

## *From Your Ridgecrest Counselors*

Spring is a busy season preparing for the next school year. Parents and students alike have a lot of questions about student schedules, course offerings, teacher recommendations, when to expect paperwork and the like. To make this process a bit simpler for you, below is a breakdown of what to expect in the coming weeks.

Currently, your child's teachers are in the process of making recommendations for your child's classes for next year. 7<sup>th</sup> grade recommendations include Math and, if appropriate, Foreign Language; 8<sup>th</sup> grade recommendations include Math, Language Arts, Science, and, if appropriate, Foreign Language; and 9<sup>th</sup> grade recommendations include Math, English, Biology, and, if appropriate, Foreign Language. Teachers uphold your child's best interest in mind when making academic recommendations. Recommendations will be sent home with your child on the reverse side of their scheduling sheet this month. Should you have any questions or concerns about their course recommendations, please contact Ms. Shulman or your child's teacher directly.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ms. Shulman will be making scheduling presentations to all 6<sup>th</sup> grade Science classes on Monday, March 17. Scheduling sheets will be handed to your child on that day. Your child is expected to bring home their scheduling sheet to review their teacher recommendations with you and select elective courses for their 7<sup>th</sup> grade year. Students are expected to return their scheduling sheets to their Science teacher by Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ms. Shulman will be making scheduling presentations to all 7<sup>th</sup> grade Science classes on Thursday, March 13. Scheduling sheets will be handed to your child on that day. Your child is expected to bring home their scheduling sheet to review their teacher recommendations with you and select elective courses for their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. Students are expected to return their scheduling sheets to their Science teacher by Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ms. Shulman will be making scheduling presentations to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science classes on Monday, March 31. At that time, a letter which includes teacher recommendations for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students going onto high school will be mailed home. On Thursday, April 10, high school counselors from both PVPHS and PVHS will be presenting High School Orientation in all 8<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies classes. Students will receive their Educational Planning Guide, High School Course Handbook, and freshman year scheduling sheets. Counselors will return on Tuesday, April 22 to conduct scheduling with each 8<sup>th</sup> grader for their freshman year classes. It is imperative that 8<sup>th</sup> graders have their scheduling sheets completed prior to this date. Both of these visits are wonderful opportunities for students to interact with their future counselor. If you have any questions, please direct these to Ms. Shulman.

The spring scheduling process is a busy but exciting time as we prepare our students for the next step in their educational career. We hope this month's feature helps you better understand and support your student during this time.

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