

Welcome to Mountain Brook High School!

We are anxiously awaiting your arrival but we need to select your classes first!

Here are a few helpful hints to guide you through the registration process:

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High School Schedule Info:

- Tenth grade students are also known as sophomores...just checking to make sure you know.
- **How the day is structured:** School begins 8:00AM and ends at 3:19PM. The high school has 8 periods. Make sure when you are selecting courses that you select enough to fill 8 periods. One of those periods can be a free period.
- **Free Period (Independent Study):** You may have one "free period". This will actually show up as Independent Study but everyone calls it a "free period". You may eat lunch, visit in the mall, go to the library, sit in the outside mall, or visit available teachers during this time (by appointment). You do not earn a grade for Independent Study (Free Period).
- **Lunch:** The lunchroom is open from 7:15 to 2:15 daily. You will find anything from a plate lunch and salad bar to grab and go snacks to a wide assortment of drinks. We also have a snack cart for grab and go items. The high school does not have a specific lunch period like the junior high. Crazy but true...many teachers will allow you to eat in their classrooms! If you are taking Advanced Chemistry, you may also have time after Chemistry lab is over. At most, it will meet for a period and a half.
- **"The Mall":** is an open area as you enter the high school where the lockers are located and students are allowed to sit and study, eat lunch, or just hang out with friends...did we mention study? The only shop located in the mall is the school store, "The Spot". We also now have an "outside mall" located outside the lunchroom.

Course Selection: Important Notes:

- **Alternates:** ALL students ***must*** select 4 alternate elective courses. These are courses that serve as back-up selection in the event that elective courses initially requested (and circled on the sheet) are not available or conflict with other classes. If students do not select alternate elective courses, then the administration will select courses for them.
- **Athletic Eligibility:** To remain eligible to participate in athletic teams, students must complete 6 credits per school year. Only one PE course can count for this requirement (this is especially important for the football players also taking the 2 period Advanced Chemistry course). PE Weight Training is a PE course as is 8th period PE-Football. You may read more about athletic eligibility on page 11 of the course selection guide.
- **Summer School:** Summer school registration will begin on March 1. Summer school registration information and forms will be available on the web by March 1. Sophomore options include Driver's Ed and Health but could also include Career Prep courses and Geometry and other classes if a set number of students register.
- **Chalkable:** Please do not forget to input all course selections in Chalkable. Please see the additional handout for instructions.

Diploma Options-Class of 2018

	Advanced with Honors	Advanced	Regular
Math	4 Alg I, Geo, Alg II with Trig; Precalculus or Discrete Math or beyond	4 Alg I, Geo, Alg II with Trig Plus one additional	4 Alg I, Geo, Algebraic Connections, Alg II
Science	4 All Group 1- Bio and Chem or Physics Plus two additional	4 3-Group 1 1-Group 1 or 2 Bio and Chem or Physics Plus two additional	4 Bio and a Physical Science Plus two additional
English	4	4	4
Social Studies	4	4	4
*CTE/FL/Fine Arts (3 credits total)	0	1	3
Foreign Language	3-Same Language	2-Same Language	0**
Fine Art	1	1	-
Career Prep A & B	1	1	1
PE Life	1	1	1
Health	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	2.5	2.5	2.5
Total Credits	25	25	24

* CTE-Career Tech Education, FL-Foreign Language

**Many colleges require at least one year of a foreign language.

Requirements for All Diploma Types:

- **Core Four:** Each year you will select four required academic courses: English, Social Studies, Math, and Science. We call these the "Core Four."
- **Additional Requirements:** Health (one semester), Career Prep A & B. These courses do not have to be completed during freshman or sophomore year but are required before graduation. Health is also offered in summer school. Career Prep courses may be offered in summer school if a minimum amount of students enroll.
- **CTE (Business)/FL (Foreign Language)/Fine Art Category:** Students must earn a total of 3.0 credits within these 3 categories. For students choosing the Advanced with Honors Diploma or the Advanced Diploma, an additional 1.0 credit of fine art must be earned.

Course Selection:

Course Selection: Four Core Sophomore Year:

*Current ninth grade teachers will be providing counselors with a list of recommendations and your course selections will be verified by a counselor. If you have a question about a recommendation you may want to contact the ninth grade teacher for further information.

