

The mission of the Three Village Central School District, in concert with its families and community, is to provide an educational environment which will enable each student to achieve a high level of academic proficiency and to become a well-rounded individual who is an involved, responsible citizen.

March 2023

Dear 8th Grade Student Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

We will soon begin the course scheduling process for grade 8 students moving to grade 9. We ask that you kindly review the 2023-2024 Program of Studies for each junior high school. These can be found on each building's website and include core (required) and elective course descriptions. A course verification letter for your child's ninth grade academic program will be made available via the parent portal in the spring indicating placement in core academic classes, elective requests and support classes, if required. Please see the below link for the program of studies:

Paul J. Gelinas JHS Program of Studies 2023-2024

Robert Cushman Murphy JHS Program of Studies 2023-2024

This year, with the support of the guidance staff, students will log into their Infinite Campus student portal account to input elective course requests. Counselors will be meeting with all 8th graders during the week of February 27 to explain this process and discuss course offerings available to them as 9th graders next year. Students will be instructed to input all elective course requests into the Infinite Campus portal no later than <u>Tuesday, March 7</u>.

Please note that your child's current teachers use careful judgment when making course recommendations for future core courses. However, should you disagree with any recommendation, please contact the current classroom teacher to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the teacher's final recommendation in June, you may pursue an appeal, which requires a written request be submitted to the building principal for administrative review and determination of course placement. Please note that most 9th graders are scheduled each semester for seven classes plus physical education and lunch.

In addition, selected electives may have to be dropped when students require placement in Academic Intervention Services (AIS), English as a New Language (ENL), and/or Special Education support. These services may be removed when the student satisfies district or state testing standards and/or meets specific learning or academic criteria.

Thank you for your support with this process. We encourage you to review the guidance websites for each junior high school to review the scheduling process.

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Robert Cushman Murphy JHS Guidance Website

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Should you have questions about your child's program for next year, please contact his/her junior high school guidance counselor.

Sincerely,

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