

**DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**  
**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**



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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

On Wednesday, January 10, students in grades 9 through 11 will participate in grade level presentations regarding course requirements and electives for the 2024-2025 school year with their counselors. At that time, students will receive a subject selection form as well as a guide sheet to assist them with this process. We encourage you to spend time discussing the various course options on the form with your child.

Your child's subject selection form, with teacher approval signatures for select Honors, Advanced Placement (AP), and Dual Enrollment, and other courses, is due for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students on either **Wednesday, January 17**, or **Thursday, January 18**, in their English class. For 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students, the form is due on **Wednesday, January 17**, in their design program class. The form must also be reviewed and signed by a parent/guardian.

When considering advanced classes, please keep in mind that DASH encourages eligible students from all backgrounds to experience the benefits of taking Advanced Placement (AP) courses and exams. Students who take AP courses can potentially earn college credit, boost their GPA, and stand out to colleges. For more information, please visit [apstudents.collegeboard.org](http://apstudents.collegeboard.org).

Should you and/or your child have any questions about our course offerings, please email or call the respective counselor:

**Ms. Michele Molina** – Counselor for students whose last names begin with A – L

**Dr. Carlos Insignares** – Counselor for students whose last names begin with M – Z

Please work with your child to choose courses carefully. The master schedule for the school and teacher assignments for the 2024-2025 school year are developed using the courses selected by students during the subject selection process.

At the start of the 2024-2025 school year, schedule changes may be made on a case-by-case basis but are not guaranteed. Please note that under no circumstances will design program changes be honored after the first semester of a student's 10<sup>th</sup> grade year (i.e., a student can request a design program change only within the first two nine weeks in grade 10).

Parents play a vital role in the success of students at DASH. Thank you in advance for working with us to help ensure that success.

Respectfully,

**Dr. Maggie Rodriguez**  
Principal