English

- Everyone will circle **English 10 (regular)**
- Placements for Advanced English will be made by the end of February due to the portfolio process. Schedules will then be changed accordingly by the high school administration. Your current English teacher will guide you through this process.
- Additional option for regular English— **American Studies**. This course is a blended English and US History course for 10th grade students. This course is taught as a double period course with the regular English and US History classes scheduled during back to back periods. The focus of the American Studies course is to engage with the core curriculum in a unique way by learning early US History simultaneously with literature from the period. More information will be sent home regarding the registration for this course in the English placement letter that is sent home in February.
- The additional courses listed under English are elective courses.

Social Studies

- All sophomores must take **U. S. History to 1877 (regular or advanced)**. This is a required course for all 10th grade students.
- Additional option for regular U.S. History--**American Studies** (description above in English).

Math

- If you are currently in **Algebra I, you will circle Geometry**. Essential Geometry is for students who have struggled in Algebra I. Placement in Ess Geo is by teacher recommendation only.
- If you are currently in **Geometry, you will circle Algebra II with Trig (regular, adv, or accelerated)**. Placement in the advanced or accelerated course is by teacher recommendation.
- If you are currently in **Algebra II with Trig, you will circle Precalculus (regular or adv)**. Placement in the advanced course is by teacher recommendation.

Science (placement based on math classes and grades)

- If you are currently in **Algebra I and made below an 80, you will circle Physical Science**.
- If you are currently in **Algebra I and made an 80 or above, you may circle Chemistry**.
- If you are currently in **Geometry or Alg II/Trig, you may circle Advanced Chemistry**. Registering for Advanced Chemistry is not required, but students who will be taking Algebra II/Trig or Precalculus are prepared for the rigor of math in Advanced Chemistry.
- Remember, when you choose your science course: Regular Chemistry is a one period course and Advanced Chemistry is a 2 period course (really a period and a half so you will have at least a half of a period break daily).

Course Selection: PE Life:

- This credit is REQUIRED by the state of Alabama for graduation.

*****All students MUST register for *one* of these PE Life Options*****

- PE Life (gym class with a health course component)
- PE Athletics-fall and PE Athletics-spring (AHSAA Approved Sports Teams)
- Men's Honor Choir or
- Women's Concert Choir
- Marching Band
- Cheerleading
- Dorians (Dance Team & Color Guard)

- All 10th graders must meet the PE Life requirement.
- Please make sure to fill out the PE Life information at the bottom of the course selection sheet. If by some chance you do not make your PE Life team, we need to know how you are going to complete this credit.
- All students enrolled in an option other than the PE Life course will be required to complete an additional short PE Life course via Canvas as well as fitness testing as supervised by their coach or director. This meets the curriculum requirements specified by the state to receive PE Life credit.
- Sophomores who, for whatever reason, drop their PE Athletic Course (sports team) after the fall semester will be placed in the PE Life course for the spring semester.

Miscellaneous Information regarding Electives:

- **Foreign Language.** We strongly recommend taking at least one year of a foreign language even if you are planning to earn a Standard Diploma because many colleges require at least one year.
 - The Advanced with Honors diploma requires 3 consecutive years of a foreign language (for example, Spanish I, II, and III).
 - The Advanced diploma requires 2 consecutive years of a foreign language (for example French I and II)
- **Football.** If you are on the football team, you will register for PE Football and PE Advanced Weight Training for both fall and spring semesters.
- **Track.** If you are on the track team, you will register for PE Track and may also take Advanced Conditioning with coach approval.
- **Driver's Ed** is not a required class but many students decide to take it because it helps with the cost of automobile insurance. Fall birthdays will take the course in the fall. Spring birthdays will take it in the spring. Driver's Ed is also offered in summer school.

2018-2019 COURSE REQUEST FORM

Mountain Brook High School

Rising Sophomores

FORM DUE TO AO TEACHER
BY TBA

NAME: _____

Your child has been recommended to take the following courses listed in the box below. If you want to change a recommendation, please mark through the recommended course and circle the desired course on the form below.

All students will register for eight (8) periods per semester and four (4) of the eight (8) periods will be academic classes.
Courses dropped after the 1st week of school will be noted on transcript as withdrawn (W).
Semester courses -designated "(sem)" - are offered either semester unless otherwise indicated.

