



# Medford High School and Medford Vocational Technical High School

CEEB/ACT  
School Code: 221365

489 Winthrop Street, Medford, MA 02155

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## School Counselors

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## Community & School

Medford is a diverse, urban, historical community with suburban charm. It is located 4 miles northwest of Boston with a population of approximately 58,000. The community strongly supports its schools and continually evaluates them. The total school population is just over 4,500 students with Tufts University within the city boundaries.

The high school is a public comprehensive four-year school and is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Medford High School has grades 9-12 with an approximate enrollment of 1,185 students. The senior class consists of roughly 280 students.

Population	% of MHS
First Language not English	30.6
English Language Learners	11.1
Students with Disabilities	19.6
High Needs	56.1
Low Income	42.7

Race/Ethnicity	% of MHS
White	55.1
African American	14.3
Hispanic	16
Asian	9.5
Multi-Race/ Non-Hispanic	4.8
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0.1
Native American	0.3

## Covid-19 Grading & Mode of Instruction Info:

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic the students of MHS/MVTHS learned remotely from mid-March of 2020 through the end of the school year, June 2020. Consequently, none of the grades received during Q3 or Q4 of the 2019-2020 school year are factored into students' final grade calculations. All final letter grades for the 2019-2020 school year are based on an average of Q1 & Q2 grades only.

During the 2020-2021 school year the majority of students received remote instruction for the first half of the year. For the second half of the year students had the option of coming into the building on a hybrid schedule or remaining remote. All grades received during the 2020-2021 SY are factored into the final GPA.

### STUDENT GRADING:

Student grades indicated in accordance with the descriptive equations of grades as noted below:

A+	98-100%	D+	67-69%
A	94-97%	D	63-66%
A-	90-93%	D-	60-62%
B+	87-89%	E	50-59%
B	83-86%	F	0-49%
B-	80-82%	D=Low Pass	
C+	77-79%	E=Failure	
C	73-76%	F=Low Failure	
C-	70-72%	P=Passing	

### GRADE WEIGHT TABLE

AP	Honors	College Prep
A+ =5.0	A+ =4.5	A+ =4.0
A =4.7	A =4.2	A =3.7
A- =4.5	A- =4.0	A- =3.5
B+ =4.3	B+ =3.8	B+ =3.3
B =4.0	B =3.5	B =3.0
B- =3.7	B- =3.2	B- =2.7
C+ =3.4	C+ =2.9	C+ =2.4
C =3.0	C =2.5	C =2.0
C- =2.7	C- =2.2	C- =1.7
D+ =2.4	D+ =1.9	D+ =1.4
D =2.0	D =1.5	D =1.0
D- =1.7	D- =1.2	D- =0.7

### Cumulative GPA & Rank

MHS/MVTHS individual standing is determined on the basis of a 4.0 weighted scale. Course levels range based on degree of difficulty, achievement, expectations, and acceleration. Class rank and GPA are computed at the end of each semester for all courses except those with a grade of P (passing). Transfer grades (for high school courses taken outside of Medford Public Schools) are not factored into the GPA or rank, but will appear on the transcript. Dual enrollment courses are factored into the GPA and rank calculation.



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### Graduation Requirements

Students must earn 112 credits to graduate and take a minimum of the following courses:

- > English, 4 years
- > Mathematics, 4 years
- > Science, 3 years
- > Social Studies, 3 years
- > Health/Wellness, 4 years\*
- > Fine Arts, 1 year\*
- > Foreign Language, 2 years\*
- > Career & Technical Education, 4 years for voc/tech programs
- > Passing grades on MCAS ELA, Math, and Science tests

\*Special exceptions for transfer students and students in vocational/technical programs.

\*\*Students must also complete 60 hours of community service

### Curriculum, Course Levels & Schedule

Medford High School's education program centers on a flexible Open Curriculum Program, which offers a wide selection of courses at varying levels to meet the needs of all students. Students take courses at the levels of College Prep (CP), Honors, and Advanced Placement (AP). They can also enroll in a Career Technical Education Pathway (CTE). Medford High School offers 19 AP courses (some are on a rotating basis), 26 Honors courses, numerous College Prep courses, and 15 CTE programs. The schedule runs on a 6-day cycle, 6 periods per day consisting of 56 minutes each period. The major subject (5 credit) courses meet every day, and the elective courses meet on a rotating basis. One course, Humanities American Studies is a combined English & History Honors course (10 credits). Students are graded quarterly.

### AP Courses Offered (some on a rotating basis)

Art (2D & 3D)  
Biology  
Calculus AB  
Chemistry  
Computer Science (Java)  
Computer Science Principles  
Drawing  
English Language  
English Literature  
European History  
French Language & Culture  
Human Geography  
Italian Language & Culture  
Physics  
Psychology  
Spanish Language & Culture  
Statistics  
United States Government & Politics  
United States History

### Class of 2024 Post-Secondary Plans

Outcome	% of students
4 Yr College	59%
2 Yr College	11%
Apprenticeship Program	1%
Career Education	6%
College Prep School	0%
Employed	13%
Military	2%
Non-U.S. College	0%
Service or Gap Year	2%
Unknown	0%

### Student Organizations

A wide variety of extracurricular activities, clubs and student organizations are open and available to all students. Below is a sample of the current offerings.

Interact Club	Key Club
National Honor Society	Gay Straight Alliance
Skills USA	Student Council
Arabic Club	Asian Club
Black Student Union	Diversity Empowerment Union
Foreign Language Club	Tibetan Club
MHS Community Garden Club	Science Team
Art Club	Band
Chorus	Orchestra
Dance Team	Drama Club
Medford Calling	Chess Club
Model UN	M3 Outdoor Adventures
Ping Pong Club	Ultimate Frisbee Club
Anime Club	Mustang News & MHS Mantra
Yearbook	Math Team
MHS Science Team	Robotics Team
Welding Club	3D Printing Club
Hope Chest	World Language Club
Ethics Bowl	Mock Trial
Dungeons & Dragons	Games Club
Library Book Club	Movie Club
Skills USA	American Sign Language

For a full list of all activities offered at the high school level, please visit:

<https://mhs-mvths.mps02155.org/student-life/clubs-and-activities>

For a full list of all courses and course descriptions, please visit:

<https://mhs-mvths.mps02155.org/academics/program-of-studies>