

WELCOME TO FORT MILL HIGH SCHOOL

FRESHMEN ORIENTATION

PRINCIPAL ZACH BEAM

Been a part of the Fort Mill Family since 2017

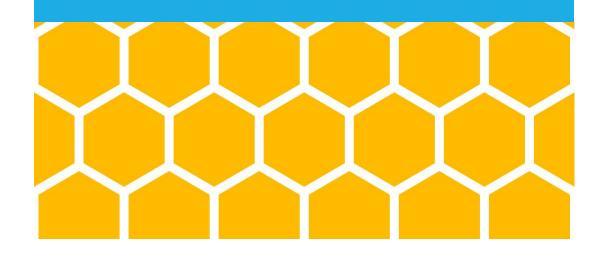
I have taught here, been assistant principal here, and now have the honor to be the Principal of one of the best high schools in the state

Fort Mill High School is my home!

















WE ARE BIG!

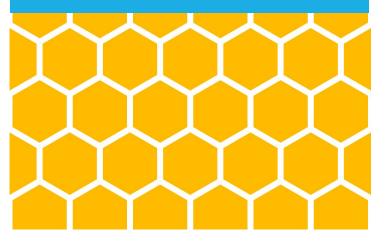
Current Enrollment--2022

9-12-- 2049 students

Staff Members--176

450,000 square feet on over 100 acres





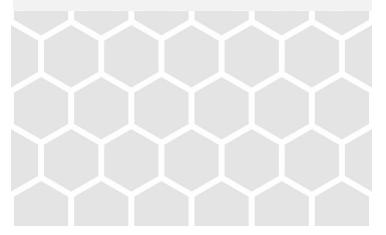
WE ARE COMPETITIVE!

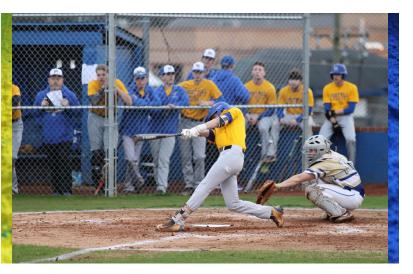
2 Team State Championships

Emmy Award-Winning Broadcast, The Buzz

Nationally recognized Marching Band

Award winning Academic Team, Mock Trial, and Model UN











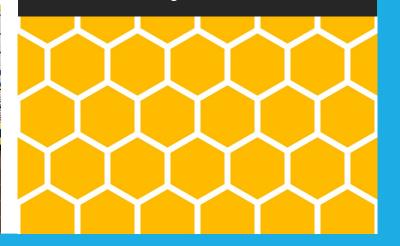






WE ARE SUCCESSFUL!

96.1% Graduation Rate
EOCs - 83% Overall Pass Rates
89.3% Overall AP Exam Pass Rate
\$13 Million Scholarships
2018 National Blue Ribbon School
2021BRSE Lighthouse School





WE ARE INVOLVED!

The Yellow Jacket Universe raised more than \$40,000 supporting Special Olympics and cancer research over the last 2 years.

Student Council

Equality Club

Pink-Out Committee

Beta Club

Key Club

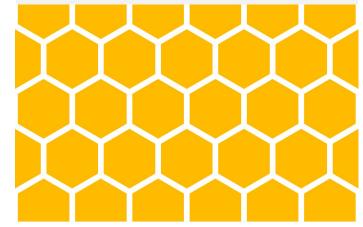
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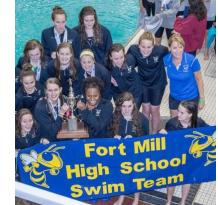
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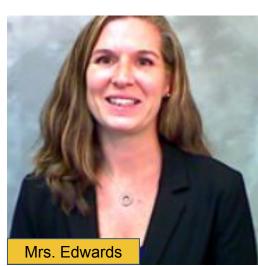
OUR TEAM

Zach Beam, Principal Ellen Borland, Assistant Principal Meredith Edwards, Assistant Principal Daniel Lewis, Assistant Principal TBA, Assistant Principal Toni Weber, Assistant Principal













