to enter courses through PowerSchool. Information will be provided by their Middle School Counselors.
- Several representatives from CHS will also present information to current 8th grade students during an assembly and tour of CHS on the following dates:
 - o Wilson January 31
 - Lamberton February 6

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- CHS students will be attending grade-level Course Selection meetings during Bison Block.
 - 11th Grade February 1
 - 10th Grade February 5
 - 9th Grade Students will be broken up into four separate groups (based on last name) for their assembly. They will attend a presentation and then will be shown step by step on their laptop how to access the course selection portal and choose their courses.
 - February 7 Abakar Espada
 - February 9 Etter Lovasz
 - February 13 Maggiore Royal
 - February 15 Rsheidat Zara
- High School students will receive a packet of information highlighting a timeline of important tasks, CHS course listings and printed step by step instructions on how to select courses for next school year (2024-2025).

Next Steps for Students and Families

- Parents may attend a Parent Course Selection Presentation at Carlisle High School
 - February 6, 2024 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm McGowan Auditorium
 - Intended audience parents of current 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th grade students
 - This year, after the general presentation, there will be a time of optional breakout sessions to give more specific course overviews. The schedule of the breakout sessions will be provided in the next communication.
- Parents and Students can access the Course Selection Information on the CHS website.
 Information will become available to view on <u>Thursday</u>, February 1st. The website includes:
 - CHS Educational Planning Guide listing all course opportunities and descriptions



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- Course Videos made by course instructors and detailing information about certain courses
 - Videos may be specific to <u>current 8th grade students</u>, <u>all students</u>, and/or <u>upperclassman at CHS</u>
- \circ Student and Parent documents that will be available at all Course Selection presentations
- AP/Honors contract must be completed by any student who wants to take an AP or Honors course

Accessing Course Selection Information on the CASD Website

**The Course Selection webpage will be available February 1st.

- Visit <u>www.carlisleschools.org</u>
 - Select a school (top left of the main screen)
 - Choose Carlisle High School
 - $\circ~$ Click on the Course Selection Banner on the left side $\rightarrow~$ OR



 Visit – <u>www.carlisleschools.org/CourseSelection</u> - which will also take you to the course selection page

<u>Important Notes</u>

- Student Course Selection opens on Monday, February 12th.
 - The online Course Selection will be open for <u>two weeks</u>, from February $12^{th} 26^{th}$.
- Teachers are currently making recommendations for students which suggest the next level of courses they should take for next school year (course recommendations can be viewed when students are entering courses into PowerSchool).
 - Not all course selections require teacher recommendations.
 - \circ $\;$ Pay particular attention to prerequisite information.
- CHS will do the best they can to schedule students for their selected courses. Because there are many variables with the scheduling process, it is very important for students to include <u>practical</u> <u>course alternates</u> 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 <u>Friday, June 14, 2024</u>.
 - To make a change, please reach out to the appropriate school counselor for assistance.
- Questions or concerns please visit the Contact Information link (found on the Course Selection webpage see information above to access) and reach out to the appropriate counselor for additional guidance.

As always, please reach out to CHS Principals or School Counselors (high school / middle school) for additional assistance if needed!

Take Care, Patricia D. Buffington CHS - Principal