LANGUAGE ARTS

Creative Writing I (sem) 200033aa
English 10 (Regular) 200009
*English 10 (Advanced) 200011
Public Speaking (sem or year) 200042

APPLICATION REQUIRED (available online)

Journalism (Muse) 802202ab
Journalism (Newspaper) 802202aa

If I get _____, drop _____

TEACHER APPROVAL REQUIRED

Forensics/Debate 200045aa

SOCIAL STUDIES

U.S. History to 1877 230016
*U.S. History to 1877 (Adv) 230018
AP Psychology 230072

MATHEMATICS

*Accel Alg II Trig Precal 210017ac
*Algebraic Connections 210015
*Algebra II/Trigonometry 210017
*Algebra II/Trigonometry (Adv) 210017aa
*Essential Geometry 210010aa
*Geometry 210010
*PreCalculus 210020

SCIENCE

Chemistry 220061
*Chemistry (Advanced) 220063aa
Physical Science 220051

WORLD LANGUAGE

American Sign Language I 270141
French I 270023
French II 270024
French III 270025
Latin I 270111
Latin II 270112
Latin III 270113aa
Spanish I 270153aa
Spanish II 270154
Spanish III 270155
*French II (Adv) 270024aa
*French III (Adv) 270025aa
*Latin II (Adv) 270112aa
*Latin III (Adv) 270113
*Spanish II (Adv) 270154aa
*Spanish III (Adv) 270155aa

FINE ARTS

Art I-A (sem) 280093aa
Art of Cinema (sem) 280072ae
‡Band 280037
‡Concert Women's Choir 280053aa
‡Honors Choir - Men 280053af
Costumes & Makeup (sem) 280072ac
Draw/Paint (sem) 280094aa
Draw/Paint Advanced (sem) 280095
Jazz Band 280039ab
Media Arts I 200046
Media Arts II 200046aa
Music Technology (sem) 280001
Photography I (sem) 280093ae
Photo II (sem) 280094
Tech Theatre I (fall sem) 280071ab
Tech Theatre II (spr sem) 280072ab
Theatre Arts I 280071aa
Theatre Arts II 280072
2D Design (sem) 280094ac
2D Design Advanced (sem) 280095ab
3D Sculpt (sem) 280094ab
3D Sculpt Advanced (sem) 280095aa

CAREER TECH

AP Computer Science Principles 520018
Business Finance (sem) 400022
Business Law (sem) 450011
Business Technology I (sem) 450006
Business Technology II (sem) 450031
Career Prep A (sem) 400026
Career Prep B (sem) 400027
Engineering Your World 560013

CAREER FOCUS ELECTIVES

APPLICATION REQUIRED (available online)
Equine Science 802200ag
Student Outreach 802200aj
Student Project Seminar 802200ar

If I get _____, drop _____

ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES & PE

*Academic Skills 802203ad
Ancient Philosophy 270116aa
Classical Mythology (sem) 200036ab
Computer Aided Drafting (sem) 802200as
Driver Education (fall sem) 290001
Driver Education (spring sem) 290001aa
Health (sem) 250002
Indep Study/Free (fall sem) 802104aa
Indep Study/Free (spring sem) 802104ab
Medical Rotations 250003aa
Multi-Med Publications (sem) 802200am
*Resource Lab 600302ac
‡PE Life 240002
‡PE Athletics (fall) _____
‡PE Athletics (spring) _____
‡Cheerleader 802208be
‡Dorians / Color Guard 802208bf
PE Adv Weight Train (fall sem) 802208ck
PE Adv Weight Train (spring sem) 802208cb
PE Adv Conditioning (fall sem) 802208cf
PE Adv Conditioning (spring sem) 802208ap
PE Strength & Cond (fall sem) 802208cl
PE Strength & Cond (spring sem) 802208ch
Philosophy

ALTERNATES - IN ORDER OF CHOICE

(If you do not choose alternative electives, they will be selected for you.)

List Alternates

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

PE LIFE REQUIREMENT:

If I do not make _____
then I would like to take _____

_____ for my PE Life Requirement.

* = Teacher Recommendation Required
‡ = Counts toward PE Life Requirement

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Sample Sophomore Schedules

These are only a few of the possibilities. The possibilities are endless!

Customize to fit the student.

(Courses are not listed in period order; numbers are just listed to remind we have 8 periods to fill)

Football Player taking Adv. Chemistry:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Adv. Chemistry
- 5-Adv. Chemistry (only select once in Chalkable)
- 6-Foreign Language*
- 7-PE Adv. Weight Training
- 8-PE Football/PE Basketball

Football Player taking one period science:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Physical Science or Chemistry
- 5-Foreign Language*
- 6-PE Adv. Weight Training
- 7-PE Football/PE Baseball
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

Band Student:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Chemistry
- 5-Photo I-Photo II*
- 6-Driver's Ed/Art I-A*
- 7-Marching/Symphonic Band (fulfills PE Life requirement)
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

