

Dear Snow Canyon Students and Parents,

We are so excited for the upcoming school year and are looking forward to having students back on the SCHS campus! This letter contains a great deal of very important information so even though it is lengthy, please read through it all. It will answer a lot of questions you may have about the students' schedules.

Which brings us to some exciting news! We are implementing a new program that enables students and their parents to make their own class schedule changes **online** for **free**. This program is called Class Choice and you will have access to it the last week of July. Each grade level gets access on a specific date (Seniors July 27, Juniors July 29, and Sophomores July 31). Once your grade level is given access on the dates mentioned above, you will be able to login anytime from the comfort of your own home and make changes to your class schedule up until 3:00 pm on Wednesday, August 5. No more hours and hours of sitting in line to make class changes with your counselors or paying a class change fee! Isn't that the best news ever?! We ask that you try and make your class changes before you go in to pay your school fees online or in person. That will ensure that you are paying fees for the correct classes.

The program is super simple to use and very user friendly. Please CAREFULLY review the instructions which we have provided in written and video form. Be aware that your class schedule currently showing in Powerschool is not necessarily your schedule. The most up to date and correct schedule is in the Class Choice program, but Class Choice will sync back to powerschool after August 5 and you can view your correct schedule on powerschool from there on out, as you are used to.

## **CLASS CHOICE AND SCHEDULING**

**Make sure to look at your schedule in Class Choice.** Even if you don't want to make class schedule changes, please login and check the following:

1. Make sure you have a full schedule and add classes in if you have any holes. Most students got what they requested, but if two classes conflicted and an alternate could not be used either, there will be a hole in the schedule. We want to let you choose what you fill the hole with, rather than choosing a class for you that you don't want. If you are a Senior, you may add the class called "Home Release" for your free periods as long as you don't schedule it 2nd period by itself, and as long as you have enough classes to earn enough elective credits to graduate. Check your transcript on powerschool to see how many credits you still have left to earn. A semester class earns 0.5 credits and a full year class earns 1.0 credit.
2. Make sure you have all the required core classes for your grade level on your schedule.
  - **Sophomores:** LA 10, Math 2, Science, World Civ, and Fit for Life
  - **Juniors:** LA 11, Math 3/Math of Personal Finance, Science, Health, US History, Fin Lit (you can choose to take this senior year instead if you'd like)

- **Seniors:** LA 12, Government and any other graduation requirements you may be missing. There is a graduation checker on Class Choice, however it doesn't pick up on all the codes at our school and may not be 100% accurate. Check your transcript against the graduation requirements found at <https://www.snowcanyoncounseling.org/graduation.html>. Your counselor will also double check and go over your grad. progress with you at your Senior CCR in September.

The SCHS Master Schedule was built and classes were filled based on the requests the students made during registration earlier this year. Therefore, many classes are already at capacity and cannot be overfilled. Keep that in mind as you are looking at making changes. If a class is full, neither students or counselors will be able to add students to that class. Only classes that a student can actually enroll in will show up as options. If the class is full, pre-requisites have not been met, or the student is not eligible to take the class for other reasons, the class will not show up on the list of class options for that period.

## **MATH AND LANGUAGE ARTS LABS POLICY CHANGE**

Another change we have made for the upcoming year is that our Math and Language Arts labs are for students in greatest need of extra time, resources, and intervention in these subject areas. These students were identified based on several items of data and placed in Math and LA labs. Therefore, even though you may have requested a Math or LA lab, you may not be assigned to one. Students who were placed in a Math or LA lab will not be able to drop these labs without teacher approval or written parent request, and students who want to get in will not be able to without a teacher referral. For our Concurrent Enrollment/AP labs, only students who have a CE or AP class will be able to enroll.. For Science labs, any student who registered may take these labs.

## **TAKING ONLINE CLASSES**

Online Core Courses are available by request in the following content areas:

LA 10, LA 11, LA 12, Math II, Math III, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Health, World Civ, US History, US Government, PE, and Financial Literacy.

These courses are taught by some of the best teachers in our school district and will provide you with the same knowledge and rigor you would receive in an in-person class. Please schedule yourself in the class called "Home Release" for all periods in which you would like to be at home working on your courses online, then fill out the form linked below and tell us which courses you want to enroll in. Your counselor will enroll you in the online course and you will see it on your PowerSchool schedule before school starts. Keep in mind that you can only be home for one period per online class you enroll in and you cannot schedule home release classes for 2nd period unless you also have 1st OR 3rd at home as well.

[Click this link to request to enroll in online classes](#)

## **TAKING CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT AT DSU OR DIXIE TECH**

If you have enrolled in concurrent enrollment classes taught on the DSU campus (this registration already took place during the spring), you will schedule yourself in the class called “College Release” **then email your counselor and let him/her know which classes you are taking at the DSU campus**. If you are not sure if you have CE classes AT THE DSU campus, or if you want to see if there is still availability to take classes at DSU. please contact the DSU Concurrent Enrollment office. Find their contact info here: <https://concurrent.dixie.edu/> If you have enrolled at Dixie Tech, please schedule yourself in the class called “College Vocational” during the times you are taking classes at Dixie Tech and **email your counselor to let them know what program you have been admitted to**. If you are not currently accepted and enrolled at Dixie Tech but are interested, please contact them to determine availability. [www.dixietech.edu](http://www.dixietech.edu). Please do not schedule yourself in College Release or College Vocational unless you have already taken the steps to get accepted and enrolled. Some students have these classes on their schedule already, due to the nature of how Powerschool scheduling works. Just change those classes to something else if you are not taking concurrent enrollment at DSU or Dixie Tech.

## **FINAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Please see the attached written instruction sheet, instructional video, and master schedule to help you figure out how to review and make changes to your class schedule. Please read everything thoroughly before attempting to make your schedule changes. When class choice goes live for your grade level, once you drop a class, you lose your slot and risk someone else snatching it right up even if you change your mind. Please make sure you take the time to write your schedule out on paper before you ever make any changes so that you can ensure that everything works. As stated above, the majority of classes are at capacity so there isn't much room for movement.

If, after CAREFUL review of both the [Class Choice Written Instructions](#) and [Class Choice Video Instructions](#) provided, you are still unable to navigate the Class Choice program, there will be chromebooks set up in the SCHS commons area on August 4th and 5th and some volunteers to help you navigate the program. Volunteers will not be able to help you figure out the scheduling itself, they will only be helping with how to use the Class Choice program. We can only accommodate about 50 people in the commons area due to Covid-19 regulations so please only come with one student and/or parent for help at your **assigned** time listed below, and only if you have already tried unsuccessfully to navigate the system on your own. We know this is not ideal but due to the current public health situation we are trying as much as we can to keep everyone safe. With that in mind, if you choose to come, please wear a mask and practice social distancing.

	8:00--9:00 am	9:00--10:00 am	10:00--11:00 am	11:00 am--12:00 pm
Tuesday, Aug 4	Last Name A,E,J,U	Last Name B,F,K	Last Name C,D,V	Last Name G,L,N
Wednesday, Aug 5	Last Name H,P	Last Name I,M,O,Q	Last Name R,W	Last Name S,T,Y,Z

If you have special circumstances, questions, or concerns please reach out to your assigned counselor via e-mail. Counselors will be working through a very large number of students so please be patient as they try and help everyone.

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We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer and look forward to August 13 when we can be together in person again!

SCHS Counseling Dept.