## Scheduling Instructions - Course Catalog 2014-15

Although your long range plans change as you learn more about yourself, a helpful preparation for your registration process includes the following steps:

1. Write out your long-term goals.
2. List all the colleges and universities to which you might like to apply.
3. There are four different college/university systems available to Notre Dame students:

- The University of California
- California State University
- Private colleges or out of state public universities
- Community colleges

When you are choosing your courses and planning your high school program, it is important to be aware of the admission requirements of each of the college or university systems. Each system may have:

- An examination requirement (SAT/ACT/SATII)
- A scholarship requirement (GPA)
- A subject requirement

4. If the admission requirements of the colleges on your list vary, choose the one with the most rigorous requirements as the guide for the courses you choose to take.
5. Review the four year plan that you developed with your counselor.
6. As you read the course descriptions carefully, check prerequisites.
7. Guided by the graduation requirements and your goals, plan your course of studies for the year.

Completing your online scheduling form:

1. Course selection will take place on-line through PowerSchool.

- Log in at http://ps.ndsj.org using your student login and password.
- Click on the Class Rgistration button
- Click on the pencil icon to display your course options for each subject area. There is information available for each course regarding pre-requisites, the number of choices to make, etc.

2. In the course request process for some subjects, students will have the opportunity to choose a first-choice and alternate course. As much as possible, these requests will be honored; however, in some cases another course may be inserted into the student's schedule due to the constraints of the schedule and when sections are actually offered. An appropriate alternative for fulfillment of the particular graduation requirement will be offered.
3. All students are required to take 6 classes each semester. A seventh class may be taken if the student has at least a 3.2 GPA for the semester prior to scheduling.
4. The online course selection process will identify pre-populate with any Honors or AP courses you have been approved to take.
5. When an alternative course is necessary, you will be prompted to indicate an alternative.
6. Review your program with your mentor.
7. After making your final selections, print out your course selections, have your parents sign the printout and return to your mentor by the deadline.
