

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Trumbull Grade 8 Student:

Half a year from now, your son/daughter will participate in an important transition: his/her transition from middle school to high school. That transition is partly social, partly emotional, and partly academic, and we stand ready in the Trumbull Public Schools to support each of those aspects.

This letter is designed to call your attention to key elements of the academic transition to Trumbull High School. We are proud to offer a comprehensive and diverse program of study at THS; our firm goal is to support each student in the most appropriately rigorous course of study for grade 9 based on reliable and valid placement criteria, and in selecting preferred electives based on his/her interests and future desires.

All incoming Trumbull High grade 9 students and their parents are invited to a presentation on Tuesday, February 18, at 7:00 pm in the THS Auditorium. At that time, we will present information related to THS graduation requirements, course placement in subjects with multiple levels, information on electives across all subject areas, and the *2020-21 THS Program of Studies*.

We encourage you and your child to attend the February 18 presentation. However, if you are unable to attend, your child will receive all relevant information and materials from his/her grade 8 school counselor in the days following February 18. In addition, for further information on the grade 9 course placement process, please visit the "Teaching & Learning / Criteria for Special Placement" section of the TPS website:
<https://www.trumbullps.org/techlearn/criteria-for-special-placement.html>.

Please feel free to contact any of us with any questions you may have; we look forward to seeing you on February 18!

Sincerely,



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