WELCOME TO ACADEMIC & CAREER PLANNING NIGHT!
Virginia’s Profile of a High School Graduate

- The Profile of a Virginia Graduate describes the knowledge, skills, competencies, experiences and attributes that students must attain to be prepared for success in college and/or the work force and to be “life ready”

- A “life-ready” Virginia graduate must have:
  - Academic and technical knowledge (content knowledge)
  - Productive workplace skills, qualities, and behaviors (workplace skills)
  - Build connections and value interactions with others as a responsible and responsive citizen (community engagement and civic responsibility)
  - Align knowledge, skills and personal interests with career opportunities (career exploration)
The High School Experience

- **Early years of High School:** Emphasize the development of core skill sets

- **Later years of High School:** Establish multiple paths toward college and career readiness (including opportunities for internships, externships, and credentialing)

**Academic & Career Planning Night**

- Important part of our career planning efforts
- Designed/structured to help students make informed scheduling and career path decisions
- Introduce course offerings and show where courses fit into the 16 career clusters
What the high school courses are based on

- To be successful in life, graduates need skills and attributes such as the "5 C's":
  - Critical thinking
  - Creative thinking
  - Communication
  - Collaboration
  - Citizenship

- Identifying the knowledge and skills that students should attain in high school

- Development of core skill sets in the early years of high school

- Establish multiple pathways toward college and career readiness for students to follow, that includes internships, externships, and credentialing
ACADEMIC & CAREER PLANNING
COURSE REGISTRATION & SCHEDULING

- When scheduling courses, we ideally consider ACPs.

- As we look at career clusters, we will determine in which areas we need more courses in the future.

- The MCPS Program of Studies is organized by “Career Pathways” as well as by content areas.

Here is a link to the program of studies:

The Program of studies can also be found on the Auburn High School webpage under the school counseling tab.
THE SCHEDULING PROCESS

1. School counselors will visit classes to complete registration form & online PowerSchool registration at school (edits can be made at home)

2. Registration form will come home for signature by parent/guardian

3. School counselor will meet with each student to confirm requests.

4. Verification sheets will be sent home with 3rd and 4th nine-weeks report cards with instructions on how to make changes.
Jan. School Board Approval of Program of Studies

Jan. Final Program of Studies & Course Registration Sheets Provided to High Schools

1/23 Academic and Career Planning Nights

2/14 Rising 9th Grade Course Registration collected

3/6 Rising 10th-12th Grade Course Registration collected

7/16 Schedules Mailed Home
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
For students in the class of 2022, 2023, 2024, and beyond

### Standard Diploma Credit Requirements

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TYPICAL FRESHMAN YEAR
English 9
Math
Earth Science
World History I
HPDE 9
Electives (3)

Pass English 9
AND
Earn at least
5 total credits

TYPICAL SOPHOMORE YEAR
English 10
Math
Biology
World History II
HPDE 10
Electives (3)

Pass English 10
AND
Earn at least
11 total credits

TYPICAL JUNIOR YEAR
English 11
Math
Science
US History
Electives (4)

Pass English 11
AND
Earn at least
17 total credits

TYPICAL SENIOR YEAR
English 12
Math
Science Elective
US Government
Electives (4)
English

_____ 11300 English 9
_____ 1130H English 9 Honors

**NOTE:** To address the needs of students who have struggled to meet SOL Reading and Writing Test requirements, MCPS provides needs-based, high school English classes to prepare students for success. Students are assigned to these classes based on SOL test scores and performance on a screening assessment. Parents will be informed if their student has met the placement criteria.
Mathematics

MCPS provides a comprehensive mathematics program to promote the achievement of every student. A key component of our program is ensuring that all secondary students are placed in mathematics courses that deliver an appropriate level of challenge. All MCPS high schools collect and analyze multiple pieces of student data in order to make placement decisions, including grades, test scores, and teacher recommendations. Parents will be informed of mathematics placement decisions for the coming school year prior to the end of the current school year.

(FOR TEACHER USE ONLY)

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Students who have successfully completed Algebra II may register for elective Mathematics courses.
Associate Degrees offered by MCPS

Three are offered see pages 59 - 63 in the High School Program of Studies.

- Associates Degree in Arts and Sciences in General Studies
- Associates Degree in Computer Science Specialization
- NRCC Registered Nurse Program
WORK-BASED LEARNING

Job Shadowing – Mentorship – Internship

On Course Registration Sheets for Juniors and Seniors:

- **External** – Varied opportunities *(NO OTHER EARLY RELEASES 2020-2021)*

- **Internal** – Technology Support, Virginia Teachers for Tomorrow, Maintenance, Athletic Trainer, Lighting & Sound