

November 15, 2013

Dear AMS Eighth Grade Students and Families:

The following is a list of upcoming transition activities for incoming freshmen. Please visit <http://www.d300.org/freshmen> for detailed information about transitioning to high school or contact AMS counselors Janet.Morales-Ory@d300.org (A-L) or Britt.Kotecki@d300.org (M-Z) for general questions about this process.

Elective Assembly

On **November 21st** Dundee-Crown High School representatives will come to AMS during 8th grade PE/health and exploratory classes to present information about elective programming options for next year.

High School EXPLORE Night

On **December 2nd** Dundee Crown High School will host students and parents starting at 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM. EXPLORE test results will be distributed at this event. See the attached flyer for details. In addition, AMS counselors will go over the EXPLORE results with students at school the same day to familiarize them with the results.

Elective Request Entry in IC Student Portal

On **December 9th** students at AMS will be entering their elective requests in Infinite Campus Student Portal during their social studies class. It is important that students discuss their choices with parents prior to this date. Please visit <http://www.d300.org/freshmen> under “Related Documents” for a list of courses that freshmen may choose from.

HS Counselor Visit

On **January 14th** Dundee-Crown High School counselors will sit down one-on-one with your student to review their elective requests, placement recommendations, and answer any questions they may have.

Placement Recommendations

Eighth grade core teachers will make placement recommendations prior to winter break. These recommendations are sent to the high school prior to the counselor visit on January 14th. Students will receive a copy of these recommendations and elective choices at school during the week of **January 20th**. Parents that have concerns about their child’s placement recommendation may contact the high school division head in the subject area in question to request a change during that week.

In addition to the AMS Counseling Staff, please feel free to direct questions to Tom Rodman, Dundee-Crown High School Freshmen Academy Coordinator @ thomas.rodman@d300.org or (224) 484-5065.

Regards,

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