FAQs: 9th Grade

- How do I change my child's schedule? If a student would like a schedule change, a
  parent may complete a schedule change request form and attach a \$25 check starting
  the day you receive your student's tentative schedule (mid-July) up until August 6th.
  Please return the completed form and \$25 fee to the counseling office.
- When will we get the recommendation for English? English recommendations will be on the course verification forms that will be mailed home April 30th.
- Does my 9<sup>th</sup> grader have to take PE in 9<sup>th</sup> grade? No, unless they are in a varsity sport.
   Varsity sports will travel to the high school during 7th period. Students will complete a beginning kinesiology course through schoology to receive the PE credit.
- What team sports require 9<sup>th</sup> graders to go to the HS during 7<sup>th</sup> period? VARSITY Girls and Boys Basketball, Cheerleading, Wrestling, Baseball, Boys and Girls Golf, PE Weight Training, Boys and Girls Soccer, Tennis, VARSITY Track, and Volleyball. Students planning to play football in 10th grade will register for the weight training class. This class will be in the spring during 1st period. The students will arrive at the HS at 7:30 and will be bused to the JH before 2nd period.
- How many Advanced level classes should my child take? Students can take as many
  advanced classes as they are recommended for or have been parent placed into during
  the year. Advanced level courses typically involve more homework and studying outside
  of school. When making course selection decisions, be sure to weigh total course load
  and extracurricular commitments. Do we have to take all advanced classes that are
  recommended? No, you can deny the recommendation.
- For 9<sup>th</sup> grade, do all courses count for high school credit and appear on the high school transcript? Yes, all count for a credit and will appear on the transcript. Even electives taken in 9<sup>th</sup> grade? Yes, Electives will count as World Language, Fine Arts, Career Tech, Health, or other credits for graduation.
- Does Career Prep A and B (CPA/CPB) count for HS credit? Yes, and both CPA and CPB are graduation requirements for all diplomas.
- When should my child take CPA, CPB and Health? Students can take these semester
  courses during the school year starting in 8th grade in one of their semester elective
  slots. Students also have the option to take CPA during the summer after their 7th, 8th or
  9th grade years, CPB during the summer after 8th or 9th grades, and Health during the
  summer after their 8th or 9th years.
- When is summer school and what can my child take in summer school? Summer school runs June-July (see MBJH website for all summer school information). What about Drivers' Ed? Drivers' Ed is completed through the high school and can be taken the summer after a student's 9th grade year or during the year in 10th grade.
- What happens to my child's grade on the transcript if we drop a class? The grade will stay on the transcript, only classes dropped before the semester will not appear on the transcript. The only exception is if the students dropped an advanced class. Those grades will transfer to the regular class and will be averaged with their future grades.
- Can we take the level 1 or 1-B foreign language over in 9<sup>th</sup> grade? 9th grade students can start a level 1 Foreign Language if they have not started a foreign language yet.

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in their GPA.