Student Interested in Art:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Physical Science
- 5-Driver's Ed/Health*
- 6-Draw Paint/Adv Draw Paint*
(can jump to these courses if Art Foundations or Art I taken at the JH in 8th or 9th grade)
- 7-PE Life requirement
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

Track Student:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Chemistry
- 5-Foreign Language*
- 6-Adv. Conditioning *
- 7-PE Track
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

Choir Student with additional activity:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Physical Science
- 5-Foreign Language*
- 6-Men or Women's Concert Choir (fulfills fine art requirement)
- 7-Dorians (fulfills PE Life requirement)
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

* Or other elective-Foreign Language, Fine Art, Business, or other elective course (see course selection guide for course listings, requirements, and descriptions)

For planning purposes only.

Ninth grade students have or will also be inputting four year planning information into the Family Connections Naviance program during Career Prep B (CPB). If your child took the CPB class during fall semester, they may access the Naviance program to view their plan and edit it at any time. Spring 2016 CPB students will receive Naviance information in February. If your child was not able to take CPB in ninth grade, the counselor will set up a time to meet with your child and set up his/her Naviance account and four year plan.

MOUNTAIN BROOK HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL PLAN

NAME: _____
 (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

CAREER CHOICE

1st _____
 2nd _____

EDUCATIONAL PLANS

_____ College
 _____ Technical
 _____ Military Service
 _____ Work Experience

DIPLOMA CHOICE

_____ Advanced with Honors
 _____ Advanced
 _____ Standard

FOUR YEAR PLAN

NINTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English _____ 1
 World History 1500 to the Present _____ 1
 Health Education _____ 1/2
 Career Prep B _____ 1/2
 Math _____ 1
 Science _____ 1
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Summer School _____

Ninth Grade Credits _____

TENTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English _____ 1
 U.S. History to 1877 _____ 1
 Math _____ 1
 Science _____ 1
 PE/Life _____ 1
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Summer School _____

Tenth Grade Credits _____

ELEVENTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English _____ 1
 U.S. History 1877 to the Present _____ 1
 Math _____ 1
 Science _____ 1
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Summer School _____

Eleventh Grade Credits _____

TWELFTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English _____ 1
 Government & Economics _____ 1
 Math _____ 1
 Science _____ 1
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Elective _____
 Summer School _____

Twelfth Grade Credits _____

****TOTAL CREDITS EARNED** _____

EIGHTH GRADE - YEAR _____ (If Applicable)

Algebra I _____
 Foreign Language _____
 Career Prep A _____ 1/2
 Summer School _____

Eighth Grade Credits _____

****Be sure that course requirements for advanced with honors, advanced, standard, and occupational diplomas listed in registration booklet are fulfilled in order to receive desired diploma for graduation**

**Example Four Year Plan:
Football Player with Advanced with Honors
Diploma with 2 period Science Courses**

**MOUNTAIN BROOK HIGH SCHOOL
EDUCATIONAL PLAN**

NAME: _____
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

CAREER CHOICE

EDUCATIONAL PLANS

DIPLOMA CHOICE

1st Doctor
2nd Engineer

College
 Technical
 Military Service
 Work Experience

Advanced with Honors
 Advanced
 Standard

FOUR YEAR PLAN

NINTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English 1
World History 1500 to the Present 1
Health Education ½
Career Prep B ½
Math Geometry 1
Science Adv Biology 1
Elective Spanish I 1
Elective Wt Training/Film Production 0.5/0.5
Summer School _____
Ninth Grade Credits 7

ELEVENTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English 1
U.S. History 1877 to the Present 1
Math Adv Precalculus 1
Science AP Chemistry (2 periods) 1
Elective Spanish III 1
Elective Football 1
Elective Adv Wt. Training 1
Elective _____
Summer School _____
Eleventh Grade Credits 7

TENTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English 1
U.S. History to 1877 1
Math Alg II/Trig 1
Science Adv Chem (2 periods) 1
PE/Life Football 1
Elective Adv Wt Training 1
Elective Spanish II 1
Elective _____
Summer School _____
Tenth Grade Credits 7

TWELFTH GRADE - YEAR _____

English 1
Government & Economics 1
Math Reg or AP Calculus 1
Science AP Biology (2 periods) 1
Elective Spanish IV 1
Elective Football/Fine Art 0.5/0.5
Elective Adv Wt. Training/Fine Art 0.5/0.5
Elective _____
Summer School _____
Twelfth Grade Credits 7

