Welcome to Mountain Brook High School!

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

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

Sophomore Counselor: Rebecca Goodson

Contact Information: goodsonr@mtnbrook.k12.al.us or 414-3800

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).
- <u>Lunch</u>: 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. 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 will 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".

Course Selection: Important Notes:

- Alternates: ALL students <u>must</u> 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 and pass 6 credits per school year. Only one PE course can count for this requirement (this is especially important for the football players who take the 2 period Advanced Chemistry course). PE Weight Training and 8th period PE-Football are both PE courses. AHSAA will only let you count one of these towards athletic eligibility so count your credits carefully. You may read more about athletic eligibility on page 11 of the course selection guide.
- <u>Summer School</u>: 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 other classes if a set number of students register.
- <u>PowerSchool:</u> Please do not forget to input all course selections in PowerSchool. Please see the additional handout for instructions.

Mountain Brook High School Diploma Options

	Advanced with Honors	Advanced	Standard
Math	4 Geo, Alg II with Stats, Precalculus and 1 additional higher math	4 Geo, Alg II with Stats, Precal plus one additional Alg 1 or another math	4 Geo, Alg II/Stats plus two additional math courses
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/WL/ FA (3 credits total)	0	1	3
World Language	3-Same Language	2-Same Language	0**
Fine Art	1	1	0
Career Prep A & B	1	1	1
PE Kinesiology	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, WL-World Language, FA-Fine Art

Requirements for All Diploma Types:

- <u>Core Four:</u> 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 offered in summer school. Career Prep courses may be offered in summer school if a minimum number of students enroll.
- <u>CTE (Career Tech), WL (World Language)/FA (Fine Art) Category</u>: 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.

^{**}Many colleges require at least one year of a world language.

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 specific information.

English

- English 10 (regular or advanced): required for all sophomores. Your current English teacher will guide you through the recommendation process.
- The additional courses listed under English are elective courses.

Social Studies

- U. S. History to 1877 (regular or advanced): required for all sophomores. Advanced is taught
 very much like the 11th grade AP course, with two-day tests: one multiple choice and the
 other is essay and short answer questions
- The additional courses listed under Social Studies are elective courses.

Math

 Your math recommendation is based on placement and outcome in current and previous math classes. Additional placement information has been gathered from testing data. Please refer to the teacher recommendation.

<u>Science</u> (placement based on math classes, grades, and teacher recommendation)

- Physical Science: if you earned less than an 80 in Geometry or Biology.
- **Chemistry**: if you earned an 80 or higher in Geometry and Biology; however, this is not an automatic placement. Please refer to your teacher recommendation.
- Advanced Chemistry: 85 or higher in Geometry and Biology; prior or concurrent enrollment (10th grade) in Alg II/Stats or higher-level math course is the <u>basic requirement</u> for being recommended. This is not an automatic placement. Please refer to your teacher recommendation.

Course Selection: PE-Beginning Kinesiology (formerly PE Life):

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

*****	**All students MUST register for one of these PE Kinesiology Options******
	Beginning Kinesiology class (gym class with a health course component)
	Varsity Athletics-fall and PE Athletics-spring (AHSAA Approved Sports Teams)
	Men's Chorus
	Women's Chorus
	Marching Band
	Cheerleading
	Dorians (Dance Team & Color Guard)

- Ail 10th grade students must meet the PE-Beginning Kinesiology requirement.
- Please make sure to fill out the Beginning Kinesiology information at the bottom of the course selection sheet. If by some chance you are not selected for one of the above-mentioned teams, we need to know how you are going to complete this credit.
- All students enrolled in an option other than the Beginning Kinesiology class will be required to complete an additional short Beginning Kinesiology online course via Schoology and fitness testing as supervised by their coach or director. This meets the curriculum requirements specified by the state to receive Beginning Kinesiology credit. Some students did complete this in 9th grade.
- Sophomores who drop their Varsity Athletic Course (sports team) after the fall semester will be placed in the Beginning Kinesiology course for the spring semester.
- Coaches have the final approval on who may be placed in their 8th period athletic classes.

