



"Passport to the World"

MARVIN RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL PROFILE FOR 2016-17

SCHOOL COUNSELING STAFF

Lori Sgan – Counselor – All Grades (A-G and IB)

Jessica Pierce – Counselor – All Grades (P-Z)

Lisa Stipp – Counselor – All Grades (H-O)

Carlee Wetzler – Student Support Counselor

Dianna Weir – Student Records Coordinator

OUR SCHOOL: Marvin Ridge High School was established August 2007 in Waxhaw, NC. Attributes of the school include:

- Graduation Rates: 99.7% for 2015-16; 99.5% for 2014-2015; 99.4% for 2013-2014; 99.7% for 2012-13; 100% for 2011-12; 99.34% for 2010-11; 97.4% for 2009-2010; 98.1% for 2008-2009
- North Carolina READY Initiative/Accountability Model Performance Composite Testing Results: 90% for 2015-16; 93% for 2014-2015; 85.2% for 2013-2014; 81.1% for 2012-2013
- Conference Athletic Wells Fargo Cup Winner: 2007-2008 through 2015-2016 (nine consecutive years); North Carolina Wells Fargo State Cup Winner 2013-14; North Carolina State Cup Runner-up for 2014-15 and 2015-16
- Diverse Student Life Program with a wide array of extracurricular and co-curricular offerings.

VISION STATEMENT: Marvin Ridge High School will provide a diverse educational experience which will empower our students to succeed as citizens in a changing global community.

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of Marvin Ridge High School is to educate all students in a safe, inspiring, and globally aware environment that promotes respect for diversity, lifelong learning, challenging athletics, and extra-curricular experiences that foster successful living.

COLLEGE PREPARATORY ENVIRONMENT: All students are assigned the **Future Ready** course of study to prepare them for college.

IB WORLD SCHOOL: MRHS participates in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma program. International Baccalaureate schools share a common philosophy—a commitment to a high quality, challenging international education.

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS: Students must graduate with a minimum of 28 Carnegie credit units. Credit requirements for students who transfer to MRHS during their high school years may be fewer.

SCHEDULE: The MRHS curriculum is offered on a 4x4 block schedule for most courses. IB Courses are scheduled as year-long on an A-day/B-day schedule. All students receive daily instruction in four ninety-minute classes, earning a maximum one credit per course.

GRADING SCALE: Union County Public Schools requires the following grading scale/point values. Additional quality points are given for a passing grade (60-100) for specific courses based on the course's academic level.

****Prior to the 2015-16 school year, Union County Public Schools operated on a seven point grading scale.**

** Numeric Grade as of 2015-2016	Non-Weighted Point Value
90-100	4.0
80-89	3.0
70-79	2.0
60-69	1.0
0-69	0.0

Academic Level of Course	Additional Quality Points Given for a Weighted GPA
College Prep	No additional points
Honors	1 additional point
AP (Advanced Placement)	2 additional points
IB (International Baccalaureate)	2 additional points

DISTANCE LEARNING: MRHS offers Distance Learning opportunities to students through the **NC Virtual Public School** (<http://www.ncvps.org/>) and through Union County Virtual on-line courses.

HONORS AND COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES OFFERED AT MRHS

Honors-level courses are offered in the areas of English, Fine Arts, Math, Physical Education, Science, Social Studies, World Language, and Career and Technical Education. Course content, pace, and academic rigor place high expectations on the student and surpass standards specified by Common Core and North Carolina Essential Standards.

HONORS COURSES

Accounting I, II	Chinese III, IV	German III, IV, V	Remember the Holocaust
Advanced Biology Topics	Civics & Economics	Global Awareness	Spanish III, IV, V
Advanced Calculus AB	Computer Programming I, II	Health Science I	Sports and Entertainment Marketing I, II
Advanced Chemistry Topics	Concert Chorus III, IV	Ladies Chorus III, IV	Sports Medicine
Advanced Inquiry/Research	Discrete Math	Marine Science	The Cold War
Advanced Statistics Topics	Earth Science	Marketing	Theatre Arts III, IV
American History I, II	English I, II, III, IV	Marketing Management	Visual Arts III, IV
Anatomy & Physiology	Film Studio I, II	Math II, III	Yearbook III, IV
Band III, IV	Fitness & Nutrition	Men's Chorus III, IV	World History
Biology I	Foods II	Physics	
Business Law	Forensic Science	Pre-Calculus	
Chemistry I	French III, IV, V	Psychology/Sociology	

AP & IB level course content, pace, and academic rigor are college-level as adopted by the College Board and International Baccalaureate Organization. These courses prepare students to take the AP/IB examinations, which may lead to college credit.

AP (ADVANCED PLACEMENT) COURSES

Art-2D Studio	Computer Science	Government-US	Spanish
Art History	English III, IV	Micro Economics	Statistics
Biology	Environmental Science	Macro Economics	US History
Calculus AB	European History	Music Theory	World History
Calculus BC	French	Physics I, II	
Chemistry	German	Psychology	

IB (INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE) COURSES

(These are two-year courses for the Junior and Senior years in the IB Diploma Program)

Biology – Higher Level	French – Standard Level	Mathematics – Standard Level
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Chemistry – Standard Level	German – Standard Level	Spanish – Standard Level
Chinese – Standard Level	History of the Americas – Higher Level	Theory of Knowledge
Computer Science – Standard Level	Information Technology in a Global Society – Higher Level	Visual Arts – Standard Level
English – Higher Level	Math Studies – Standard Level	Visual Arts - Higher Level

STUDENT LED ORGANIZATIONS

African American Association	German Club	Philosophy Club
Alexander Youth Network	German Honor Society	Ping Pong Club
Amnesty International	Guitar Club	Programming Club
Anime Club	HOSA	Recycling Club
AOK	Humane Society	Red Cross Club
Art Club	Interact Club	Robotics Club
Asian Culture Club	International Club	Science National Honor Society
Beta Club	International Thespian Society	Science Olympiad
Book Club	Jian Zhou	Serious for Science
Check!	Key Club	Spanish Honor Society
Chess Club	Maverick Spirit Club	Special Olympics Partners Club
DECA	Maverick Science and Engineering Fair Team	Speech & Debate Club
FBLA – Future Business Leaders of America	Mavs–2–Mavs Tutoring	Spirit
FCA – Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Mu Alpha Theta	Student Council
Family, Career & Community Leaders of America	National Art Honor Society	Tri-M Music Honor Society
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	National Chinese Honor Society	UNICEF
Film Club	National English Honor Society	Walk for Water
Future Investors for America	National Honor Society	Young Democrats
French Club	Odyssey of the Mind	Young Life
French Honor Society	One Nation	Young Republicans