



SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Spring-Ford Area High School | 9th Grade Center
400 South Lewis Road, Royersford, PA 19468

Administration

Dr. Kelly Di Pietro-Edwards
Principal

Mr. Gavin Lawler
House Principal

January 10, 2024

Dear Eighth Grade Parent:

Your child is about to embark on the next stage of their education at the high school level. This step brings a new array of exciting challenges and milestones.

The course selection process for the 2024-2025 school year will begin in late January. The goal of course selection is to facilitate appropriate placement in courses. Many factors are involved in course selection decisions. Students and parents should consider the various levels, such as academic and honors, and the workload associated with these levels. While we want students to be academically challenged, we also want a balance between rigor, student interest and ability, and cognizant of the time students spend in extra-curricular activities.

9th Grade Course Selection:
Thursday – January 18, 2024
7:00 -- 8:00 PM
Virtually via Zoom

A link to access the Zoom meeting will be available in the next communication

Please review the 2024-2025 [Course Selection Book](#), [google slides presentation](#), and [informational video](#) to familiarize yourself with the process and course offerings for 9th grade. Our course selection evening will be an overview of the scheduling process and an opportunity to ask general questions regarding courses. Our long-term goal is to help ensure appropriate placement in courses which will ultimately ease students' transition to high school.

We hope that you will be able to join us. If questions arise, please feel free to contact administration or your child's 8th grade school counselor. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly Di Pietro-Edwards".

Kelly Di Pietro-Edwards, Ed.D.



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Course Selection Timeline

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| January 11 | Course Selection Orientation to all 8 th Graders. |
| January 11 | Overview Video and Google Presentation sent to Families. |
| January 18 | 8 th Grade Parent Course Selection Night - 7:00 PM – Virtual Via Zoom. |
| January 24 | Teachers begin discussions with students about course options and enter recommendations in Skyward. Students will begin to enter Elective courses in Skyward. |
| February 1 | Teachers input course recommendations in Skyward completed. Students submit course selection forms to Homeroom Teachers. |
| Feb 5–Mar 1 | Counselor meetings with students. Override window begins. Counselors review Skyward reports (credits, complete overrides, recommendation reports, etc.) |
| March 4-8 | Course change and overrides paperwork due to 8 th Grade School Counselors. |
| March 24 | Course Verifications begin in Skyward. Students and parents will be required to verify courses selected for the 2024-2025 school year. Course verifications should be completed by parents and students by March 27. |
| June 21 | Last day for students to initiate any changes to their course selection for the 2024-2025 school year. All changes must be submitted to your student's 9 th Grade Counselor. Please note that courses will not be changed after June 21 and schedules will not be changed. |