

MHS Learning Platforms Course Options, & Registration

> Welcome, Class of 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023!

parent education program

- BlendEd classes
- Virtual Learning Academy
- P/AP & AP
- Dual Credit
- GT

- Career Center
- AVID
- ROTC
- PSAT Team/ACT-SAT Prep
- Counselors

Q&A session following the presentation.

BlendEd Classes:

✓ A "blend" of face to face & online learning

- Students can work from home on "flex days" & attend class on face to face days
- Options for flex day study locations
- Improve study habits & student/teacher communication
- Offers personalized learning & support
- ✓ Available in a variety of subjects

Virtual Learning Academy:

- ✓ Online learning for core & electives
- Promotes time management & being a self-directed student
- ✓ Good summer option to open up schedule during the academic year
- ✓ Available year round (Fall, Spring, & Summer)
- ✓ See <u>vla.lisd.net</u> for course listing
- Register via Skyward >>Online Forms
 - Requires pre-approval by counselor

Pre-AP & AP Courses:

- creates a climate of academically motivated students
- ✓ goes deeper into the TEKS but has same curriculum as regular class
- ✓ may involve more study time outside of class
- ✓ carries a weighted multiplier towards GPA:
 - AP-Level 3 P/AP-Level 2 Regular-Level 1
- consider <u>balance</u> in coursework & other activities when weighing options
- ✓ uses Level-Down guidelines if needed (after 3 weeks or 9 weeks)
- ✓ AP courses offer an AP test at the end of the course for approx \$100 for college credit, depending on student's score

Dual Credit Courses:

- earn MHS credit & NCTC college hours simultaneously
 some courses taught on MHS campus (others at NCTC Parker Square)
- ✓ Recommended 3.0 GPA to enroll
- Courses available during school year and/or summer
- Excellent tuition value
- ✓ Grades post to NCTC & LISD transcript
- Counts as additional multiplier in GPA
- See counselor to apply & for approved list of courses

Grades 10, 11 & 12

G/T Course Options:

- ✓ for students identified as gifted learners in LISD
- ✓ access to core classes designated solely for G/T students
- ✓ taught by teachers who are highly trained to best meet the unique needs of G/T learners
- ✓ allows G/T students to effectively communicate & collaborate
- ✓ offers atmosphere that promotes creativity & innovation
- ✓ promotes self-awareness & social consciousness
- encourages scholarly behaviors that discover, develop, & leverage capacity
- ✓ same GPA weights as their respective P/AP or AP course.

LISD Collegiate Academy:

- ✓ earn Associate's degree or up to 60 Dual Credit hours while in high school
- ✓ excellent tuition value
- $\checkmark\,$ located at The Colony HS
- ✓ accepted students receive transfers
- college coursework provided via Collin College
- \checkmark students accepted by application
- Counts as additional multiplier in GPA
- ✓ Full and half credits courses available
- ✓ see your 8th grade counselor for more info

enter in Grade 9

Career Center Classes:

- ✓ Great course options that tie in w/college majors
- Innovative electives not offered at home campus
- ✓ 4th Science/Math classes available
- ✓ Numerous certification programs available
- ✓ Scheduled for two periods/two credits per semester
- Practicums available
- Busses available; students eat lunch at their home campus
- Career Center East: <u>http://lisd.net/cce</u>
- ✓ Dale Jackson Career Center: <u>http://lisd.net/djcc</u>

COMMUNITY NIGHT THE CAREER CENTERS



JANUARY 24TH 5:30-7:00

ALL LISD COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE INVITED



FIND A PIECE OF YOUR FUTURE

AVID elective:

- ✓ a college preparation elective class for grades 9 12
- ✓ teaches study skills & organization to optimize success
- \checkmark infuses college knowledge throughout the course
- ✓ provides a sense of community- AVID "family"
- ✓ ideal for the academic middle, first generation college student, or first time P/AP student
- ✓ Requires application & interview
- ✓ partners with an advanced core class
- ✓ See <u>www.avid.org</u> for national website

ROTC

- Absolutely NO requirement to join the military and NOT just for students who want to join the military
- Fun elective course that can earn both a PE credit & a Public Service Endorsement
- ✓ A place to EARN leadership experience & rank
- Place where cadets learn to "think beyond themselves and this moment"
- ✓ A place to "belong" & have a sense of family
- Unique course with unique & memorable experiences
- College scholarship opportunities

PSAT Team & SAT/ACT Prep

PSAT Team is by invitation only
 Top 128 Sophomore scores are invited to the Team
 First nine-weeks of the year

SAT Prep is open enrollmentSecond nine-weeks of the year



Classes of 2020, 2021, & 2022 Registration Dates:

- Jan 16: Students received registration packets via Marauder Time
- Jan 23: MHS registration due in Skyward. Course Card due to MT teacher.
- Jan. 28 Feb 8 MHS students meet with counselors via 2nd period class
- Feb 15: Current Freshman meet MHS counselors when called for during the day

~ current Freshman, Sophomores & Juniors ~

Registration Reminders

- Course selection will be done in the Student's SKYWARD account.
- Select 8 Credits, 6 Alternates
- Pick classes & alternates wisely read the CDG
- Not on course card, your grade level cannot take
- Consult with current teachers for appropriate courses
- Obtain all necessary signatures- designated with an (*)
- Can NOT honor semester, teacher, class period, or lunch requests
- Not attending Marcus next year? MUST complete course request card
- Failing? Recover credits in Summer School or Credit Recovery

Class of 2023 Registration Dates:

Jan. 28 - 30: M9 registration packets go home. M9 counselors visit middle schools.

January 30: 6 - 8pm; Marcus9's, "Marcus At-a-Glance" electives fair & parent meeting, in the M.A.C.

February 7: 8th graders turn in registration paperwork to designated MS teacher

~ current 8th graders ~



Save the Date! Wed. Feb. 27, 6:00pm Marcus HS- Sigler Auditorium

Next PEP session: "ANGST," the movie

<u>movie trailer</u>



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~ open to middle & high schoolers, parents too! ~



Thank you for coming!

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Staff: Sign in for LISD credit. Students: pick up service hours slip.