

October 26, 2021

Dear Parent /Guardian,

We have started the high school registration process with your 8th grade child and want to keep you informed on the activities associated with this transition. We value your input and support as we help prepare your child for their next four years. Please keep these dates and activities in mind: There are links to more information highlighted in this letter. Just hit control and click your mouse over any highlighted part to get more information.

October, 2021

This month Students were shown a virtual lesson introducing them to Career Technical Education classes ([CTE](#)) and also [West-MEC](#) program opportunities during their AP time. This information exposed students to potential career paths and gave them options for electives when choosing high school courses. There is [Career Expo](#) October 28th at the district office for students and parents interested in learning more about CTE programs.

November, 2021

On November 4th students will be registering for high school courses in their first hour class. Counselors from Mountain Ridge and Sandra Day O’Conner will be available via Zoom to answer any questions and assist in the process. There will also be a video presentation showing how to register in powerschool. Here is a copy of the [video](#) and a link to the [Academic Planning Guide](#) to learn more about the classes offered. Prior to the day of registration, we will be sending home a green freshman course request card to help students see their class options ahead of time. We will collect their course cards the day of registration to give to the high school counselors. Please look over their choices and sign their cards on November 3rd. After the day of registration, students may follow the steps in the video to make changes to their class selections through the month of December.

ATTENTION: If your child is planning on attending a different DVUSD high school then their home school, an [Open Enrollment](#) form submitted on-line. You will be notified via e-mail in January if the placement has been approved. If your child lives out of the DVUSD boundaries we will register them at MRHS since that is the closest home campus to Hillcrest. However students outside of the DVUSD boundary will be dropped prior to school starting if an open enrollment application is not filled out or accepted.

[“Future Freshman Night”](#) will be held at all of our high schools on different dates in the month of November. We strongly encourage students to attend with their parent/guardian(s).

This is an exciting time for you and your middle school child and we will do our best to help you through this process. To further assist you in this, our district has developed a [Future Freshman](#) web site.

If you have any questions please contact me: (623) 376-3319 or renea.herold@dvusd.org.

Sincerely,

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