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Dear Parent or Guardian:

The QVHS team is looking forward to working with students to create schedules for the 2019-20 school year. The purpose of this letter is to communicate the timeline for the scheduling process. Similar to current and prior years, we will be using the college-style scheduling system known as *arena scheduling*.

The tentative timeline for the registration and scheduling process is as follows:

January 22nd - February 4th	Registration window open in PowerSchool. Counselors visit classrooms to discuss course options with students. Students register for courses for the 2019-20 school year.
March 18th - March 24th	Spring Break
March 29th - April 10th	Master Schedule posted online. Counselors visit classrooms to assist students in creating multiple versions of their schedules.
April 15th - April 17th	Arena Scheduling <ul style="list-style-type: none">• April 15th: Current 11th (Singletons, Band, Strings, RR)• April 16th: Current 10th (Singletons, Band, Strings, RR)• April 17th: Current 9th (Singletons, Band, Strings, RR)
April 18th - April 22nd	Mid-Spring Recess
May/June	Team Review Meetings as needed to discuss course placement changes with student, parent, counselor, and teacher.

Course Selection

At the end of January, the School Counselors will work with students in class to review graduation requirements and the course offerings for 2019-20. **Students are encouraged to think about their priorities and their co-curricular, athletic and community commitments so they can select a course load that is balanced and allows for family, social and personal time.** Students should talk with their teachers, counselors, and parents about the courses that are best suited to meet their needs.

Course Registration

Once students have made their course selections, they will register for the classes in PowerSchool. Teachers and counselors will review student selections and discuss concerns with students as necessary. Once registration is complete, students wishing to make changes to their course requests must see the appropriate counselor. **Course registration does not determine the final schedule for students.** Registration allows administrators to determine the demand for courses in order to plan and create the master schedule for the upcoming school year. **Parents may login to PowerSchool to view their student's course requests. Simply select *class registration* along the top of the page and then click *view course requests*.**

Master Schedule

By March 29th, the Master Schedule and Program of Studies (Course Description Booklet) will be posted on the high school's website. Counselors will work with students to review the master schedule and create draft schedules. **Parents are strongly encouraged to aid in the construction of their student's schedule.**

Arena Scheduling

During the week of April 15th, students will come to the HS auditorium to make their final course selections and create their own schedules for the coming year. Counselors, teachers, and administrators will be on hand to assist. Students will leave the auditorium with **tentative final schedules**. The majority of students' schedules will be final by the end of arena scheduling; however, some students' schedules may have to be adjusted.

We look forward to implementing arena scheduling for the 2019-20 school year.

Sincerely,

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