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JUNIOR CLASS MEETING

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- ENGLISH – 4 CREDITS (1/2 U.S. LITERATURE, 1/2 COMPOSITION)
- MATH – 4 CREDITS (INCLUDING ALG.2)
- SCIENCE – 3 CREDITS (BIOLOGY, PHYSICAL, OTHER)
- SOCIAL STUDIES – 3 CREDITS (US HISTORY, WORLD HISTORY, AMERICAN GOVT)

REQUIREMENTS - CONTINUED

- HEALTH – $\frac{1}{2}$ CREDIT
- P.E. – $\frac{1}{2}$ CREDIT (2 SEMESTERS) OR 2 WAIVERS
- FINANCIAL LITERACY - $\frac{1}{2}$ CREDIT
- FINE ART – 1 CREDIT
- ELECTIVES – $3 \frac{1}{2}$ CREDITS
- TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION - 20

NEW GRADUATION WITH HONORS REQUIREMENTS

Students must meet **all but one** of the following criteria.

Requirements	State Minimum
1 Math	Fourth math must be > Algebra 2
2 Science	One additional unit Advanced Science
3 Social Studies	One additional unit Social Studies
4 World Languages *	<i>Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied</i>
5 GPA *	<i>3.5 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted)</i>
6 ACT/SAT *	<i>ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher</i>
7 Seal Requirement	Earn two additional diploma seals, not including Honors Diploma Seal
8 Experiential Learning	Field Experience & Portfolio, OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal*, or Work-Based Learning

**Students may replace one requirement of either 4, 5 or 6 with a “Student Strength Demonstration.”*

NEW GRADUATION WITH HONORS REQUIREMENTS (continued)

Student Strength Demonstration Replacement

Students can use the Student Strength Demonstration to replace one of either the **ACT/SAT, GPA or World Language** requirement for any Honors Diploma. The Student Strength Demonstration options are listed below. The same options exist for each of the six honors diplomas* but, where relevant, should reflect coursework or experiences relevant to the theme of the Diploma. For example, a student earning the Academic Honors Diploma and using the College Credit Plus option to replace another requirement for the diploma should have College Credit Plus courses relevant to the Academic Honors diploma.

Options:

[College Credit Plus](#): 12 total College Credit Plus credit hours

[Advanced Placement](#): three courses with score of 3 or higher on AP tests

[Career-Technical Assurance Guide](#) (CTAG): 12 total credits

[Apprenticeship/Pre-Apprenticeship](#): Completion or Evidence of Acceptance if required to be older than 18

[WorkKeys](#): Score of 6 or higher on all tests (*void for Career-Tech Honors Diploma)

[Armed Services Vocational Battery](#): Score of 50 or above on the ASVAB

[Work-Based Learning](#): 250 total hours of work-based learning

[Graduating with Honors](#) (link to full explanation and requirements)

GRADUATION TESTING REQUIREMENTS

It's Your **Future.** Get **Ready.**

Before you know it, you'll be receiving your high school diploma. Ohio is giving you new ways to show the world what you can do with it.

As a student entering ninth grade on or after **July 1, 2019**, Ohio's new high school graduation requirements give you more flexibility to choose a graduation pathway that builds on your strengths and passions – one that ensures you are ready for your next steps and excited about the future.

First, cover the basics

You must earn a minimum total of 20 credits in specified subjects and take your required tests. Then, decide how you will round out your diploma requirements.

English language arts	4 credits
Health	½ credit
Mathematics	4 credits
Physical education	½ credit
Science	3 credits
Social studies	3 credits
Electives	5 credits

Other Requirements

You also must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy and complete at least two semesters of fine arts. Your district may require more than 20 credits to graduate.

Second, show competency

Earn a passing score on Ohio's high school Algebra I and English II tests. Students who do not pass the test will be offered additional support and must retake the test at least once.

Is testing not your strength? After you have taken your tests, there are three additional ways to show competency!

Option 1.

Demonstrate Two Career-Focused Activities': Foundational

Proficient scores on WebXams
A 12-point industry credential
A pre-apprenticeship or acceptance into an approved apprenticeship program

Supporting

Work-based learning
Earn the required score on WorkKeys Earn the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

Option 2.

