

Freshman/New to MCHS Orientation

Welcome Freshmen, New Students and Families!



Why We Do What We Do....

OUR ASPIRATION FOR ALL STUDENTS

MCHS will equip all students with resilience and confidence to appreciate diversity, enter a dynamic world, and serve as active agents of positive change.

OUR PROMISE TO ALL STUDENTS

MCHS will cultivate students through robust and relevant academic learning experiences that ignite students' individual passions.

INTRODUCTIONS - Administration

Administration:

- * Ms. Taylor, Principal
- * Mr. Kubricki, Assistant Principal
- * Ms. Temple, Assistant Principal
- * Mr. Tryon, Activities Director

Support Staff:

- * Mrs. Farmer, Secretary
- * Mrs. Alfred, Attendance



INTRODUCTIONS - School Counseling

Located in Counseling Office

- * Mrs. Miller - School Counselor (A-M)
- * Mrs. Smith - School Counseling Director (N-Z)
- * Mrs. Frye - Counseling Secretary/Registrar

Located in Student Success Center (Rm. 102)

- * Ms. Rhodes - College Adviser
- * Mrs. Shifflett - Career Advisor

WHAT TO EXPECT THIS YEAR

Homeroom/Advisory - Get to know your homeroom teacher!

Grade level meetings 1st week of school

Freshman and New Students will meet with counselor (quick meet and greet)

Counseling grade level meetings later on in the year

Individual Academic Career Plan (ACP) meetings with counselors

Graduation Requirements & Diplomas

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Advanced</u>
22 Standard Credits	26 Standard Credits
5 Verified Credits	5 Verified Credits
CTE Credential/AP/DE/Honors	CTE Credential/AP/DE/Honors
CPR/First Aid/AED Training	CPR/First Aid/AED Training
Online Course Experience	Online Course Experience
Economics & Personal Finance	Economics & Personal Finance
2 Sequential Electives	2 Sequential Electives
2 CTE/Fine Art or World Lang (1 of 2 must be CTE or Fine Art)	1 CTE/Fine Art
	3 World Language Credits (or 2 credits of 2 different World Languages)

Standard Credit

22 Standard Credits for the Standard Diploma
26 Standard Credits for the Advanced Diploma

A student successfully meets the objectives of the course and receives a passing grade for the course.

Verified Credit

5 Required:
Science
Math
Social Studies
Reading
Writing

A student successfully meets the objectives of the course, receives a passing grade, and the student achieves a passing score on the corresponding Standards of Learning Test (SOL).

PROMOTION POLICY

Student promotions are made once a year in June after final grades are received

9th grade to 10th grade: 5 credits including 3 core credits

10th grade to 11th grade: 11 credits including 6 core credits

11th grade to 12th grade: A student must have earned enough credits to enable them to complete any remaining courses in time to graduate by May of the upcoming year.

Core classes are defined as English, math, science, social studies and health/PE

HOMEROOM/ADVISORY

Character Development lessons provided on the topics of the MCPS Core Character Traits:

Integrity

Responsibility

Respect

Kindness

American Citizenship

LUNCH PROCEDURES

Lunch will be based on 3rd block class.

Students will only be allowed to eat in the cafeteria during lunch or if they are a Senior, they can eat in the Senior courtyard.

Seniors are released 3 minutes early to lunch as a senior privilege

BREAKFAST & LUNCHES ARE FREE - NO PAYMENT NEEDED

NO food deliveries allowed!

***All teachers will be on lunch duty during this time**

CHROMEBOOK INFORMATION

As the MCPS technology department prepares chromebooks for newly enrolled students, chromebooks will be delivered directly to students and/or students will be contacted to pick them up from either the main office or counseling office.



PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES/CELL PHONE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

1. PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES SHOULD BE PLACED IN CELL PHONES CADDIES LOCATED IN EACH CLASSROOM DURING THE DESIGNATED INSTRUCTIONAL BLOCK TIMES FOR EACH CLASS.
2. CELL PHONES MAY BE USED TO POSITIVELY COMMUNICATE AND ENJOY BEFORE SCHOOL, IN HALLWAYS DURING CLASS CHANGE, LUNCH AND AFTER SCHOOL.
3. CELL PHONES ARE NOT TO BE USED IN BATHROOMS, LOCKER ROOMS OR DRESSING AREAS

Personal electronic devices include any and all personal electronic devices that students can utilize to access notifications on social media accounts or engage in other activities not related to the course during instructional delivery time. This includes devices that go in the ears for listening to music and/or hearing notifications to social media accounts and messaging systems.

DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURES



Bus Riders: Buses will line up in the front of MCHS for drop off and pick up

Car Riders: Students must be dropped off at the back parking lot between 7:45am and 8:10am (**class starts at 8:15am**). Pick ups will be in the same location starting at 3:00pm

Drivers: Must complete Parking Permit application and receive hang tag. Must park in assigned space. Please see Mrs. Farmer in the front office

ATTENDANCE POLICY & PROCEDURES

Students must report to homeroom by 8:15

Late arrivals: Must check in with Attendance to get pass to class

Early Dismissals--notes or calls made in advance when possible and student must check out with Attendance

Madison County Public Schools' Dress Code

MCPS Dress Expectations

Students' clothing should never be see-through as to reveal undergarments or private areas of the undressed body.

Tops with necklines and backlines that fall at or below the armpit crease should not be worn.

Tops must include straps that connect from the front of the shirt to the back.

Clothing should cover the midriff at all times.

Students should only wear eye-wear within buildings that is untinted (unless medically prescribed)

Students may wear head coverings within the school building during the instructional day.

- A. Head coverings must not cover any identifying facial features and ears must be visible.
- B. Head coverings may be restricted under certain circumstances.

Dresses, skirts, shorts and other similarly related clothing should be of appropriate length that covers private areas of the body. The buttocks may not be exposed at any time.

Appropriate and safe shoes must be worn at all times.

Students must wear tennis shoes for participation in Physical Education class.

Tennis shoes can be provided if needed.

Clothing free from language that is profane or images that depict, advertise or advocate illegal, violent or lewd conduct, the unlawful possession or use of weapons, drugs, drug paraphernalia, alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances or are discriminatory.

GET INVOLVED—SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

Grade level involvement & SCA

9th grade advisor: Ms. Mocarski

10th grade advisor: Mrs. Smith

11th grade advisor: Ms. Moritz & Mrs. Kline

12th grade advisor: Mrs. Marshall

Activities: Band, Color Guard, Forensics

Athletics: Numerous Fall, Winter and Spring Activities

VHSL Policy:

- * Must be enrolled in at least 3 courses the semester of
- * Must have passed 3 courses in PREVIOUS semester to be eligible

Visit the MCHS webpage (click on Athletics) for more info.



Frequently Asked Questions

1) When are we getting schedules?

Schedules became available via ParentPortal August 5th - hard copies available today outside of the Counseling Office

2) Can I request a lunch shift?

No, lunch shifts are assigned based on 3rd block teachers

3) Can I change classes to be with friends or a teacher

Not typically, any schedule request changes require a Schedule Change Request Form (Form available in Counseling Office. The approval criteria is outlined on the form.)

4) Lockers?

Lockers are optional, talk to your HR teacher or see Mrs. Farmer in the main office if you'd like one

STAY CONNECTED



- MCPS student email account
- www2.madisonschools.k12.va.us/mchs
- Madison County Public Schools Facebook
- Madison Athletics Facebook
- mchs_info (Instagram)
- sports_mchs (Athletics on IG)
- MCHS Athletics (Twitter)
- Weekly calls and emails from Ms. Taylor

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Questions