

# 9th Grade Schedule Advisory

This document is for 8th grade teachers that are guiding students through selecting their elective courses for their 9th grade year.

## Step 1 -

Explain to students that when they move to high school, their core subjects of Math, English, Social Studies, Science, and Health/Physical Education will already be added to their schedules, but they get to pick quite a few of their classes and that we want them to pick courses they are truly interested in.

## Step 2 -

Make sure the students have a PAPER copy of the course selection GUIDE.

## Step 3 -

Make sure students have access to the Welcome to SASHS Elective Guide.

I recommend posting this to Google Classroom or your typical learning platform:

[https://www.canva.com/design/DAG97b\\_1N1c/FHD7Bbc1aGRcclj-W7kd\\_Q/edit?utm\\_content=DAG97b\\_1N1c&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=sharebutton](https://www.canva.com/design/DAG97b_1N1c/FHD7Bbc1aGRcclj-W7kd_Q/edit?utm_content=DAG97b_1N1c&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)

## Step 4 -

Encourage the students to consider what they might want to be when they grow up.

For example,

- ★ If they want to be an engineer, they may select more credits in the technology education options.
- ★ If they want to be a teacher, social worker, counselor, or culinary, they may select Family Consumer Science.
- ★ If they are interested in being a mechanic, they may select more courses in agriculture.
- ★ If they are interested in music, they may choose more courses under that category.

## Step 5 -

Start working through the main “buckets” of graduation requirement electives with them. It is important to remember that they need to ensure they have 8 total credits for the school year. Therefore, if they already have 5.5 credits chosen for them, they need to select 2.5 credits worth.

Additionally, they will want to pick alternates.

- ★ Practical Arts - Agriculture, Business, or Family Consumer Science - NEW REQUIREMENT 1 credit before they graduate, this can be two half credits.
- ★ Humanities - Art, Music, or World Languages - NEW REQUIREMENT 1 credit before they graduate, this can be two half credits.
- ★ Technology Education - 0.5 credit before they graduate.
- ★ Choice Electives in Physical Education & English

Have them highlight or circle their first choice in electives. Then put a star next to the alternative electives.

## Step 6 -

Have them tuck this sheet somewhere for safe keeping so they can reference it when the high school counselors come over to help them input their elective choices.