

# FAIRFIELD LUDLOWE HIGH SCHOOL

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Soon your child will be starting the process for choosing courses for next year. We have an important informational evening for PARENTS so that you can understand the importance of this process and how you can support your children.

**Course Selection Information Night**  
**January 25, 2017**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Fairfield Ludlowe High School – Larsen Auditorium**

Students will be hearing this same message in a school assembly, but we find that it's critical for parents to be informed and knowledgeable about the expectations and requirements of the courses the students will be requesting, as well as have an opportunity to ask questions. In addition to this evening presentation, we will be providing students and families with a number of resources, including: student assemblies in late January; conversations with teachers, counselors, and administrators; a comprehensive Program of Studies book; and a website with course syllabi, sample tasks, and exemplary student work examples.

Topics of the evening presentation include:

- The entire course selection process with timelines
- The differences between Advanced Placement, Honors, and College Preparatory courses
- Brief overview of core curriculum areas
- Information regarding Advanced Placement courses
- Review of the Change-of-Program Policy
- Impact of the new schedule

It is critical that students make informed choices. We base our decisions about the courses and the number of sections we will offer on the specific requests the students make in February. Once resources are allocated, we have very limited flexibility in changing schedules, so it is critical for students to make a strong commitment to courses they request. This is why we want to provide as many resources as possible to make informed decisions.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of January 25 at 7:00 p.m.

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