



VICTOR J. ANDREW HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Class of 2025,

Andrew High School is looking forward to welcoming your student next school year! As you may know, District 230 has administered the PSAT 8/9 in the late fall to all incoming students as a guide for placement to freshman core courses. Due to restrictions associated with COVID-19, and our priority to safety, we will not be administering the PSAT 8/9 this year to incoming freshman students.

Historically, the PSAT 8/9 was one indicator used to assist with placement of students into their freshman courses. This year we will focus on the other indicators used to assist with placement, including:

- Continued Coordination with partner schools
 - Ensuring a strong understanding of courses and programs offered.
 - Recommendations from 8th grade teachers.
- Student's grades - current and previous
- Family input
 - student reflection of academic progress and ability
 - waivers and summer programs may be available for advancement in classes should that be necessary.

November/December 2020

- Andrew's Leadership Team members will collaborate with Partner School principals and teachers to solicit 8th grade teacher course recommendations, student course grades, and engage in conversations related to student course recommendations.

December 2020/January 2021

- Andrew Division Chairs will review 8th grade teacher recommendations and student course grades to make initial course recommendations.
- Course placement for students with an IEP will be decided on at the student's 8th grade annual review IEP meeting

January 2021

- Initial placement recommendations will be shared with Class of 2025 students and families. Students and families are encouraged to review course information to analyze initial course recommendations. Students and families are encouraged to contact Division Chairs with any questions regarding recommendations or course offerings.

February 2021: Class of 2025 Pre-Registration Day

- Students and families complete the initial course registration process with support from guidance staff. Division Chairs will be available for registration questions and course waiver requests.

We are confident that in working with you, your student, and your student's partner school, a successful freshman schedule will be developed.

You will be receiving more information regarding the transition to high school in the coming days.
Welcome Class of 2025!

Sincerely,
Abir Othman
Associate Principal