Miscellaneous Information regarding Electives:

- World Language We strongly recommend taking at least one year of a world language even if you are planning to earn a Standard Diploma. Many colleges require at least one year.
 - The Advanced with Honors diploma requires 3 consecutive years of a world language (for example, Spanish I, II, and III).
 - The Advanced diploma requires 2 consecutive years of a world language (for example French I and II)
 - Seal of Biliteracy-see course selection guide for more information
- Football If you are on the football team, you will register for Varsity Football and Football Weight Training for both fall and spring semesters (every year except senior spring).
- <u>Track</u> If you are on the cross country and/or track teams, you will register for *Varsity Track* & *Field*.
- <u>Driver's Ed</u> is not a required class but many students decide to take it because it is a great
 way to learn all DMV driving rules and may help with the cost of automobile insurance. The
 first half of the semester is classroom lessons while the second half is driving appointments.
 Once requirements are met, students will earn a certificate ("golden ticket") to waive the
 driving appointment with the DMV. Driver's Ed is also offered in summer school.

FORM DUE TO **BIOLOGY TEACHER BY FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

2023-2024 COURSE REQUEST FORM **Mountain Brook High School Rising Sophomores**

DIPLOMA (check one):	
Advanced Academic with Honors	
Advanced	
Standard	

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.

SAMPLE

(if you lose your original form, please ask the MBJH counseling office for a new, color-coded form)

All students will choose one scheduling option and register for eight (8) periods per semester. Four (4) of the eight (8) periods will be academic classes. Semester courses-designated "(sem)" - are offered either semester unless otherwise indicated.

LANGUAGE ARTS English 10 (Regular)	0100001000	Vis Arts Photography II (Sem		‡Dorians 05049G1001
*English 10 (Adv)	01002G1000	Thr Tech Theatre I	05056G1001	* Resource 22151X1001
Debate	01002E1000 01151G1001	Thr Tech Theatre II	05056G10T2	*Transitions 22151X1002
Muse (Literary Magazine)	22994X1002	Theatre Arts I (Sem) Theatre Arts II	05052G10HS	
Sword & Shield (Newspaper)	11101G1000	Vie Arte 2D Docion I (Com)	05052G1002	435144455445554
Bible as Literature	01059G1000	Vis Arts 3D Design I (Sem) Vis Arts 3D Design II (Adv Se	UD195G1U31	APPLICATION REQUIRED (available online)
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US History I	04102G1000	APPLICATION REQUIRED	7 (available online)	
*US History I (Adv)	04102E1000	Spartan News Staff	05299G1001	DE DECIMAINO KINEDIOLOGIA
Psvchology (Sem)	04254G10SM	opartan richo otan	0323301001	PE BEGINNING KINESIOLOGY
Psychology AP	04256E1000			REQUIREMENT:
Humanities (Fall)	04099G0FA	CAREER TECH		
Humanities (Spring)	04099G0SP	Computer Science Prin AP	10019E10	If I do not make
		Computer Science A AP	10157E10	then I would like to take
MATHEMATICS		Bus Sftwre App 1 (Sem) Bus Sftwre App 2 (Sem)	12002G1001	month would also to take
*Algebra I w/ Probability	02052G1000	Bus Sftwre App 2 (Sem)	12003G1000	for my DE Decimina (f)
*Alg II w/ Stats (MB COS)	02056G1000	Digital Marketing	12162G1001	for my PE Beginning Kinesiology
*Alg II w/ Stats (Adv)	02056E1000	Fndtn of Engineering	21005G1000	Requirement
*Acc Alg II w/ Stats/Prec	22996X1002	Robotics Applications Fndtn Bus Leadshp (Sem)	21009G1002	
*Precalculus (Adv)	02110E05	Fndtn Bus Leadshp (Sem)	12051G1000	
COLEMON		Intro to Law (Sem)	15057G0500	
SCIENCE		Personal Finance (Sem)	19262G0500	
Physical Science	03159G1000			f. Tarahan Danaman I. II
Chemistry	03101G1000			* = Teacher Recommendation
*Chemistry (Adv)	03101E1000	CAREER FOCUS ELECTIV	<u>/ES</u>	Required
WORLD LANGUAGE		APPLICATION REQUIRED	(available online)	‡ = Counts toward PE Beginning
WORLD LANGUAGE	04050040	CTE Lab Health/Sci Rsrch	14999G1000	Kinesiology Requirement
American Sign Language I French I	24852G10 24102G1000	Education & Train/iLEARN	19151G1000	tunesiology requirement
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Latin I	24104G1000 24342G1000	If I get, drop _		
Latin II	24343G1000 24343G1000			
Latin III	24344G1000	ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES	o DE	
Spanish I	24052G1000	*Academic Skills Art History AP Ancient Philosophy (Sem)	22006X10AS	
Spanish II	24053G1000	Art History AP	05153E1000	ALTERNATES IN CORES OF SUCCES
Spanish III	24054G1000	Ancient Philosophy (Sem)	24369G10AP	ALTERNATES - IN ORDER OF CHOICE
*French II (Adv)	24103G1001	Career Prep A (Sem) Career Prep B (Sem) Classical Mythology (Sem)	22153G0512	(If you do not list alternative electives, they
*French III (Adv)	24104G1001	Career Prep B (Sem)	22153G0522	will be selected for you.)
*Latin II (Adv)	24343G1001	Classical Mythology (Sem)	01099G10CM	List Alternates
*Latin III (Adv)	24344G1001	Driver Education (Fall)	08152G0500	List Allemates
*Spanish II (Adv)	24053G1001	Driver Education (Spr)	08152G0501	4
*Spanish III (Adv)	24054G1001	Health (Sem)	08051G0500	1
		Indep Study / Free (Fall)	22006X1001	2.
FINE ARTS		Indep Study / Free (Spr)	22006X1002	3
Vis Arts Art I (Sem)	05154G1001	Medical Rotations	08099G1000	4.
Art of Cinema (Sem)	05099G1001	#Beginning Kinesiology	08017G1000	
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‡Women's Chorus	05111G10	‡Varsity Athletics (Spring) _ FB Wt Train (Fall)		
‡Men's Chorus	05111G10M1	FB Wt Train (Fall)	08047G10FA	
Draw/Paint (Sem)	05157G1000	FB Wt Train (Spr)	08047G1002	
Draw/Paint Adv (Sem)	05157G1002	PE Track Cond (Fall)	08047G1003	

