

Seahawk Essentials

2024-2025



Administration

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| Kristin Altman | Principal | AD 116 |
| Monica Brisbon | AP | PE Wing |
| Erin Burt | AP | D 208 |
| Josh Cutright | AP | A 200 |
| Natalie Hunnell | AP | D 100 |
| John Cahill | AD | PE Wing |
| Lori McMahon | Instructional Coach | Front Office |



School Counselors

Myron Shuler

Last Names A–Da

Anne Crawford

Last Names De–I

Stephanie Byrdic (Lead)

Last Names J–L

Sarah Kohlman

Last names M–Ri

Debbie Corrie

Last Names Ro–Z

RBHS Counselors

Danielle Pritchard

Latoya Simmons



Bell Schedule

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| 7:45 a.m. | School Doors Open |
| 8:18 a.m. | Warning Bell |
| 8:20-9:50 a.m. | 1st Block |
| 9:55-10:15 a.m. | Advisory |
| 10:20-11:50 a.m. | 2nd Block |
| 11:55 a.m.-1:55 p.m. | 3rd Block <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st Lunch: 12:00-12:25 p.m.• 2nd Lunch: 12:30-12:55 p.m.• 3rd Lunch: 1:00-1:25 p.m.• 4th Lunch: 1:30-1:55 p.m. |
| 2:00-3:30 p.m. | 4th Block |

Academics and Accountability

On-Time for Grade Level:

Earn Credit in:

Math

English

Four additional carnegie units

MBHS Curriculum Guide



College and Career Readiness

College Ready:

AP exam 3+ or higher

IB exam 4+ or higher

Pass 6 dual credit hours (w/ C↑)

ACT score of 20+

SAT score of 1020+

Career Ready:

CTE completer with industry credential

ACT WorkKeys (Silver +)

ASVAB score of 31+

State approved WBL experience

SC High School Employability Credential

Attendance Policies

- ✘ Check attendance and grades in PowerStudent daily.
- ✘ Students under age 17
 - Students who reach 3 consecutive days or 5 days total unexcused absences for the school year are considered Truant and placed on an Attendance Intervention Plan in the state of SC
- ✘ Students of any age
 - Students who have more than 5 unexcused absences in one semester will fail due to attendance (FA). This requires attendance makeup to recover the course credit prior to the end of the semester..
- ✘ Early release notes from a parent must be turned in before 1st block to the front office.
- ✘ **No sign outs after 2:00 pm will be permitted without prior notice to the office.**
- ✘ Students must turn in Medical Notes within 24 hours of the absence.
- ✘ Email our attendance clerk, Kim Gordon, or your student's grade-level administrator for assistance.

Nutrition Services

- ✕ All Horry County Schools students will receive one free breakfast and lunch daily this year
- ✕ Students are required to enter their cafeteria number daily in order to receive the free meals
- ✕ Clean up after yourself– respect our campus and hardworking custodians!

Arrival Procedures and School Entry

- Myrtle Beach High School opens at 7:45 a.m. each morning.
- Car riders should use the car loop and enter through the main lobby.
- Car drivers should park in the student parking lot and enter through the main lobby.
- Bus riders will enter through the ROTC hall where buses drop off; students are not to walk around the building.
- Students should arrive no later than 8:00 am to make time for morning search procedures each day. **The search line is not an excuse for tardiness.**
- No outside food is allowed in the building after 8:20 am.
 - Students may not bring in food if arriving late and may not have food delivered to school.

Clear Bag Protocol

- ✗ All backpacks MUST be clear
- ✗ No Color Transparent Backpacks (only fully clear backpacks)
- ✗ Backpacks must have clear visibility through all dimensions excluding the backpack bottom.
- ✗ No Strips on any location of the clear bag
- ✗ No Mesh backpacks of any kind
- ✗ Lunch boxes are permitted, non-transparent lunch boxes may only be as big as 6 x 9 x 5
- ✗ Students may have non-transparent cosmetic bags; however, they may only be as big as 6 x 9 x 5



Dress Code Reminders

- ✗ No hats or hoods (including bandanas and bonnets) may be worn inside the building
- ✗ Pants must be worn at the waist and undergarments must be covered
- ✗ Shorts/skirts must be fingertip length
- ✗ Clothes cannot depict violence, drugs/alcohol or be sexual in nature
- ✗ No midriff tops are permitted
- ✗ Holes in pants must be below the fingertip length
- ✗ No strapless or off-the-shoulder shirts. Straps must be at least 2 inches thick.

