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Sachem Central School District

Samoset Middle School

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

During the beginning of the 2nd marking quarter, Samoset's Guidance Department will begin the process of programming your child for 9th grade classes. There is some important information we would like to bring to your attention regarding this process.

Hopefully you and your child had the opportunity to attend Curriculum Night held at Sachem North on November 7th to learn about the course offerings at the high school level. If you did not have the opportunity to attend and self-select elective classes in eschool, videos of the [courses available](#) within each department have been provided on Sachem North's website.

All 8th graders now have access to view a virtual copy of Sachem's High School Guidance Handbook, as well as a student copy of the programming folder which lists all available 9th grade courses. This information is available on the [Samoset Guidance webpage](#) as well as on your child's School Counseling Google Classroom. A slide show presentation has also been provided by Mr. Baumiller to assist you with this process via Google Classroom. Please be sure to discuss the programming information, especially the elective options, with your child at home.

Concluding December 6th, your child's teachers recommended academic and performing music courses for next year. Beginning December 14th, Samoset's School Counselors will be visiting Social Studies classes to sit with your child individually to review those core courses recommendations, in addition to finalizing student electives, to fulfill the 9-period day.

Course verifications will be posted on the Parent Portal in the spring of 2023 where you will be able to view your child's courses for 9th grade. Please keep in mind that all recommendations are tentative pending the results of your child's performance in June. If you have any additional questions about the programming process for your child, please contact the Guidance Office at (631) 471-1700 ext 3.

Sincerely,
James Horan
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