

April 14, 2010

Dear Students and Families,

Today you are being sent a **Program of Studies and Course Selection Form** for the 2010-2011 school year. Please read the **Program of Studies** carefully because some courses and requirements have changed. If your child will be entering Grades 7 or 8, no course selections are necessary since the courses are pre-selected. **The deadline for submission of the Course Selection Form is Friday, April 30, 2010.**

Through the winter months, the faculty and administration have worked to define what constitutes a ***Fishers Island School Education***. Our school provides students with a firm foundation in core academic content, capitalizes on individual student's strengths and capabilities, and fosters responsible citizenship. A revised **Program of Studies** reflects a prescriptive curriculum for Grades 7 and 8, and elective opportunities for students in Grades 9 through 12. The curriculum addresses the skills and habits students need for success in higher education and in the work place.

We encourage all students to meet with teachers and the guidance counselor, Mr. Amaral, to ensure that they are enrolling in the necessary courses. The Program of Studies and Course Selection Form include the New York state graduation requirements and course lists for next year.

We build the school schedule and assign faculty based on the information we receive from students during the course selection process. Please know that we cannot always schedule all the courses that students select. We are a small school with a limited number of faculty positions, students and classrooms. However, we will do our best to accommodate the needs and interests of our students and their families.

Thank you for your understanding and prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Charles E. Meyers  
Superintendent/Principal

Gil Amaral  
Director of Guidance