SPECIAL ATTENTION

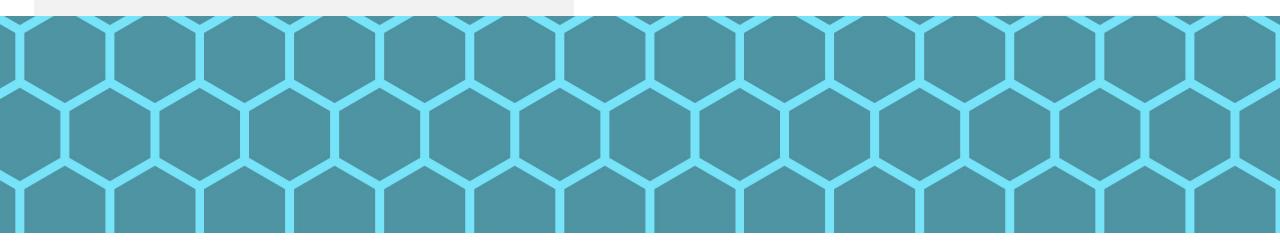
Dedicated Wing

Dedicated Principal

Dedicated Commons Area

Dedicated Counselors

Meredith Edwards, R-Wing Assistant Principal Courtney Kountz, Counselor A-K Adrienne Long, Counselor L-Z





OUR MISSION

THE MISSION OF FORT MILL HIGH SCHOOL IS TO PROVIDE EACH STUDENT WITH THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE NEEDED TO BECOME A LIFELONG LEARNER AND A RESPONSIBLE, PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN IN A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY.

OUR BELIEFS

- Each student possesses the ability to learn and deserves a safe, supportive learning environment
- Communication among parents, faculty, staff, and students is essential to student success
- Each student can maximize learning through career-based educational opportunities
- Providing students with a relevant, challenging program of study
- It is essential to use student achievement data to ensure continuous improvement





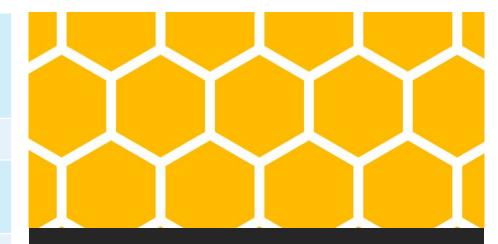




WE MAY NOT ALWAYS AGREE, BUT YOU WILL BE HEARD.

ENGLISH	4	JROTC or PHYSICAL EDUCATION or MARCHING BAND	1
MATHEMATICS	4	HIGH SCHOOL 101	1
SCIENCE (BIOLOGY REQUIRED)	3	COMPUTER SCIENCE	1
US HISTORY	1	WORLD LANGUAGE or CAREER TECHNOLOGY	1
GOVERNMENT & ECONOMICS	1	HIGH SCHOOL 101 or JROTC 1B	1
OTHER SOCIAL STUDIES	1	ELECTIVES	6

CARNEGIE UNITS & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



In order to receive credit, a student must not exceed FIVE UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

By successfully passing a course and meeting the attendance requirements, a student can earn a Carnegie Unit

24 Carnegie Units are required for graduation

PROMOTION **STANDARDS**





• To 9th Grade

• Successful Completion of 8th Grade

• To 10th Grade

• 6 Units (1 English, 1 Math, 4 Other)

• To 11th Grade

• 12 Units (2 English, 2 Math, 1 Science, 7 Other)

•To 12th Grade

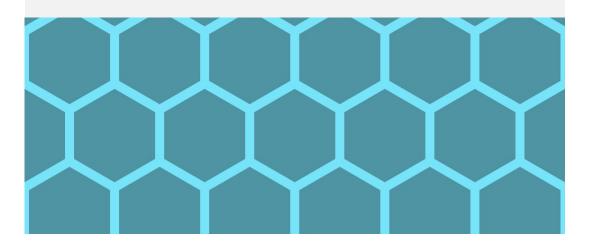
• 18 Units (3 English, 3 Math, 2 Science, 8 Other)

SCHEDULES

Schedule requests are final on the last day of school each year

Rigorous senior year policy -each senior will take an English and a math course their senior year

Alternates are very real possibilities

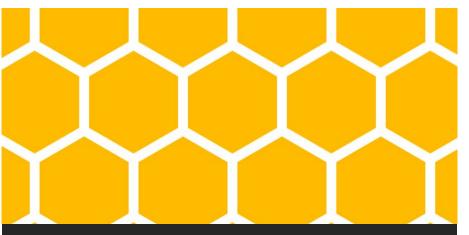








MATH	ENGLISH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	OTHER
Foundations in Algebra	English I CP	Biology 1 CP	Human Geography CP	High School 101
Algebra I CP	English I H	Biology 1 H	Human Geography H	PE or JROTC
Algebra I H	English II CP		AP Human Geography	Computer Course
Geometry CP	English II H			Electives
Geometry H				



Students take 8 courses during the school year

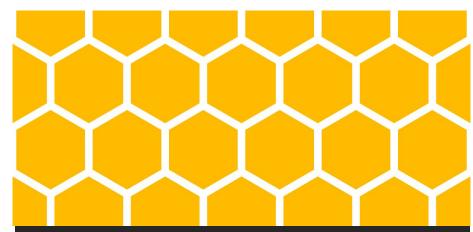
4 classes each semester

POSSIBLE FRESHMAN SCHEDULE

Class length is 90 minutes

High School Orientation	Study Skills	7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens	Academic Planning
Comprehensive Health Education	Test Taking Skills	Job Skills	Drug & Alcohol Awareness
Technology Orientation	Team-Building Activities	Financial Planning	Goal Setting

HIGH SCHOOL 101



HS 101 is a one credit course designed to provide 9th graders with the tools needed to evolve into independent learners and facilitate the transition from the middle school to the high school.