08047G1004

08005G10FA

08005G10SP

PE Track Cond (Spr) Strength & Cond Adv (Fall) Strength & Cond Adv (Spr)

‡Varsity Cheer (Varsity&JV) 08006G10CH

05250G1001

05250G1002

05167G10P1

05105G10

Trad and Emer Jazz Band

Media Arts II (Intro to TV)

Vis Arts Photography I (Sem)

Media Arts I (Sem)

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

MOUNTAIN BROOK HIGH SCHOOL **EDUCATIONAL PLAN**

CAREER CHOICE	EDUCATIONAL PLAN	NS DIPLOMA CHOICE					
1st <u>Doctor</u> 2nd <u>Engineer</u>	X_ College Technical Military Service Work Experience	Standard					
FOUR YEAR PLAN							
NINTH GRADE - YEAR	1 0.5 0.5 1 1 1 0.5/0.5	ELEVENTH GRADE - YEAR					
English U.S. History to 1877 Math Alg II/Trig Science Adv Chem (2 periods) PE Beg.Kinesiology Football Elective Wt Training Elective Spanish II Elective Summer School Tenth Grade Credits	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	TWELFTH GRADE - YEAR 1 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 Wt. Training/Fine Art 0.5/0.5 Elective Summer School 7 Twelfth Grade Credits 7					
EIGHTH GRADE - YEAR (World Language Career Prep A Summer School Eighth Grade Credits	Г	Additional Thoughts: Student may have taken Fine Art in 9 th grade Health, Career Prep A/B, 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

Four Year Plan
(If student earned high school credit for math in 8th grade, add it to 9th grade column-Alg I, Geometry, etc.)

ard iced	Advance with Honors
Standard Advanced	Advance
Diploma Type:	

Name:

	Ninth Grade	Tenth Grade	Fleventh Grade	Twelfth Grade
Subject (Units)	School Year	School Year	School Year	School Year
English (4)	☐ English 9	☐ English 10	☐ English 11	☐ English 12
Social Studies (4)	□ World History	□ US History I	☐ US History II	☐ Gov't ☐ Econ
Math (4)	☐ Geometry	□ Alg I □ Alg II/Stats □ Accel Alg II/Stats & Precal	Alg II/StatsFinite MathPrecalCalculus/AP Calc	Finite Math Precal Calculus/AP Calc
Science (4)	☐ Biology	☐ Physical Science☐ Chem	Grp 1	Grp 1
Electives-required	☐ PE Beg. Kinesiology (1.0)	.0) Career Prep A (0.5)	.5) 🗆 Career Prep B (0.5)	5) 🗆 Health (0.5)
Career Tech/ World Language/ Fine Art (3)				
Add'l Electives (2.5)				
Add'l Fine Art (1.0- Adv/Honor Diplomas)				

