December 2023

Dear Families of the Class of 2028,

We are looking forward to welcoming the Class of 2028 to New Trier High School. We hope your students are getting excited for their freshman year of high school and the upcoming transition events in 2024.

We are pleased to inform you that the Class of 2028 will be part of our expanded course selection process. As part of this township-wide program, each family will have an opportunity to meet with a New Trier representative to choose their student's classes for the 2024-2025 school year. We believe these optional meetings will help families make the most informed curriculum choices for their student. Your school principal will send you information to sign up for these conferences in January. <u>All conference sign up</u> <u>questions must be directed to your student's current school.</u>

Families are invited to come to New Trier for our Academic Life Night and All About Electives programs in January. These are unique occasions to come to the Northfield Campus and learn about the many curricular options at New Trier. In early February, New Trier will mail home test scores and placement recommendations. You will then have time to discuss classes and make preliminary decisions with your student before meeting with a New Trier counselor. Please consider not only your student's academic interests, but also their extracurricular commitments when choosing classes.

Course selection conferences will take place between **February** 7th **and February 21st**. *The list of dates for each school is listed below with other important dates in the course selection process.*

Please note: If your student has an IEP, your 15-minute course selection meeting will take place with your *specific New Trier Articulator*. You will receive a separate email explaining sign up for these meetings.

Our hope is that these conferences will alleviate the pressure that often comes with choosing classes for freshman year. Our counselors will be there to answer your questions and help ensure that your student's transition to New Trier is a smooth one. Please keep in mind that these course selection conferences are completely optional. We recognize that many township families have been through this process before and do not need to consult with a New Trier counselor. All families will need to log into Power School in February and choose their student's classes even if they do not attend a course selection conference. The deadline for submitting your student's courses is Friday, February 23rd at 3:00 p.m.

As a reminder, PowerSchool enrollment is due December 22nd. You will not receive placement materials in February if you have not completed PowerSchool enrollment for New Trier. If you have questions about enrollment, please contact PowerSchoolSupport@nths.net.

If you have further questions, please contact Lori Worth at worthl@nths.net. We are very enthusiastic about these conferences and we hope you will agree that it provides an ideal chance for New Trier to help our incoming families.

Thank you.

Gail Gamrath Assistant Principal Lori Worth Transition Coordinator

New Trier Course Selection: Important Dates

January 11th and January 17th:

Academic Life nights at New Trier explaining academic opportunities for incoming freshmen.

January 31st:

All About Electives night at New Trier

Mid-January:

Sign-up for 15-minute course selection conferences *through township sender schools*. **IEP students will** receive separate meeting sign-up information.

Early February:

Placement test scores and recommendations sent to families via U.S. mail. Explanation of freshman courses enclosed. Course selection helpline opens.

February 7th -February 21st:

Parents and students attend optional 15-minute conferences at their sender school with a New Trier counselor faculty member.

• Wednesday, February 7th: Washburne

• Thursday, February 8th: Central School and Sears

Monday, February 12th: Sunset Ridge

Tuesday, February 13th: WJHS
Wednesday, February 14th: WJHS

Thursday, February 15th: Marie Murphy
Wednesday, February 21st: Private Schools

Friday, February 23rd 3:00 pm

Deadline for Class of 2028 families to enter courses in PowerSchool for the 2024-2025 school year.