Welcome Parents of the MSHS Class of 2024!

COUNSELOR / STUDENT ASSIGNMENTS

Assignment determined by students' last names.

- \circ A G \rightarrow MR. TIM LYBARGER
- \circ H O \rightarrow MR. KEVIN FLORESS
- \circ P Z \rightarrow MR. NEAL GARRISON

COUNSELING SERVICES

- ACADEMIC COUNSELING
 - Individual conferences for course selection
 - Career counseling
 - Testing (ACT, PSAT, AP, SAT)
 - Military recruiters and college representatives
 - College applications
 - Trade schools
 - Scholarships and financial aid
 - Support services Counselor & Case Manager
- PERSONAL COUNSELING

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Initial visit to MSJHS to distribute registration materials (1/8)
- Follow-up visit to finalize course selections (1/22 1/27)
- Meetings held in the spring and fall for new students & incoming freshmen to provide orientation to MSHS

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MSJHS & MSHS

SHLSM

- Lunch → One grade at a time
- Band & Chorus / Study Hall
- No backpacks
- No cell phones

MSHS

- Lunch → A,B, & C (all grades)
- Band & Chorus alternate days
- Backpacks allowed
- Cell phone use allowed (at times)

ACADEMIC CREDITS

- 20 credits needed to graduate
- Year-long courses = 1 credit
- One-semester courses = ½ credit
- \circ PE = $\frac{1}{4}$ credit
- Driver Education = No credit

ACADEMIC COURSES

REQUIRED

- Course is required for graduation
- If the student fails the course, it must be repeated
- Students are not permitted to drop required courses

ELECTIVES

- Courses students choose to take
- If the student fails the course, it does not have to be repeated
- Students do not receive credit for failed courses

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 4 years of English, including Speech, English 1, English 2, and English 3
- 3 years of Mathematics
- 2 years of Science
- 2 years of Social Studies including
 - 1 year of US History
 - 1 semester of Consumer Education or its equivalent
 - 1 semester of Civics
- 1 years of Career Education or Fine Arts
- o 7 semesters of PE (1 semester will be ½ Driver Education and ½ PE)
- 1 semester of Health

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Meeting these requirements will earn a high school diploma
- These requirements alone will not meet admission requirements for a four-year college
- College admission requires more -- see course guide or website for details (both found at MSHScounselors.com)

COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- In general...
 - 4 years of English
 - 3-4 years of Mathematics
 - 3 years of Science
 - 3 years of Social Studies
 - 2-4 years of Foreign Language
- More competitive schools often require even more

WORLD LANGUAGE

- The University of Illinois is the only public college in the state that requires 2 years of world language for admission
 - 3-4 years needed to graduate
- Illinois State University requires 2 years of world language or 2 years of fine arts for admission
- Some other public colleges do not require world language for admission
 - Depending on the student's major, world language may be required at the college level to graduate

WORLD LANGUAGE RECOMMENDATION

- College-bound students should complete level 2 of a world language in high school (French 2 or Spanish 2)
- It must be the same language (French 1 + Spanish 1 does not equal two years of language)
- Take as many years as you can handle

NCAA ELIGIBILITY

- Division 1 & Division 2
 - 16 core courses + GPA + ACT
 - Counselor should be made aware of this as early as possible
 - NCAA Eligibility Center registration fall of senior year

TYPES OF COURSES AT MSHS

- Regular academics
- Honors & Advanced Placement
- Dual Credit

CLASS RANK, GPA, HONORS POINTS

- GPA is cumulative for all four years
- Plus / minus system for grades
- Honor / AP points

MATH PLACEMENT

- 8th grade math class
- Grades received in 8th grade math
- Standardized Testing
- Homework / Work Ethic
- Matrix Score

ENGLISH PLACEMENT

- Current English grades
- Standardized testing scores
- MAP Reading scores (Fall and Winter)
- A student in regular English 1 could still potentially qualify for Honors English 2

SUMMER SCHOOL

- Speech (Session 1 or 2))
- Driver Education Classroom (2005 Birth dates)
- Students received registration form. Also available to print online at MSHScounselors.com
- Register online beginning January 29th.

DRIVER EDUCATION

- 1st Quarter → April July 2005 Birth dates
- 2nd Quarter → August October 2005 Birth dates
- 3rd Quarter → November 2005 January 2006 Birth dates
- 4th Quarter → February 2006 March 2006 Birth dates

- Must pass 8 classes in two semesters prior to taking Driver Education
 Classroom
- Must have permit for 9 months prior to receiving drivers license

Freshmen choose 2 credits of electives

Two 1 credit (year-long) courses One 1 credit (year-long) course and two ½ credit (one semester) courses Four ½ credit(one semester) courses

Choose from these courses \rightarrow

This sheet is available for download at MSHScounselors.com

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FRESHMAN (9) * One semester of Speech is required 9 or 10

	SEM 1	SEM 2
1	English 1	English 1
2	Math:	Math:
3	Biology	Biology
4	Health or PE	Health or PE
5		
6		
7		

SOPHOMORE (10)

* One semester of Speech is required 9 or 10

St 1	1	SEM 2
1	English 2	English 2
2	Math:	Math:
3	PE	PE
4		
5		
6		
7		

SEM 1

* Consumer Ed requirement must be met 11 or 12

1	English 3	English 3
2	US History	US History
3	Math:	Math:
4	PE	PE
5		
3		

SENIOR (12)

* Consumer Ed requirement must be met 11 or 12

	SEM 2	SEM 1		SEM 2
	English 3	1	English:	
У	US History	2	PE	PE
	Math:	3		
	PE	4		
		5		
		6		
		7		

English 1

Speech Communications

MATHEMATHICS

Pre-Algebra Algebra 1A Algebra 1

Geometry (Honors)

SOCIAL STUDIES

World Geography World Cultures

Introduction to Agriculture

TECHNOLOGY

Introduction to Technology

WORLD LANGUAGES Spanish 1 or 2

French 1 or 2

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE Child Development

Adult Living

DRAMA

Drama 1 Drama 2

Word Processing 1 Orientation to Business

FINE ARTS

Basic Design Crafts

Concert Band Wind Ensemble Concert Choir Chamber Choir Treble Choir Con. Band/Con. Choir Wind Ens./Ch. Choir

ADDITIONAL COURSES

Health

Physical Education Conditioning PE Driver Education

FRESHMAN SERVICES & RESOURCES

- Reading Class
- Guided Study Hall
- Freshman Mentoring Program

SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS

- Log on to Skyward at <u>MSHS website</u>
- Click "Gradebooks" tab

YOUR HOMEWORK

- Freshmen choose 2 credits of electives
 - Two 1 credit (year-long) courses
 - One 1 credit (year-long) course and two ½ credit (one semester)
 courses
 - Four ½ credit(one semester) courses

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