


# Planning your Future: *Welcome Class of 2020*

## It's Never too Early




**Dear NBISD 8th Grader,**  
 Welcome to the Elective Fair! I know the school year has just begun, but we are asking you to begin the process of planning for high school and beyond. Don't worry! There are a lot of people here to help you. Ask lots of questions – the experts are here tonight. This is an opportunity to know what's offered at NBHS and how to tailor your four-year plan to meet your interests, needs, and goals. Our goal as educators is to ensure all students have opportunities to determine their interests and strengths and then to take that information to guide them into post-secondary opportunities for continued education and training.



The very best jobs available now require education and training beyond a high school diploma. Whether you intend to pursue an industry workforce credential from a community or technical college or a traditional four-year degree from a university, the choices made in high school will determine your future options. Your school counselor will review the Foundation High School Program and the Endorsements to decide your future academic path.

There will be plenty of decisions to make during this school year, but tonight we want you to think about electives and endorsements. During your counselor meeting this year, you will be asked to select the endorsement that best fits your area of personal interest and the major you plan to study in college. Walk around and talk to teachers about the endorsement areas offered at NBHS.

Endorsements





NBHS courses that make up the endorsements:

- Career & Technical Education courses
- ROTC
- Choir
- Band
- Art
- Theatre Arts
- Dance
- Foreign Language
- Advanced Placement, Dual Credit, and much more.


*Elective Fair – October 5, 2015 ↑*

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If you haven't done it already, your school counselor will be making sure your career inventory in Career Cruising is updated and will be acquainting you with the course planner (this is where your four-year plan will be developed and stored).



Make sure you and your parent schedule a meeting with your school counselor to draft a personal graduation plan and choose an endorsement. Remember what you learned at the elective fair.



A student entering 9th grade must indicate an endorsement he or she plans to follow. A student may change or add an endorsement at any time. For more information, link to the ORMS or NBMS websites.




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# Notes

