## Welcome back to school!

Welcome back to school! We hope you had a wonderful summer and are excited to see you soon! Here are some frequently asked questions about schedule changes:

### Schedule Change Requests - FAQs for Sonoma Valley High School Families

# I received my schedule at Back to School Registration and need to request a schedule change. Help!

- To request a schedule change, please submit the Schedule Change Request Google Form (sent to all students via email)
- Please include your phone number and email address in case we need to contact you
- Please follow your original schedule until you receive a new schedule or hear from your counselor. Counselors are working to process requests as quickly as possible.
- Please know that most classes are full, and possible changes may be limited

\*Requests will not be accepted via email or phone.

#### I already submitted a schedule change request form. Now what?

- Counselors are processing requests as quickly as possible
- If you have already submitted a request, please continue attending your original classes until you hear from your counselor.
- Counselors will be working on schedule change requests during the first three weeks of school, and sometimes they will need to wait to see if a space opens up to accommodate your request. If your request cannot be fulfilled, your counselor will contact you.

#### What is the timeline for schedule changes?

- Students may submit the schedule change request form during the first week of school. The deadline to submit a request is **August 26th at 3:30 pm**.
- Counselors will continue working on requests received by the deadline during the third week of school

\*No requests will be accepted after the deadline.

#### What is the policy for dropping AP/Honors courses?

- If you selected AP or Honors courses when you selected your classes in the spring, you and your parents signed AP/Honors contracts, committing to completing the summer assignment and to remain in the class for the full year.
- Our master schedule was built based on student requests. This means that there is no extra space in the college preparatory class that you are now requesting.
- Unless there are extenuating circumstances, students who commit to taking AP or Honors courses will need to remain in that class.

\*Not completing the summer assignment is not considered an extenuating circumstance.

#### What does it mean that a class is full? What is a singleton?

- In order to support quality instruction and student learning, classes have a class size maximum. If a class is full, that means that it contains the maximum number of students allowed and that additional students cannot be added to the class.
- Please do not ask teachers whether they can make extra space in a class. Please note that some classes are offered every period while other classes may only be offered once or twice, due to enrollment requests and staffing availability.

#### Additional Information

- Counselors will make every effort to accommodate appropriate requests. Please know that due to master schedule and/or contract restraints, we may not be able to make all requested changes.
- No schedule changes will be made for teacher requests, change of period, or to take a course at a specific time of day.

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