*PLEASE SEE THE STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR ALL DRESS CODE EXPECTATIONS

Dress Code Reminders

Consequences Every Offense: If a student chooses not to follow the dress code requirements, he/she will be asked to call home for a change of clothes. The student will not be allowed to return to class until the situation has been corrected. The student will remain in ISS until a change of clothes has arrived.

| 1st Offense | 2nd Offense | 3rd Offense | 4th Offense | 5th Offense |
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| Administrative Warning and parent notification Students will be required to change clothes. | 1 day of ISS and parent notification by administrator Students will be required to change clothes. | 1 day of OSS and parent notification by administrator | 2 Days of OSS and parent notification by administrator | 3 Days of OSS and parent notification by administrator |
| 6th Offense | | | | |
| Recommendation for an Evidentiary Hearing and parent notification by administrator | | | | |

Tardy Policy

- ✗ A tardy is defined as not being seated inside the assigned classroom when the tardy bell rings.
- ✗ Tardies are assigned block by block.
- ✗ Searches will be conducted every morning beginning at 7:45 AM. Searches will not be considered as an excuse for being tardy to class.
- ✗ Students who arrive tardy after 8:20 with an outside food/beverage purchased from a restaurant, cafe, etc. such as Starbucks or McDonalds, will have it confiscated. It may be picked up by the parent.



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| Administrator warning | Lunch Detention and parent notification by administrator | 1 block of ISS and parent notification by administrator | 1 day of ISS and parent notification by administrator | 2 days of ISS and parent notification by administrator | 1 day of OSS and parent notification by administrator |
| 7th Tardy | 8th Tardy | | | | |
| 2 Days of OSS and parent notification by administrator | Recommendation for an Evidentiary Hearing and parent notification by administrator | | | | |

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Smart Pass and Hall Pass Expectations

- ✗ MBHS uses SmartPass to assign passes to students who must leave the classroom for any reason.
- ✗ We follow a first and last 15 minutes of class norm at MBHS
 - Students are not permitted to leave the classroom during the 1st or last 15 minutes of the 90 minute block
 - Students should use the restroom during class changes
 - Critical academic instruction occurs during each block with the first 15 minutes of the lesson setting the goals for the day and clarifying learning objectives. The final 15 minutes bring review and closure.
 - The safest place for any student to be during the day is in the classroom with his/her teacher.

Safety Procedures



–Emergency Operations Plan and Team

–Ongoing security & facility checks

*Including Random Drug Dog Checks

–Safety drills & analysis meetings

–Evacuation, lockdown, tornado, earthquake

–Classroom safety bags

–Weapons and metal detectors

–Staff duty stations

–Armed security on campus at all times

–Continual work in conjunction with local authorities, outside safety auditors, and school safety/security specialists

IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

STUDENTS

Clear the hallways and remain
in room or area until the "All
Clear" is announced
Do business as usual

ADULTS

Close and lock the door
Account for students, visitors and
others
Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

STUDENTS

Return to inside of building
Do business as usual

ADULTS

Bring everyone indoors
Lock outside doors
Increase situational awareness
Account for students, visitors and others
Do business as usual



LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

STUDENTS

Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door
Prepare to evade or defend

ADULTS

Recover people from hallway if possible
Close and lock the door
Turn out the lights
Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door
Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)

STUDENTS

Leave stuff behind if
required to
If possible, bring your phone
Follow instructions

ADULTS

Lead evacuation to specified location
Account for students, visitors and others
Notify if missing, extra or injured people



SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy.

STUDENTS

Use appropriate safety strategy
for the hazard

ADULTS

Lead safety strategy
Account for students, visitors and others
Notify if missing, extra or injured students
or adults

Hazard

Tornado

Hazmat

Earthquake

Safety Strategy

Evacuate to shelter area

Seal the room

Drop, cover and hold

CEIA Open Gate

ALL STUDENTS WILL PROCEED THROUGH THE CEIA OPENGATE SECURITY SCAN UPON entry to the building.

- *Clear backpacks should be worn directly on the back, using both shoulder straps.

- *Metal tumblers, umbrellas, and glasses cases are known items that will alarm the system, so please do not pack these in backpacks.

Students will then have their backpacks searched as a secondary search procedure.

- *Reducing the amount of unnecessary items will expedite the search process.

Students should bring no more than one pencil or personal pouch in their backpacks.

Meet Your School Resource Officer

- ✕ Myrtle Beach Police Department
- ✕ MBHS Officer Bechtel
- ✕ Office: Center Stair



Mandatory Reporting

- ✗ South Carolina Law Section 63-7-310 requires school personnel to report to DSS and law enforcement suspected cases of child abuse or neglect.
- ✗ South Carolina Law Section 59-32-36 prohibits school staff and officials from withholding knowledge of a minor's perception of their gender from the minor's parents.

Reporting Potentially Dangerous Behavior

If we have information concerning someone's safety and don't tell, we are weakening our school. If we know something dangerous, illegal, or just plain wrong is occurring, we will tell our principal or other trusted adult. Outside of school hours, call 911 for all emergencies.

During school hours or for situations that are not emergencies, email our principal or grade level administrator, drop an anonymous note, have our parents call the school; we will do what we need to do to let our school know what is going on.

This will permit the adults who love us at school to keep us all safe and sound. If you know and don't report, you may be held accountable.

