# What is important your 9th grade year?

## Make an appointment with your counselor

You can work with the counselor you feel most connected

Request an appointment on the Guidance website

## Credits Needed for Graduation

- 4 English
- 4 Math (including Alg. 2)
- 3 Social Studies
- 3 Science (Biology, physical, other)
- 5 Financial Literacy
- .5 credits health, .5 credits PE or 2 waivers, 1 fine art (or 2 sem. at the middle school), 3.5 credits electives = 20 credits total

You are the number one person responsible when making your schedule

### Graduation Requirements for class of 2026

- 1) Get your 20 credits
- 2) Show competency (score of 684) by passing Alg. 1 and ELA 2 End of Course Exams

Testing not your strength? You can do the following

- Demonstrate 2 career focused activities (available at the KCCC)
- Enlist in the military
- Complete college coursework

3) Show readiness by earning 2 of the following diploma seals.

#### At least one of the two must be Ohio-designed:

- Military Enlistment Seal (Ohio)
- ☐ Citizenship Seal (Ohio)
- □ Science Seal (Ohio)
- Honors Diploma Seal (Ohio)
- Technology Seal (Ohio)
- □ Community Service Seal (Local)
- Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Seal (Ohio)
- Industry-Recognized Credential Seal (Ohio)
- College Ready Seal (Ohio)
- □ Seal of Biliteracy (Ohio)
- ☐ Fine and Performing Arts Seal (Local)
- Student Engagement Seal (Local)

#### End of Course Exams

- Tested courses are:
  - English 10
  - Algebra 1
  - Geometry
  - □ Biology
  - US History
  - Government

#### **Earning Credits**

- □ To be promoted to 10<sup>th</sup> grade earn at least 5 credits (in student handbook online p. 28)
- A credit is earned by passing a full year class or two semester classes
- Once a credit is earned, you will not lose it
- Have to repeat any required class you do NOT pass

## Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Eligibility

See online Handbook - Page 32-35

Maintain GPA

Pass 5 classes previous nine weeks

#### Start Now...Get Involved

- Join a club, organization, or sport
- You will meet new people and explore new interests
- Colleges want to see involvements beyond academics
- Become a leader and provide service to others

#### GPA – Grade Point Average

- Cumulative beginning in 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- Calculated using semester grades (see online handbook p. 27)
- Primary consideration for colleges
- Work hard during 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- Poor grades in 9<sup>th</sup> are hard to overcome

#### Homework is Important!

- You will not pass your classes without doing homework.
- If you have an excused absence, email your teacher and check Google Classroom.
- You only have as many days as you were out to make up your work!
- It is YOUR job to check to see what you missed!
- Check your ProgressBook regularly. See your counselor for login help.

#### Career Planning

- Go to Naviance, click Self-Discovery
- Click on Career Interest Profiler
- Complete the survey
- Top 3 areas are your strongest interest
- Add 1 Career Clusters to your favorites

#### Tutoring Help Available

- Set up a time to meet with a teacher after school
- Arrange to meet a teacher during HIVE
- Be sure to ask your teacher for help.
- Soon there will be help available during HIVE in the library (See your counselor-details to come later)
- Jacket Tables will start September 20 (See your counselor-you must be referred)

#### Join Guidance Remind

Text @2026mtv to 81010

We will keep you updated on deadlines, meetings, etc.

#### Naviance

Find on the guidance web page at www.mvcsd.us/High School/

Click on big blue button that says Naviance

User name:

26 firstinitial lastname@stu.mvcsd.us

Reset for your password

Log-in and click on 'Self-Discovery' and start the Career Interest Profiler

#### Counselor Information

- Contact us at (740)393-5900 at these extensions:
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