



February 18, 2026

Dear 8th Grade Parents

This time of year brings excitement about the transition from eighth grade to ninth grade. To aid in the transition process, please join us for the Ninth Grade Parent Curriculum/Registration Night, **Wednesday, February 25, 2026**. The presentation will be offered at **6:00 pm**.

On February 18th, the counselors will visit the middle schools and talk with eighth graders about high school-academics, activities, credits, summer class options, and policies. At that time, each student will receive a registration sheet outlining courses offered to prospective ninth graders and specific course recommendations. Recommendations are based upon input from high school administration, counselors, test scores, and grades.

On Wednesday, February 25th, parents and their students are invited to Elkhorn High School for a brief program that will include information on high school curriculum and registration for the freshman year. Parents are asked to bring the recommendation sheet given to their student during the counselor visit to the middle school **and** the completed summer school form that was sent to parent email accounts (if student is interested in taking optional summer classes). Families of eighth graders will meet in the **auditorium at 6:00 pm**. This informational night is designed to answer common questions 8th grade parents have about curriculum offerings and sequencing. Topics covered include graduation requirements, course offerings for freshmen, how to choose appropriate electives, summer classes, and FAQs from 8th grade parents.

We look forward to meeting you Wednesday, February 25th for Ninth Grade Parent Night (music starts at 5:40 pm). Attendance is critical for getting your student registered for high school. Please make every effort to attend. Please call the Counseling Center at Elkhorn High School if you have any questions (402-289-4239 ext 2).

Respectfully,
Elkhorn High School Administrators and Counselors

NOTE: February 25th is the only scheduled registration night.

- If a parent cannot attend with a student, the student is welcome to come with a sibling or another family member. Please have the registration sheet completed for the student to turn in.
- **If a parent or student cannot attend, return a completed registration sheet to Elkhorn Middle School's counseling office by February 25th or email to your child's counselor listed below.**

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Interested in Elkhorn music offerings? Please join us for a "Taste of Music" prior to the presentation. Jazz band or choir will be performing from 5:40-6:00.