

Welcome Class of 2025

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Daily Routine and Counseling

Arrival

- Arrival/drop-off begins at 7 am
- Report to cafeteria until 7:15 am
- Report to classrooms between 7:15 -7:30 am
- Car riders- Parking lot by stadium **or** sidewalk along side of building
- Buses- Front circle/steps
- Students arriving after 7:30 am must enter through front office



Attendance Expectations

- Turn any attendance notes into front office upon arrival to school or have a parent email mhs.attendance@fcps.org.
- Absence notes must be turned in to the attendance office **within 2 days** of returning from an absence.
 - Missing more than 5 days of school or 5 days of a class may result in failure for the term.
- Late students must obtain a pass from attendance office before reporting to class.
- Sleeping in, running late, and car trouble are not approved excuses
 - Accumulating unexcused tardies will result in disciplinary action

Daily Schedule

- Bell Schedule
 - Block 1: 7:30-8:50
 - Block 2: 8:55-10:20
 - Block 3: KnightQuest 10:25 - 10:55
 - Block 4: 11:00 -12:50 (Including Lunch)
 - Block 5: 12:55 -2:15
- 80 minute blocks
- 5 minute transitions between classes



School Supplies

- Remember... you only have 4 classes a semester.
- Teachers will indicate specific supplies on their syllabus.
- Math usually requires graphing calculator- loaners are available
- Chromebooks are required everyday!
 - Charge every night
 - Bring charger as back-up
 - Check your Chromebook now
 - Chromebooks available at Open House

Lockers

- Locker use is voluntary
- Lockers can be used during any transition
- Gym lockers are assigned when taking PE class or participating in sports
- Locks provided for all lockers

*If you would like a locker, see Ms. Bertulaitis in the Counseling Office during the first week of school (KQ, Lunch, or After School).

Lunch



- 30 min lunch shift determined by Block 4 class
 - 1st Shift 10:55 - 11:25
 - 2nd Shift 11:35 - 12:05
 - 3rd Shift 12:20 - 12:50
- First-Come seating
- Two open lines for lunches & snacks
- Lunch free for all students, all year
- Outside seating is for seniors only
- Students may only leave lunch to access media center
- Students cannot leave campus for lunch
- Use only restrooms in the main hallway/cafeteria



Dismissal



- Regular day ends at 2:15pm
- No student is permitted in the building or on the property after 2:30pm, unless under direct supervision of teacher, coach, or advisor.
- Students are only permitted to ride assigned bus.
- High school students are not permitted to ride buses home with others
- Buses will be parked along Schoolhouse Drive and stadium parking lot. Ask your driver where they will be parked.
- Car riders should be picked up in back lot.

Credit Requirements

- 25 Credits required for a diploma
 - 4 English
 - 4 Math (1 per year)
 - 3 Science
 - 3 Social Studies
 - Art
 - Technology
 - Financial Literacy
 - Health
 - PE
 - Program of Completion
- Participation in state assessments: English 10, Government, Biology, Algebra
- 6 credits needed a year to be promoted to next grade level

Importance of Good Grades

- Weight and significance of grades are the same in 9th grade as they are in 11th and 12th grade.
- Think about the long-term impact
 - Scholarships
 - College Applications
 - CTC, work study, dual enrollment, internships, etc
- Term grades impact eligibility for extracurricular activities:
 - Band
 - Athletics
 - Drama

*Need 2.5 GPA and no Fs for the term.

Tip for Success

- Review and understand each teacher's policies and expectations
- Regularly monitor grades on Schoology
- Keep track of important due dates and turn things in on time.
- Check Schoology messages and teacher announcements
- Advocate for yourself- either in person or electronically
- Use KQ to review grades, communicate with teachers, study, start homework
- Ask for help! There are several opportunities for additional support during the school day and after.

Who is your Counselor?

Last Names A-D → Ms. Bagnell

Last Names E-K → Ms. Brashear

Last Names L-Rod → Ms. Phelps

Last Names Roe-Z → Ms. Langley

Where is a counselor?

Counselors are throughout the building every day.

You will see them....

- In the cafeteria in the morning
- In the cafeteria during lunch shifts
- In the hallways throughout the day and at the end of the day

*If you have a question, see **any** counselor at any time. We are all here to assist you. If your question is private or requires more time, make an appointment with your counselor.

When you might meet with them

1. Schedule Change
2. Academic and College Planning
3. Time of Crisis

Reasons to Change Schedule

1. You were placed in the wrong class (ex. Algebra 1 is in your schedule, but you need to take Geometry)
2. To change levels (ex. on-grade to Honors or vice versa)
3. Your schedule is VERY unbalanced (ex. all electives are in 1 semester and all academics are in the other)
4. You need to repeat a course that you failed

Schedule Changes during school year

Changes in schedules are difficult to accommodate

Process

1. Obtain green form from Counseling Center
2. Fill out form, have parent sign form
3. Turn in form to the Counseling office
4. Your counselor will respond to your request

** Schedule change requests must be completed in first 5 days of the semester.

Academic Planning

You will meet with your counselor in the Spring to talk about your 4 year plan

Things to Consider

1. Graduation Requirements
2. College Goals
3. Career Goals
4. Taking Rigorous Courses *all 4 years*
5. G.P.A

Time of Crisis

What do you do when you are in a crisis?

If the crisis requires IMMEDIATE attention, ask your teacher in private to come to the counseling center. Your teacher will call to see if a counselor is available.

If the crisis is not immediate, come to the counseling center to make an appointment with your counselor. You will get a pass delivered to your class at the time of your appointment.

Naviance



Our web-based college and career readiness tool
It is FULL of resources for you to use
You will use it all 4 years

student.naviance.com/middleths

Questions???

Thank you for your time and we look forward to working with all of you the next 4 years!