Sample Sophomore Schedules

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

Customize the courses 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 (two period science)
- 5-Adv. Chemistry (only select once in Chalkable)
- 6-World Language*
- 7-Football Weight Training
- 8-Varsity Football/Varsity Basketball

Football Player taking one period science:

- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Physical Science or Chemistry
- 5-World Language*
- 6-Football Weight Training
- 7-Varsity Football/Varsity 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 Band (fulfils PE Kinesiology 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 Beginning Kinesiology class
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

Track Student:

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

- **Choir Student with additional activity:**
- 1-English 10
- 2-US History
- 3-Math
- 4-Physical Science
- 5-World Language*
- 6-Men or Women's Chorus (fulfils fine art requirement)
- 7-Dorians (fulfils PE Kines. requirement)
- 8-Independent Study (Free Period)

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

Fun Fact: The Class of 2026 (your class) has 330 students!

Instructions for Entering Course Requests through PowerSchool for Current 9th-11th Grade Students

All current 9th-11th graders will be entering their course requests online through PowerSchool. The student registration portal will be open February 14 through February 27. On February 28 all MBJH students will return course request forms to Biology teachers. All MBHS students will return course request forms to English teachers. Please consult with the *MBHS 2023-2024 Course Guide* for detailed information on courses, descriptions, prerequisites, teacher recommendation information, etc.

Step 1: Access PowerSchool through the PowerSchool icon in your ClassLink.

Step 2: On the left-side Navigation tab, click Class Registration.



<u>Step 3</u>: At the top of the page you will find the following message: *Welcome to the MBHS School Registration System for 2023-2024.* Using your Course Request Form as your guide, you will now enter your course requests. Here are some things to remember:

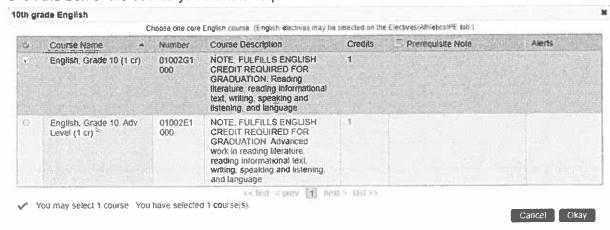
- All students are required to take one core course in English, social studies, math, and science.
- Sign up for the courses for which teachers have recommended/approved. If you intend to follow the parent placement process, please consult with the MBHS course guide for those procedures. Counselors will make any necessary request changes based on completed parent placement forms.
- > 10th and 11th graders may take one independent study course each semester. 12th graders may take a maximum of two independent study courses each semester.
- Select enough requests to equal 8 class periods. Remember to properly account for semester courses and classes that are two-period classes (like AP Biology, AP Chemistry, and others).
- Application-based and audition-based requests will be entered/confirmed by counselors after all requests have been entered.

To enter requests, click on the pencil icon in the top right corner for each category:

Click the edit button to request a course

10th grade English
Choose one core English course (English electives may be selected on the Electives/Alhitelics/PE tab.)
Number of requests to generate: 1

Click the box of the course you want to request:



Click the Okay button on the bottom right corner. Continue selecting courses in all core classes and other categories. Remember to select enough requests for an 8-period day. A green check in the top right corner means you have successfully completed a request in a category.



<u>Step 4</u>: Once all requests have been selected, click *Submit* to save and request the courses you have selected. A confirmation page will appear.

<u>Step 5</u>: Check your course requests as listed on the confirmation page. If you need to make any changes, click on the **Class Registration** tab and continue through the previous steps again. Click **Submit** to save your requests.

IMPORTANT: Be sure to list your alternate requests on your **Course Request Form.** If you do not list alternates, they will be selected for you in the event that your primary requests cannot be accommodated in the master schedule.

Mountain Brook High School Parent Placement Form

Due April 28, 2023

Student's Name:				Grade in 2023-2024	
The parents of the	above student	request the placeme	ent of the student in		
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In making this req		it and parent(s) unde	erstand that enrolling in a c	ourse for which one is not	
Student Initials	Parent Initials				
		including (1) advo	cating for additional help d	itment in both time and effort epending on the teacher's extra he utside and/or virtual resources.	elp
		The student may making this reque		eeds to be fully considered before	
		The student must school year.	remain in the course for at	least the first semester of the next	t
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Student's Signature	e	Date	Science - Michael McGoverr English – Shannon Marks - n		
Principal's Signatur	re	Date		Fitch - fitchh@mtnbrook.k12.al.us s - burnsw@mtnbrook.k12.al.us	