



Welcome Juniors Class of 2025



WHO IS YOUR COUNSELOR ??????

- A - BR Ms. Canose
- BS - GN Ms. Farrow
- GO - MAN Ms. Weinstein
- MAP – RI Ms. Manhart
- RO - Z Mr. Boos
- College and Career Counseling Ms. Persing
- IB Program Ms. Mason



General Requirements for High School Graduation (4-years, 26 credits)

- **4 credits English**
- **4 credits Math** – must include Algebra I and Geometry
- **3 credits Science** – sequence: Bio, Chem, Physics
- **3 credits Social Studies** - W. History, US History, US Gov, Econ
- **1 additional Science OR Social Studies Elective Credit**
- **.5 credit Career Research & Decision Making (9th grade year)**
- **1 credit Health Opportunities for Physical Education (HOPE)**
- **1 credit performing fine art**
- **7.5 credits electives**
- **Total 26 credits***



*** Earn cumulative GPA of at least a 2.0**

*** Rigorous Course requirement: 3 credits in rigorous courses (Honors, AP, or EFSC Dual Enrollment) *OR* 3 credits in one career technical education (CTE) program.**



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL

Students must demonstrate reading, math, and writing proficiency on the **10th grade** test.

- * Any student who does not score a Level 3 on the FSA in reading/writing must take Intensive Language Arts Remediation.**
- All students must pass the Algebra 1 EOC (Level 3)**
- Other acceptable test options:**
 - ACT average of reading/english score – 18**
 - SAT evidenced based reading and writing – 480**
 - SAT math section only – 420**
 - ACT math section only – 16**
 - PSAT math section only – 430**
- All of the above is subject to change with new legislation**



Performing/Fine Arts Credit

- Art (2D or Ceramics)
- Culinary Arts
- Digital Information Technology
- Digital Design
- Engineering 1, 3
- Music (Band, Orchestra, Chorus)
- Theatre, Musical Theatre, or Technical Theatre

Note: 2 years of ROTC = 1 credit HOPE & 1 credit Performing/Fine Arts



Accelerated Programs

(meets rigorous course requirement)

***Advanced Placement**

- **AP World History**
- **AP Computer Science Principles**
- **AP Human Geography**
- **AP Government**
- **IB Psychology 2**
- **IB Biology 2**
- **AP Chemistry**
- **IB Physics**
- **AP US History**
- **AP Microeconomics**
- **AP English Compo**
- **AP English Lit**
- **AP Calculus AB and BC**
- **AP Statistics**
 - **Teacher Recommendation Required**
 - **See Jim Meegan for details**



Accelerated Programs

(meets rigorous course requirement)

*Dual Enrollment

- **AA Degree Courses** (3.0 GPA) & Test Scores
- **AS Degree Courses** (2.5 GPA) & Test Scores
- **Vocational Courses** (2.5 GPA) & Test Scores – very limited
- **Early College Program**
 - Invited semester 2 9th grade based on 3.0 GPA
 - Get Bus to EFSC in 10th grade
 - Tracked specifically for AA degree
- **Part Time Dual Enrollment**
 - Must meet qualifications – GPA, test scores, orientation
 - Want to get some college classes and experience
 - Transportation is not provided
- **Early Admissions – Senior Year**
 - 3.0 GPA by the end of junior year & test scores
 - Meet with counselor to plan early! (most HS graduation requirements must be completed prior to acceptance)



Accelerated Programs

(meets rigorous course requirement)

***IB Career Program**

- Must choose a career path (CTE)
 - Take as an elective each year for 3 years
- 2 IB courses & Personal/Professional Skills course
 - Take Junior & Senior year
 - 1 IB course each year

Career & Technical Education (CTE) Programs at Mel High

(must complete 3 years in the same program)

- Applied Engineering
- Building Construction
- Culinary Arts
- Cyber Security
- Digital Design
- International Business
- Emergency Medical Responder (HS Foundation, Anatomy & Physiology, EMR)
- Patient Care Technology (dual enrollment, senior year only, application required)
- AFJROTC



PROMOTION STATUS

- **You must have 5 credits to be promoted to 10th grade.**
 - Semester grade of "D" or better = .5 credit
 - Algebra 1, Geometry, US History, and Biology are considered yearlong courses. Credit earned is based on the final grade at the end of the year which includes the EOC as 30%. Final grade of "D" or better = 1 credit
- **11th – 11 credits, 2 English & 2 Math**
- **12th – 18 credits, 3 English & 3 Math**



How to Make-Up Failing Classes

(Grades of D/F only)

Retake possibilities:

1. Summer school (Failures only, if funded)
2. Adult Education night school (16 years old if available)
3. On-line courses through FLVS
4. Credit recovery (only available junior and senior year)

***See counselor for further details.**



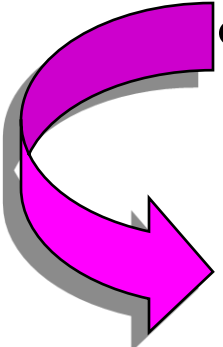
School to Work

Interested in leaving school early to work?

- Application process during 2nd semester
- Earn elective credits
- Must be caught up on all graduation requirements
- Up to three periods off campus



CAREER AND COLLEGE GOALS

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- Career interests affect educational needs.
 - Do some Career Research
 - Think about your Personal Interests
 - Where do you want to go *after* graduation?
 1. **University, Four Year College Program**
 2. **Community College**
 - 2 + 2 Program
 - Career Programs
 3. **Direct Employment or Military Enlistment**



ACTION PLAN FOR 11TH GRADE

- **Get serious and organized about school work!!**
- **Work on maintaining a decent GPA (necessary for Bright Futures and dual enrollment.**
- **Start working on a CTE program and/or honor courses to meet graduation requirements.**
- **Get involved in clubs and extracurricular activities.**
- **Choose high school courses carefully.**
- **Prepare for the SAT in the fall**
- **Think:**
 - **Where do you want to be in three years?**
 - **How will you get there?**



National Merit Scholarship

- Take the PSAT this year. Sign up with the testing coordinator.



Common App

- <https://www.commonapp.org/>
- Apply to colleges
- Most colleges are on Common app
- Make sure to put down your counselor (spelled correctly)
- <https://www.commonapp.org/apply/essay-prompts>
- 7 essay prompts



Sat/ACT

- <https://www.collegeboard.org/>
- <https://www.act.org/content/act/en.html>



Ultimate Goal:

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HIGH
Class of
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