FMSD Graduation Requirement

Students taking a whole year of JROTC may exempt this requirement

PEER PRESSURE	PERSONAL CONFLICTS	GRADES	WHAT PARENTS EXPECT	9 TH GRADE
FITTING IN	FEAR OF JUNIORS & SENIORS	SCHOOL SIZE	FEAR OF GETTING LOST	CONCERNS
LUNCH OR EATING ALONE	GETTING PICKED FOR THE TEAM	PACE OF CLASSES	HOMEWORK & RIGOR	

ATTENDANCE

- 5 UNEXCUSED absences per class
- EXCUSED absences (Doctor's notes, 2 Parent Notes)
- Early Dismissal cannot return without a doctor's excuse
- NO Dismissal after 3:10





ESTABLISHED 1910

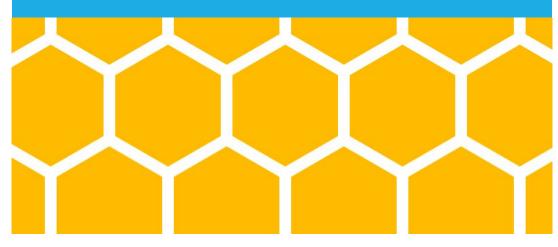




TARDIES

- Students are given 3 tardies to 1st block
- After 3 tardies, they are not allowed to go late to class- They will spend 1st block in ISS
- Students are not allowed to be tardy to 2nd, 3rd, or 4th blocks. If a student is tardy to class they will spend the entire block in ISS. (Exception- doctor's excuse)









CELL PHONES & ELECTRONICS

PROPER USE

May be used before 8:40 and after 3:40

May be used for instructional purposes when directed by teacher

May be used at lunch in the R wing commons

VIOLATIONS

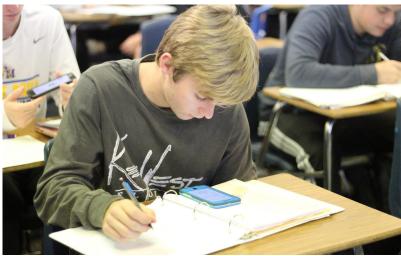
Any use during the school day not directly approved by the teacher

Use to engage in academic dishonesty

Use to engage in illegal or unethical behavior – bullying, harassing, threatening, or intimidating students

What if I need to talk to my child?













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DRESS CODE



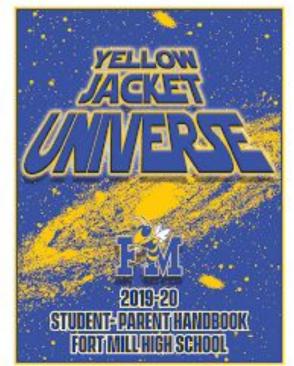


DRESS CODE

Students will dress in appropriate attire that complies with requirements and does not interfere with the educational process

Enforcement goal- to deal with as efficiently as possible and get students to class

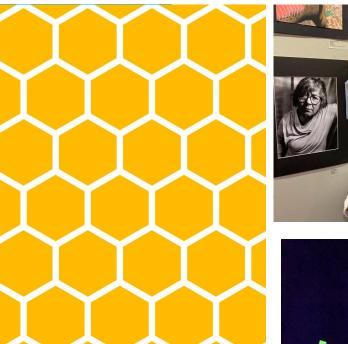




FLEX <u>Flexible Learning</u> <u>Experience</u>

30 minutes a day/ 2.5 hours per week set aside for make-up work, extra help, and study hall

