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Hello 8th Grade Students and Families,

Happy New Year! We are already planning for next year and this process starts with helping 8th grade students pick their courses for high school.

We know that your current teachers and middle school counselors know you best, and they will be a great resource for questions. We have already met with counselors from your school to share information about our process, which is a bit different due to our current Distance Learning setting.

We have put together some resources to help you forecast. Please start by going to the [Franklin Forecasting Webpage](#). You will notice that in addition to the [Course Guide](#) and information on the landing page, **there is a separate page specifically for our Incoming 9th Graders** (look for a link on the left-hand column). Please bookmark it in your browser or make a copy in your Google Drive so you can find it again easily; it should provide all the information you need.

Resources that are available online are:

1. Forecasting Presentation in [video](#) and [slideshow](#) formats from our counseling team.
2. A link to the [Rising 9th Grade Forecasting Google Form](#) where you will make your course selections.
3. A link to the [Franklin 2021-22 Course Guide](#).
4. A link to our [Discover Franklin](#) website with videos about our courses offerings and programs.

The most important thing in this process is to complete the Forecasting Google Form. Staff at Franklin will use this information to enter your course requests for next year into Synergy. **This is the only way that FHS staff will know your class selections for 9th grade.**

**Please complete the Google Forecasting Form by February 5th.**

We look forward to welcoming you to the Franklin community and hope that we've made this process as easy as possible.

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Julie Rierson, Vice-Principal  
Franklin High School