Enlist in the Military

Show evidence that you have signed a contract to enter a branch of the U.S. armed services upon graduation.

Option 3.

Complete College Coursework

Earn credit for one college-level math and/or college-level English course through Ohio's free College Credit Plus program.

GRADUATION TESTING REQUIREMENTS CONTINUED

Third, show readiness

Earn two of the following diploma seals, choosing those that line up with your goals and interests. These seals give you the chance to demonstrate academic, technical and professional skills and knowledge that align to your passions, interests and planned next steps after high school.

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

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

Want to learn more? Contact your school counselor or visit education.ohio.gov/graduation

SEAL FORMS

- Student Engagement Seal [Student Engagement Seal](#)
- Community Service Seal [Community Service Seal](#)
- Fine and Performing Arts Seal [Fine and Performing Arts Seal](#)
- Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal [OMJ Readiness Seal](#)

Ohio End of Course Exams

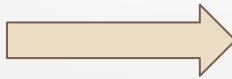
6 Tested Courses:

- English 10
- Algebra 1



Competency Score of 684
needed on both

- US History
- Government



Score of 3 or higher needed
on both to get Citizenship
seal (or final grade of B or
better in class)

- Biology



Score of 3 or higher needed
to get Science seal (or final
grade of B or higher in
advanced science class)

- Geometry


ACT

The ACT will be given to all interested juniors free of charge on
February 25, 2025

There will be a google form that parents can fill out if students want to opt
out of taking the ACT



PLANNING FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

- MILITARY? WORK? COLLEGE? ADULT ED?
 - WHAT EMPLOYERS ARE LOOKING FOR IN AN EMPLOYEE
 - WHAT THE MILITARY WANTS IN A RECRUIT
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COLLEGE PLANNING

- USE AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR PLANNING
COUNSELORS ARE A GOOD PLACE TO START
- TAKE ACT OR SAT
- MVHS SCHOOL CEEB CODE – 363-565
- CHECK TRANSCRIPT

JUNIOR YEAR IS A GOOD YEAR TO START LOOKING AT COLLEGES

- YOU ARE THE MAIN PERSON WHO HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR PLANS AND INVESTIGATION OF COLLEGES AND CAREERS.
- SEE YOUR COUNSELOR WITH ANY QUESTIONS AND FOR IDEAS ABOUT HOW TO GET STARTED.

KNOX COUNTY COLLEGE NIGHT


- MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th, 6:30-8 PM @
ENERGY FIELDHOUSE
- GREAT WAY TO SEE COLLEGE
REPRESENTATIVES

COLLEGE CAMPUS VISITS

- SCHEDULE ON OWN TIME IF POSSIBLE. SUMMER IS A GOOD TIME FOR VISITS. BY THIS TIME NEXT YEAR YOU SHOULD HAVE NARROWED DOWN TO ABOUT THREE COLLEGES YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.
- ALLOWED 2 DAYS OUT OF SCHOOL
- GET PRE-PLAN FROM ATTENDANCE OFFICE AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.
- NOTIFY YOUR TEACHERS AHEAD OF TIME
- BRING BACK NOTE FROM COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OFFICE



WHAT COLLEGES LOOK FOR

- GRADE POINT AVERAGE
 - SAT OR ACT SCORES FOR SOME COLLEGES
 - INVOLVEMENT IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
 - INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
 - LEADERSHIP ROLES
 - ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU VOLUNTEER
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JOIN REMIND

- TEXT TO: 81010
- TYPE THE MESSAGE: @2026MTV2
- GREAT WAY TO GET UPDATES, DEADLINE FOR ACT/SAT, AND OTHER GUIDANCE INFORMATION

NCAA AND NAIA ELIGIBILITY

- IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING PLAYING SPORTS IN COLLEGE, YOU NEED TO APPLY TO THE NCAA AND THE NAIA CLEARINGHOUSE BY THE END OF 11TH GRADE.
- WWW.ELIGIBILITYCENTER.ORG
- WWW.PLAYNAIA.ORG
- FILL OUT APPLICATION ONLINE.
- COMPLETE A TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM.
- CHECK TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE TAKING NEEDED CORE COURSES.
- TALK TO HIGH SCHOOL COACH; TALK TO COLLEGE COACHES AND MR. SANFORD DURING YOUR JUNIOR YEAR

SCHOLARSHIPS AND WEBSITES

DO NOT PAY ANY MONEY FOR SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION OR SERVICES.

- RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN GUIDANCE AND LIBRARY
- WWW.FASTWEB.COM
- WWW.SCHOLARSHIPS.COM
- WWW.FINAID.ORG
- WWW.SCHOLARSTUFF.COM
- WWW.SCHOLARSHIPQUESTHELPER.COM

NAVIANCE

FIND ON GUIDANCE PAGE AT

WWW.MVCSD.US/HIGHSCHOOL/

USERNAME:

26FIRSTINITIALLASTNAME@STU.MVCSD.US

PASSWORD: CLICK “FORGOT PASSWORD”


A LINK WILL BE SENT TO YOUR EMAIL TO RESET
YOUR PASSWORD

TASKS FOR JUNIOR YEAR ON NAVIANCE

- ADD A COLLEGE YOU ARE THINKING ABOUT
IF COLLEGE IS THE DIRECTION YOU ARE THINKING
- COMPLETE GAME PLAN
LOGIN AND IT SHOULD BE ON THE BOTTOM LEFT AS AN ASSIGNED TASK.
- BEGIN COMPILING INFORMATION FOR A RESUME



COLLEGE REPS AND MILITARY ²²RECRUITER VISITS

- READ ANNOUNCEMENTS TELLING WHEN REPS AND RECRUITERS WILL BE HERE
 - SIGN UP ON NAVIANCE
 - RIGHT NOW, MOST VISITS ARE IN PERSON
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A.S.V.A.B TESTING

- ARMED SERVICES VOCATIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY
- THURSDAY, OCT. 3RD, 2024
- IN MVHS LIBRARY, PERIODS 1- 4
- MEASURES SKILLS AND ABILITIES IN PERCEPTUAL SPEED, MECHANICAL SKILLS, ACADEMIC AREAS.
- SIGN UP ON NAVIANCE
- FIRST 60 STUDENTS TO SIGN UP ARE ALL THAT CAN BE ACCEPTED
- CAN BE USED FOR HONORS DIPLOMA STUDENT STRENGTH DEMONSTRATION WITH A SCORE OF 50 OR HIGHER

PSAT

- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23 GIVEN AT THE HIGH SCHOOL: PERIODS 1-4
- \$18.00 MADE PAYABLE TO MOUNT VERNON HIGH SCHOOL
- REGISTER IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE
- REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 5

ACT TESTING SCHEDULE 24-25

School Code 363-565

Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline	Photo Deadline
September 14, 2024	August 9	August 25	September 6
October 26, 2024	September 20	October 7	October 18
December 14, 2024	November 8	November 22	December 6
February 8, 2025	January 3	January 20	January 31
April 5, 2025	February 28	March 16	March 28
June 14, 2025	May 9	May 26	June 6
July 12, 2025*	June 6	June 20	July 4

ACT no writing \$63

ACT w/writing \$88

(fee waivers are available for those who qualify. See your school counselor)

SAT SCHEDULE 24-25

SAT Test Date*	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes, Regular Cancellation, and Late Registration
Oct 5, 2024	Sept 20, 2024	Sept 24, 2024
Nov 2, 2024	Oct 18, 2024	Oct 22, 2024
Dec 7, 2024	Nov 22, 2024	Nov 26, 2024
Mar 8, 2025	Feb 21, 2025	Feb 25, 2025
May 3, 2025	Apr 18, 2025	April 22, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025	May 27, 2025

SAT \$55 (fee waivers are available for those who qualify. See your school counselor.)


ACT AND SAT WEB-SITES

- ACT – [MY.ACT.ORG](https://my.act.org)

- SAT – [SAT.ORG/REGISTER](https://sat.org/register)



HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!

- KEEP FOCUSED IN CLASS
 - STAY ACTIVE – CHOOSE ACTIVITIES YOU ENJOY
AND ENJOY THE ACTIVITIES YOU CHOOSE
 - MAINTAIN A GOOD BALANCE IN YOUR LIFE
 - MAKE WISE CHOICES
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COUNSELOR INFORMATION

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