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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

We are in the process of preparing for course registration for the 2019-2020 school year. As such, our school counselors will begin meeting with students during the month of February and March to educate them about the course selection process and assist with their course selections for the next school year.

Our faculty carefully considers student course recommendations prior to our students selecting courses for the following school year. By January 18th, teachers will have made student course recommendations for parents/students to view in Parent Portal. Parents and students can use the “module” on the Parent Portal welcome screen titled *Course Requests* to view course recommendations teachers have made for the 2019-2020 school year. These recommendations are important because they serve as a guide in the course selection process. After viewing teacher recommendations, parents and/or students may enter their own course selections for the upcoming school year.

Our counselors will then review course selections with each student during individual academic advisement meetings. During these meetings, graduation requirements will be considered along with prior course history, and the student’s interest. Once course selections have been reviewed with a counselor, student’s course selections will be recorded and sent home for one last review prior to being finalized. The last day that parents and students may submit changes to course requests is **May 31, 2019**. We encourage parents and students to consider course selections so that students can be enrolled into the courses they want and need for graduation purposes. Course selections should be based on the student’s interest, past performance in the subject area, career goals, and teacher recommendations.

Our hope is that parents and students will take the time to discuss course options for next year and enter your choices in the Course Requests module. Parents and students may enter course requests from January 19th until January 30th at 1:00 pm. After this time, you will not be able to adjust courses in Parent Portal.

We look forward to working with you as you prepare for the 2019-2020 academic school year. Please do not hesitate to contact your student’s counselor at 703.365.6500 if you have any questions about the course selection process.

Respectfully,

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Director of School Counseling