****TOTAL CREDITS EARNED 29.5**

EIGHTH GRADE - YEAR _____ (If Applicable)

Algebra I _____ 1
Foreign Language _____
Career Prep A _____ ½
Summer School _____
Eighth Grade Credits 1.5

Additional Thoughts:

- Student may have taken Fine Art in 9th grade
- Health, Government, and Economics can all be taken in summer school

****Be sure that course requirements for advanced with honors, advanced, standard, and occupational diplomas listed in registration booklet are fulfilled in order to receive desired diploma for graduation**

Instructions for Inputting Courses in Chalkable

The following steps will help you input your desired courses for the 2018-2019 school year in Chalkable. Ultimately, your schedule will be generated in Chalkable. Until schedules are generated, the courses you request will have a status of *pending*. Please keep in mind that these are online requests and not a final schedule. You are seeing the courses that are available to you according to your upcoming grade for the 2018-2019 school year. Your online requests will be used to build your schedule and to ensure that you have been proactive in making sure the classes assigned are indeed the ones you have requested on your Course Request Form. **The opening for the Chalkable portal for online course requests will be announced, and students will have a 2 week window to enter requests.** Once we shut this portal down, you may not receive classes of your choice.

It is very important that you refer to your transcript, and/or recent report card, and the diploma types in the Course Selection Guide to guarantee that you are meeting all of the graduation requirements and on track to earning the diploma type of your choice. The Course Selection Guide can be found on the MBHS website. Each student will register for enough classes to fill 8 periods per semester. One of the 8 periods may be an Independent Study (free period) each semester. Seniors are allowed to choose 2 Independent Studies (free periods) per semester.

CHALKABLE COURSE SELECTION STEPS FOR STUDENTS:

1. Start at the MBHS website: www.mtnbrook.k12.al.us/mbhs.
2. Click MBS Portal link (ClassLink).
 - *Students* gain access using the student's network username and password.
 - *Parents* gain access using their user name and password.
3. Click the Chalkable icon.
 - Parents and students have individual usernames and passwords. These are the same username and password used to view grades.
 - If you have trouble with your username or password, please contact Joani Kay, 414-3800 or kayj@mtnbrook.k12.al.us.
4. At the top of the screen on the right side, you will see SCHOOL/ACADEMIC SESSION. Choose *Mountain Brook High School 2018-19*.
5. Click REQUEST on the left side of screen.
6. Click ADD (the blue + sign) on the right side of screen.
7. Make sure SCHOOL CATEGORY says *High School*. If it does not, select *High School* in the drop box. Select the GRADE LEVEL that your student will be in for the 2018-2019 school year for both the starting and ending grade option.
8. Click SEARCH and the list of courses will be seen.
9. Click each class you would like to request. (The course number should match the course number on your course request form.)
10. Click ADD button at the bottom of the screen.
11. Students must select enough classes to fill 8 periods each semester. A free period may be requested by selecting *Independent Study*.
12. Wait for your courses to be added to your course requests page. Review your Course Request page. Status of your requests will say "pending."
13. Click logout.

Note: If you need to delete a course, check the box next to the course name. Then click delete.

You may return to the portal and make changes to your course selections until the window closes.

All of the forms needed for course selection are available on the school's website at www.mtnbrook.k12.al.us/mbhs.

Mountain Brook High School

Student Placement Form

Student's Name: _____ Grade in 2018-2019 _____

The parents of the above student request the placement of the student in _____

understanding that the personnel of the school recommends placement in _____.

In making this request, the student and parent(s) understand that enrolling in a course for which one is not recommended requires:

Student
Initials

Parent
Initials

_____ Higher level of commitment in time and effort.

_____ Consideration that the student may earn a lower grade.

_____ The student advocating for additional help per the teacher's extra help policy for the course or with outside resources.

Placement into this class is contingent upon there being room in the class after all students who meet the prerequisites and requirements have been placed.

The parents and student take full responsibility for placement in this class. The student is responsible for contacting the department chair to acquire a signature.

Parent's Signature

Date

Dept. Chair Signature

Date

Student's Signature

Date

Principal's Signature

Date

Social Studies - Leah Kilfoyle - kilfoylel@mtnbrook.k12.al.us

Science - Michael McGovern - mcgovernm@mtnbrook.k12.al.us

English - Melinda Cammarata - cammaratam@mtnbrook.k12.al.us

Foreign Language - Heather Fitch - fitchh@mtnbrook.k12.al.us

Math - Rhonda Guillory - guilloryr@mtnbrook.k12.al.us