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Mrs. Robynn Considine, Director of Secondary Education

Dear Parents/Guardians:

A very important and exciting step in the transition from Middle School to High School is the course selection process. The 2022-23 scheduling season is upon us and preparations are being made to ensure our students are placed in appropriate courses for the next school year. The course selection process includes decisions that should be carefully made to best prepare our students for their post-secondary education or career. We understand that course selection can be overwhelming and requires collaboration between students, parents, counselors and teachers.

With this in mind, we direct you to our website (Students - Curriculum - Curriculum Night) to view our **Curriculum Night Presentation from November 16, 2021**. This presentation includes an overview of required courses and graduation requirements, information on new classes, and highlights our programs/elective offerings.

A full timeline for completing appropriate 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Student schedules is as follows:

- By January 28<sup>th</sup> – LinkIt! Benchmark Testing administered at each sending school
- February 18<sup>th</sup> – Honors Testing at each sending school\*
- Mid-March- Scheduling Meetings at sending school\*\*
- March 14 (Somerdale), March 16 (Magnolia), March 23-24 (Yellin), March 25 (Choice, Out-of-District)
- June 7<sup>th</sup> – New Student Orientation for students and families

***Honors Testing*** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students will have an opportunity to test into Biology Honors, English I Honors, and World History Honors. Placement for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade will be determined by a combination of indicators, including LinkIt! Benchmark Scores, Course Grades, Honors Test results, and Teacher Recommendations.

*(\*) February 18th testing for in-district students at each sending school; out-of-district and choice students should contact Mrs. Considine at [rconsidine@sterling.k12.nj.us](mailto:rconsidine@sterling.k12.nj.us) by February 11, 2022 to register for Honors testing.*

*(\*\*) March 25<sup>th</sup> schedule meetings for out-of-district and choice students. Please contact Mrs. Dever at [edevery@sterling.k12.nj.us](mailto:edevery@sterling.k12.nj.us) to schedule.*

We hope that you take advantage of this opportunity to work together in building the best possible program for your student. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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