- Time management
- Self advocacy





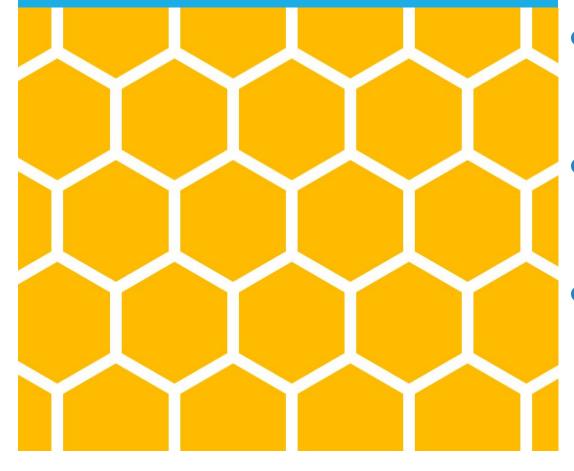








TIPS FOR GETTING THROUGH THE YEAR





•Assume we have the best intentions

 Let them experience some struggles

•Talk with them regularly about school and who they are hanging out with

STAY **INFORMED!**

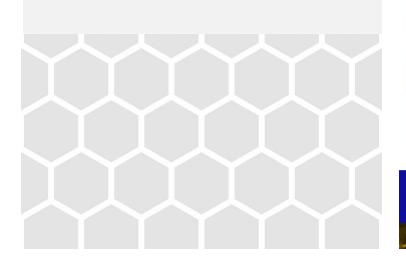
Parent Portal

Teacher & School Websites

District App

Weekly Emails from Mr. Beam

Social Media





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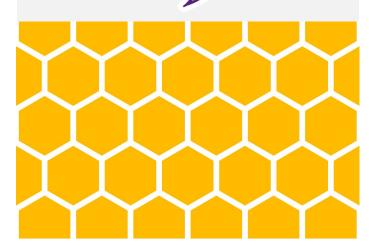














Student Drop/Pick-Up Traffic Flow Into/Out of Fort Mill High School



STUDENT Drop & Pick-Up Traffic INTO/OUT of FMHS

Enter new main entrance at signal light from Highway 21 N Bypass. Go up the hill and bear to the right as road turns into a one way.

Student drop off for ALL grades is in front of the new main office (highlighted in blue). The drop off loop will be closed during the school day. It will re-open at 3:10pm for student pick-up.

Once student is dropped or picked-up, proceed back down the entrance road to Highway 21 Bypass.

Please note that the <u>orange route</u> is for student drivers only and the <u>purple route</u> is for buses only. Student drop and pick-ups should follow the <u>green route</u> to the one way drop-off/pick-up blue loop. Schedule

Fort Mill High School Building Opens at 8:00

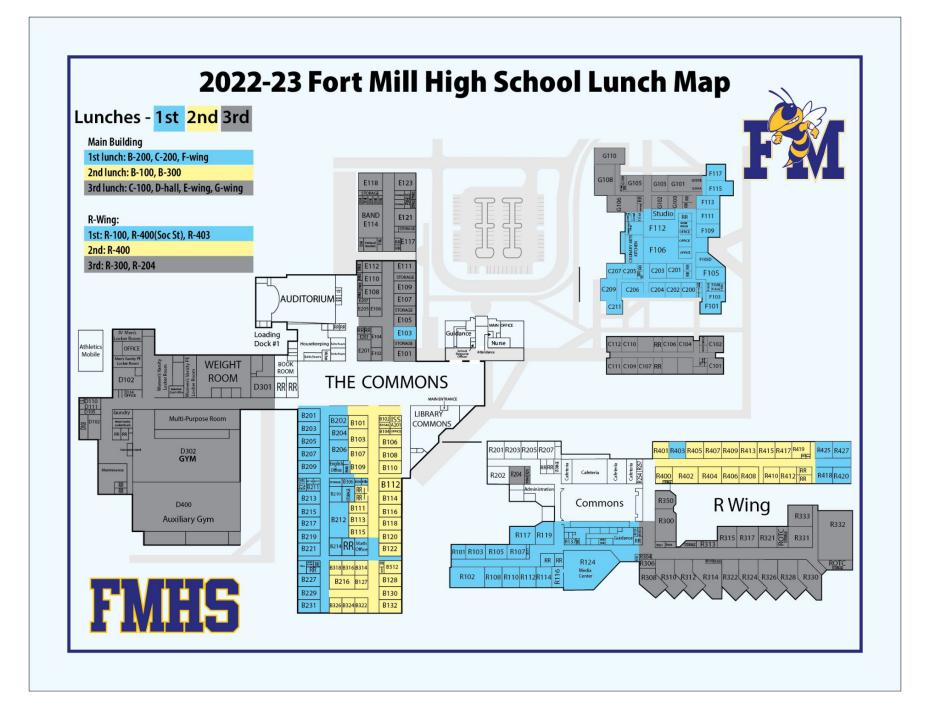
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10:20-11:50 2nd Block

1st Lunch	2nd Lunch	3rd Lunch
12:00-12:25 Lunch	12:00-12:45 Class	12:00-1:30
12:30-2:00	12:45-1:10 Lunch	Class
Class	1:15-2:00 Class	1:30-2:00 Lunch

2:10-3:40	4th	Block

First TWO Weeks of School



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THANKS FOR COMING!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE FIRST DAY ON AUGUST 15th!