



**CLASS OF
2028**

MANCHESTER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL



IT'S TIME TO

TALK ABOUT HIGH
SCHOOL





WHAT?

**MEET THE COUNSELORS
REVIEW HIGH SCHOOL
REQUIREMENTS
SELECT COURSES**

HOW?

**DISCUSS AND REVIEW THE
PROGRAM OF STUDIES,
CAREER PROGRAMS, AND
COURSE SELECTION SHEETS**

WHY?

**TO SELECT CLASSES FOR
9TH GRADE**

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Graduation Requirements for Class of 2025 and Beyond

Credit Requirements: A minimum of 25 credits must be earned to meet graduation requirements. Many of these credits are required in specific areas as outlined in the chart below.

NOTE: This chart may be subject to change pending any State (MSDE) revisions to graduation requirements.

| Subject | Required Credits | Required Courses |
|----------------|---|---|
| English | 4 | -English 9 -English 10 -English 11 or AP Language and Composition -English 12 or AP Literature and Composition or AP Seminar or AP Research* |
| Social Studies | 3 | -Government or AP United States Government and Politics -United States History or AP United States History -World History or AP World History |
| Science | 3 | -Conceptual Physics -Chemistry of Earth and Space Science (formerly Chemistry I) -Biology |
| Mathematics | 4 All students must enroll in a mathematics course each year of high school. | -Algebra I -Geometry -Other credits must be 1 credit in duration and may be selected from the Program of Studies Mathematics course offerings. |

OTHER CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

Physical Education 1 credit -Physical Education I (½ credit) -½ credit of any other Physical Education course to fulfill 1 credit graduation requirement.

Health 1 credit -Health I (½ credit), Health II (½ credit)

Visual and Performing Arts 1 credit –Art, Theatre, Band, Orchestra Chorus, Electronic Music, Ensemble Participation- Piano, Honors Ensemble Participation- Percussion

Technology Education 1 credit -Foundations of Technology, Exploring Computer Science, AP Computer Science Principles

Financial Literacy ½ credit-Financial Literacy (½ credit) or - Managing Personal Finances Using Excel (1 credit)

Electives 4 ½ - 12 to make 25 credits

GRADUATION PATHWAY REQUIREMENTS

World Language 2 credits of Same Language

Spanish

And/Or

**State Approved Career and Technical
Education Completer Program**

**** See Completer Programs on Page 12 of
Program of Studies****

COMPLETER PROGRAMS AT MANCHESTER VALLEY

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COMPLETER
PROGRAMS AT
OTHER
HIGH SCHOOLS

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CARROLL COUNTY CAREER
AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

ALL OTHER COMPLETER
PROGRAMS

ADDITIONAL
REQUIREMENTS

**State Testing
Requirements**
(English 10, Algebra I,
Government, MISA
Science)

**Student Service
Requirement**
75 hours

Let's look at your 9th grade course selection sheet!

Top part is your primary academics- Already chosen based on teacher recommendations

Bottom part is your choice to select classes.

Need total of 8 credits!!!

COURSE SELECTION SHEET

| Credit | Course Name(s) and Level | Course Number | Graduation Requirement Category |
|--------|--|---------------|---|
| 1 | Already added | | English |
| 1 | Already added | | Math |
| 1 | Already added If both Science classes are listed, then count it as 2 credits. | | Science (only students recommended for Honors will have 2 courses/credits) |
| 1 | Already added | | Social Studies |
| 1 | Only added if you need Spanish II or Literacy. If not, it will be blank | | World Language (will only be selected if currently taking Spanish I) Literacy is also listed in this area. |

| Requested Course (Place an X) | Credit | Course Name | Course Number | Graduation Requirement Category |
|-------------------------------|--------|----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| | 1 | Spanish I | 700016 | World Language |
| | 0.5 | Health I | 300006 | Health |
| | 0.5 | PE I | 250006 | Physical Education |
| | 1 | Foundations of Technology | 450216 | Technology Education |
| | 1 | Exploring Computer Science | 550116 | Technology Education |
| | 1 | AP Computer Science | 450519 | Technology Education |

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|--|------------|---|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| | 1 | Art I | 600016 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 0.5 | Theatre I | 060506 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 0.5 | Theatre II (<i>must also select Theatre I</i>) | 061006 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 1 | Chorus* | 654816 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 1 | Band* | 650016 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 1 | Orchestra* | 652416 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 1 | Honors Ensemble Participation: Percussion | 652518 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 1 | Ensemble Participation: Piano | 652516 | Visual & Performing Arts |
| | 1 | Electronic Music | 650916 | Visual & Performing Arts |

