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## Sachem Central School District

Seneca Middle School

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

**During the week of January 6th**, Seneca's guidance department will visit English classes to begin the process of programming your child for 9th grade. There is some important information we would like to bring to your attention regarding this process.

You and your child are invited to attend Curriculum Night held at Sachem North on January 9th at 7pm or January 16th at Sachem East at 7pm to learn about the course offerings at the high school your child will attend. If you do not have the opportunity to attend, videos of the courses available within each department have been provided on the high school websites for your review.

All 8th graders will have access to view a virtual copy of Sachem's High School Guidance Handbook, as well as a printed student copy of the 9th grade handbook and programming folder which lists all available 9th grade courses. This information is available on your child's Guidance Google Classroom. A slide show presentation has also been provided by the counseling department to assist you with this process via the 8th Grade Guidance Google Classroom. Please be sure to discuss the programming information, especially the elective options, with your child at home.

Your child's teachers have recommended academic and performing music courses for next year. Beginning the week of January 21st, Mrs. Dunseith will be visiting social studies classes to review those core course recommendations and finalize student electives to fulfill the day.

Course verifications will be posted on the Parent Portal in the spring of 2025 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) 471-1850 ext.1.

Sincerely, Gemma M. Salvia Principal

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