

Good Afternoon,

I trust that everyone had a wonderful break AND ready to begin Semester 2 of the 23-24 school year. This week students will have the opportunity to begin thinking about and planning their courses for the 24-25 school year. We look forward to seeing students tomorrow and starting the second half of the school year!

Dr. Holder

**Learning Schedule for the Week:**

Monday: Blue Block Day

Tuesday: Silver Block Day

Wednesday: Blue Block Day-**CLASSES BEGIN AT 8:20**

Thursday: Silver Block Day

Friday: Blue Block Day

**Seniors on Shortened Day Schedule:**

If you are a senior on a shortened day schedule who does not arrive to school until later in the day, please enter through the Main Entrance of the school. We will unlock the door to enter when the block dismissal bell rings. We ask that you wait outside until we unlock the doors. If you are a senior who starts the day at school and then leaves early, you do NOT need to sign out in the front office. You are welcome to leave when your day is finished.

**Counseling Message:**

**2nd Semester Schedule Change Requests**

Second semester schedule change requests will be open on 1/10 and 1/11. The Schedule Change Request Form and the list of open classes will be available after 2:00 PM on 1/9 located on the Counseling Website. Students must submit their request to change BEFORE SCHOOL on 1/10 and 1/11, and students are required to attend their classes on 1/8 and 1/9.

**24-25 Course Selection - IMPORTANT DATES!**

Students will start the 24-25 Course Selection process this week! Please take a look at the dates below, and all of the course selection information is located on the Counseling website, <https://www.usd232.org/domain/3647>, under the "Course Selection Information 2024-2025" tab. Please spend some time with your student viewing all of the information under this tab. There are also videos regarding the dual enrollment, Honors/AP class information, and the Course Selection video your student will be viewing on Friday. Students have until 2/21 to complete their information.

- **1/12/24** - Students will view the Course Selection Video during Seminar.
- **1/16/24** - Course Selection Forms will open on the Counseling Website
- **1/16 & 1/17** - Counselors will meet with sophomores during Seminar for Course Selection follow-up.
- **1/18 & 1/19** - Counselors will meet with freshmen during Seminar for Course Selection follow-up.
- **1/22, 1/26, 2/12, 2/13** - Counselors will be available for Q&A in the Media Center during Seminar.
- **2/21/24** - Course Selection forms and applications are due! Links are located on the Counseling website.

**Congratulations:**

Congratulations to the Silver Stars Dance Team for placing first in the pom category at the regional DTA dance competition this weekend. Congrats to Trinity Baker for placing first in the solo competition.

**Looking Ahead:**

Monday, January 15-No school for students or staff- MLK Day

February 14 and 15-Parent Teacher Conferences

February 15 and 16-No school for students

March 11-15-Spring Break

March 18-PD day for teachers. No school for students

March 19- First day of fourth quarter.

April 18-PD day for teachers. No school for students.

April 19-No school for students or teachers.

May 18-2024 Graduation Day for Seniors