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|--|----------|--|---------------|--|
| | 1 | Freshman Seminar | 801116 | Elective |
| | 1 | Honors Freshman Seminar | 801118 | Elective |
| | 1 | Honors CASE Intro to Agriculture | 500118 | Elective- Can be used for Completer |
| | 1 | Business Communications & Keyboarding | 350616 | Elective |
| | 1 | Principles of Fashion and Interior Design | 400916 | Elective |
| | 1 | Honors Child & Adolescent Development | 401818 | Elective- Can be used for Completer |

**Please return
completed forms
with parent
signatures
to your teachers
no later than
Thursday January 25.**

**DEADLINE
TO RETURN
FORMS**

FAQ

- **What if I disagree with a course recommendation?**
 - Have your parent reach out to your current 8th grade teacher for that subject area to discuss the recommendation. You can then attach a note to your course selection sheet stating parent has contacted the teacher and indicate which level of the course you should be scheduled for.
- **What if I do not want to double up on science?**
 - Cross out the recommendation for Chemistry (make sure you select 8 total credits).
- **What if I do not want to take Spanish II but it has been recommended?**
 - Cross out the recommendation for Spanish II. Note that you will have to take Spanish II later or pursue a completer program.

LET'S REVIEW

**(1). WHAT ARE YOU EXCITED FOR
IN HIGH SCHOOL?**

(2) WHO IS YOUR COUNSELOR?

MS. GREEN

MS. CUNNINGHAM

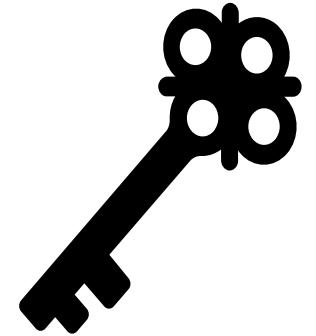
MS. REESE

MS. FERRANTE

MS. NAPPIER

KEYS TO HIGH SCHOOL SUCCESS

- - Attendance
- - Do your work and turn it in on time
- - Pass your class to be (3.)_____
- - Become involved
- - Ask for help and academic support
- - Begin to discover who you are and what you want to be



TERMS TO KNOW

(4) CREDIT - A UNIT OF MEASUREMENT THAT IS EARNED WHEN YOU SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE A COURSE. MOST ARE EITHER 1 CREDIT OR .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE- A COURSE THAT YOU MUST TAKE PRIOR TO TAKING ANOTHER COURSE. FOR EXAMPLE YOU MUST PASS ALGEBRA 1 BEFORE YOU TAKE GEOMETRY

GPA- THE AVERAGE OF FINAL GRADES RECEIVED FOR EVERY COURSE TAKEN BY A STUDENT IN HIGH SCHOOL.

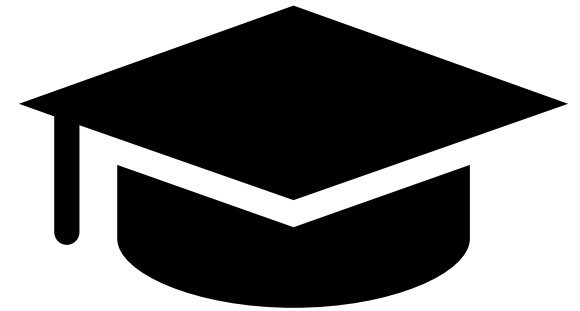
(5) TRANSCRIPT - THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENT THAT REFLECTS FINAL GRADES, GPA, CLASS RANK AND SERVICE HOURS

PROGRAM OF STUDIES- A DOCUMENT THAT LISTS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, CLASS DESCRIPTIONS, COMPLETE CLASSES.

ELECTIVES- COURSES THAT ARE NOT REQUIRED BUT ARE TAKEN FOR CREDIT.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- **Credit Requirements**
 - (6) _____ Credits
- **State Testing Requirements**
- **Student Service Learning Requirements**
 - (7) _____ Hours



REQUIRED CLASSES

ENGLISH- 4 CREDITS

SCIENCE – 3 CREDITS

MATH –(8.) ___ CREDITS

SOCIAL STUDIES – 3 CREDITS

FINE ARTS – 1 CREDIT

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – 1 CREDIT

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION – 1 CREDIT

HEALTH – 1 CREDIT

FINANCIAL LITERACY – .5 CREDIT



- How many credits will you need for your schedule next year?
- (9) _____

WHEN IS YOUR COURSE SELECTION SHEET DUE?

(10) _____

CONGRATULATIONS!

**ON TO
MANCHESTER VALLEY!**

QUESTIONS?

