



### LEADING THE WAY

The Central Bucks Schools will provide all students with the academic and problem-solving skills essential for personal development, responsible citizenship, and life-long learning.

January 15, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Academic recommendations have been made by your child's teachers. If there are questions about the reasons for a particular course recommendation, please contact your student's 9<sup>th</sup> grade teacher in that subject area. The teacher will be the best person to explain the criteria for placement and the reason for his or her decision. If you still have questions *after* you have spoken to the teacher, contact your student's counselor.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Selection Request Sheet provided in this packet lists all academic and elective courses offerings for sophomores. Sample worksheets and a Helpful Hints sheet are also included for you to use as a reference. Students are to use the academic recommendations in the Student Portal to complete the 10<sup>th</sup> grade program planning worksheet, also included. Once all required courses are filled in, the remaining blocks can be used for electives of your student's choice.

Between the dates of **January 16<sup>th</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, students will use the Student Portal to review their teacher's academic recommendations and to enter their chosen electives and the alternate elective choices for the coming school year. Directions to add elective courses into the Student Portal are included in this packet. During the elective selection timeframe, school counselors will be available during 9<sup>th</sup> grade lunch to assist students and answer any questions regarding course selection. CB South Counselors will also do a Q&A on 1/30 during I&E to answer student questions. It is important that students are thoughtful in their choices because once course requests are entered and confirmed via Course Request Verification in March, **they cannot be changed unless dictated by academic performance**.

*\*\*Please note that changes made to academic level placement must receive teacher approval. Any level change made by a student/parent via the student portal that have not been approved by the current course teacher, will be reverted back to the original teacher recommendation.*

For information about the high school courses offerings, please refer to the Program of Studies booklet which was provided to your student during I&E on January 7<sup>th</sup>. An electronic version is also linked in this email. The Program of Studies booklet contains all high school course offerings with detailed descriptions, prerequisites, and credit value information.

During the weeks following this student entry period, counselors will review each student's course requests. If any changes are made, those changes will be reflected on the Course Request Verification which will be posted to the Parent Portal on March 7<sup>th</sup> for students/parents review and approval. Parent verification is due by March 12<sup>th</sup>. This will be the last opportunity to request changes to any course requests. Directions to verify courses will be sent out closer to the window.

Our hope is that each step in this process will be helpful to you and your child in planning an appropriate program for next year. If you have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the Student Services.

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