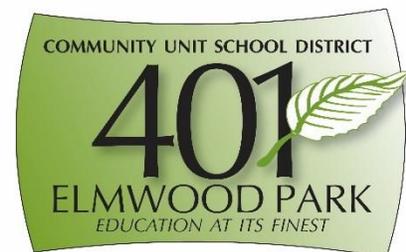


Elmwood Park C.U.S.D. #401



Elmwood Park High School

January 8, 2018

To the families of the Elmwood Park High School Graduating Class of 2022,

Let me be one of the first to welcome you and your child to Elmwood Park High School! We are excited to help initiate your child's high school career and look forward to building an excellent partnership with you. Together we can ensure that your son or daughter has the tools to achieve academically, to thrive in experiences outside the classroom, and to be well positioned to accomplish his or her goals after graduation.

One of the first steps on the high school journey is to ensure every student is appropriately placed in academic and elective classes that meet the student's abilities, goals, and interests. To accomplish this, our counseling team works closely with the leaders and teachers in both Elm Middle School and Elmwood Park High School to make placement decisions for each individual student in the class of 2022. The attached information will describe the steps of course recommendations and registration, and will provide you with the information you need to be an integral part of the process to choose your son or daughter's freshman year courses.

During the week of January 22, the counselors from Elmwood Park High School will conduct group meetings with the eighth grade students at Elm Middle School to discuss the course recommendation process and the elective course options that students may choose from for their freshman year. On January 25, at 6:30pm, parents of current 8th grade students are invited to an information night at Elmwood Park High School to hear about our schedule, the core course placement process, and our elective course offerings. We hope you will join us that evening for the presentation. In addition, administrators and counselors will be on hand to take your questions.

Please note that if your child has an IEP or qualifies for the ELL program, he/she is welcome to participate in the registration process described above, but his/her course recommendations will be finalized by the IEP team at a transition meeting in January or February, and/or by the ELL program specialists in conjunction with the family.

Finally, enclosed you will find several items pertaining to course registration. The back of this letter provides the timeline for our registration process for families whose child currently attends Elm Middle School. The second sheet is a copy of what your students will receive at their meeting with the counselors, on which their course selections will be recorded. On the back, is a list of all elective courses available to our freshman students, including a brief description of each class. The full Program of Studies Guide and an electronic copy of these materials can be found on the EPHS website at www.epcusd401.org/ephs/academics/course-registration.

Again, we are excited to begin the high school journey with your son or daughter! We hope to meet you personally on January 25, at 6:30pm in the EPHS Auditorium where you will hear more about our offerings and answers to any questions you may have. Thank you for joining with us to ensure a great four years at Elmwood Park High School.

Best regards,

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