

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

We hope everyone had some time to relax and enjoy time with family over winter break. With the start of the New Year it is also time to begin planning for the 2025-2026 school year. We are so excited to welcome our rising 7th grade students!

Please take some time to explore all the classes Lake Braddock Secondary School has to offer your incoming middle school student by accessing our [LBMS Curriculum Fair Google Site](#). Please note that you will need an **@fcpschools.net** email address (student account) to access this site. The LBMS Curriculum Fair Google Site houses information on all the courses that we offer at Lake Braddock. This site, in addition to our Online Course Catalog, Rising 7th Grade Curriculum Night and counselor programs, will be used to help all our students and families identify courses for the upcoming school year. In the Home section of the site, please be sure to check out the LBMS Curriculum Fair slidedeck for an overview of the site and the class registration process. Padlets are attached to each content area for your questions about courses. In addition, all Academic Advising materials are available on the [MS Academic Advising](#) page of the Lake Braddock Secondary School website.

Academic Advising

The first opportunity to learn more about Lake Braddock and course selection will be at the Rising 7th Grade Curriculum Night on January 13th from 6:30-8:15 pm. Middle school counselors will also present to rising 7th grade students to provide introductory information about Lake Braddock and course offerings - either in-person at the elementary school or virtually for smaller feeder schools. Course selection sheets will be provided to each student for course discussion with parents.

Later in January, elementary school counselors will meet with students to enter courses online in SIS and review the courses they selected. Course selection sheets will be collected by the elementary counselor at that time. Parents will be able to view the courses students have entered after academic advising using their ParentVue account. [CLICK HERE](#) if you need help accessing your ParentVue account.

The schedule for these events can be found on our [Academic Advising Timeline Flyer](#).

During this time of academic advising please remember that school-life balance is an important consideration as students strive for academic and personal success. Course selection is a collaborative process; students will need to seek the advice of their parents, teachers and school counselor to plan appropriately for the upcoming year in order to ensure success.

As shared previously, for general questions about courses use the padlets at the bottom of each department page on the Curriculum Fair Site. For specific questions about a course placement for next year, please consult with the current teacher in that subject area at your student's school. We look forward to working with you to design an educational plan that will meet the needs of your student.

Sincerely,
Melissa Staab
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