Behavioral Offenses

Level II and III Examples

- Bullying
- Possession, distribution, solicitation or use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, VAPES, or look-alikes
- Violence, fighting, or endangering others
- Harassment / Sexual Harassment
- Lying and obscene language
- Stealing
- Vandalism
- Threatening language or actions / Intimidation
- Refusal to obey / defiance
- Weapons
- Disrespect
- Failure to report weapons
- Failure to report intentions to harm

HCS Vaping Policy



1st Offense: 2–3 Days OSS

2nd Offense: 3–5 Days OSS

3rd Offense: Rec. for Expulsion
& Tobacco Education Program

*Each vaping offense results in a
MBPD ticket

Cell Phone Policy

- ✗ MBHS is a phone-free zone. Learning and safety come first. We want your student(s) to be fully present!
- ✗ Students may only use cell phones and earbuds during their designated lunch.
- ✗ Students needing to call home may use a school phone. Parents needing to reach their student should call the school directly.
- ✗ Administration will confiscate phones from students who violate this rule for the duration of the day.
- ✗ Students may pick up their phones at the end of the day on the 1st & 2nd offense. However, on the 3rd offense a parent will be required to pick up the student's phone.

CELL PHONES AND EARBUDS

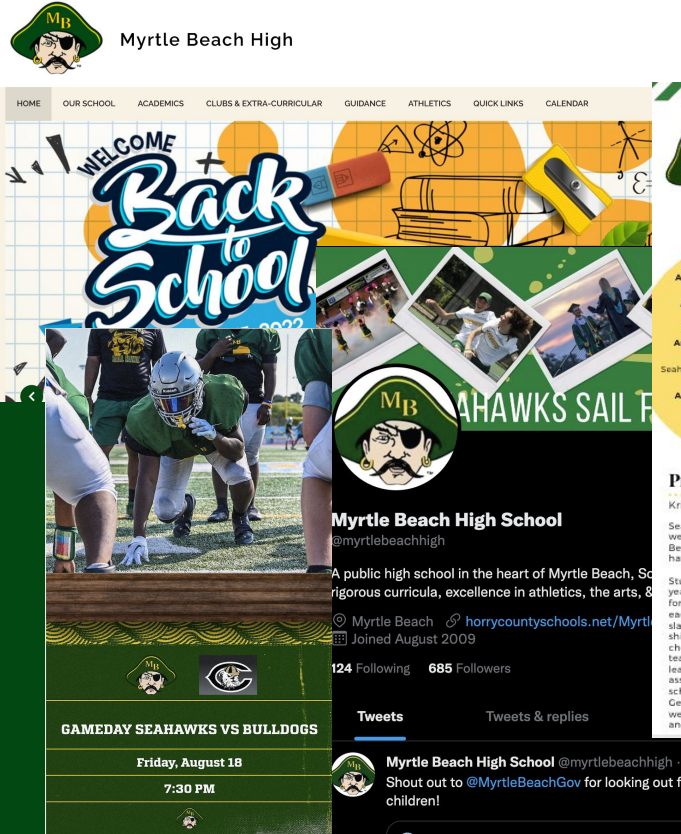
During the instructional school day, cell phones, earbuds and similar electronic devices will remain silent and out-of-sight. This includes; inside classrooms (unless permitted by the teacher) and in hallways during class and class changes. Students may use these devices during lunch break.

To ensure safety, students are not permitted to walk around campus with:

- Cell phones out and actively talking on the phone
- Cell phone out and texting on the cell phones
- Earbuds in their ears
- Audio and video recording is not permitted and subject to suspension.

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| Administrator warning , confiscation of cell phone/earbuds, and parent notification by administrator Students will be able to pick up their phone from Ms. Willis-Lines located at the front office security booth after 3:30 p.m. | 1 day of ISS and cell phone/earbuds confiscated by adminsitartor, and parent notification by administrator Students will be able to pick up their phone from Ms. Willis-Lines located at the front office security booth after 3:30 p.m. | 2 days of ISS and cell phone/earbuds confiscated by administrator, and parent notification by administrator Parents will be able to pick up their phone from Ms. Willis-Lines located at the front office security booth after 3:30 p.m. | 1 day of OSS and parent notification | 2 days of OSS and parent notification |
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Communication Methods



- ❑ Phone calls from Faculty and Staff
- ❑ 24 Hour Access to PowerSchool
- ❑ ParentLink- Emails & Phone Calls
- ❑ Seahawk Talk- Weekly Newsletter
- ❑ MBHS School Website- https://www.horrycountyschools.net/Myrtle_Beach_High_School
- ❑ Social Media Platforms- Facebook, Instagram, Twitter
- ❑ PSTO & Booster Clubs

| Seahawks C.A.R.E. | In the Classroom | In the Restroom | In the Hallway | In the Cafeteria | On the Bus |
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| Community | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Influence others to do the right thing. Build relationships with others. Take initiative. Be a catalyst for positive change. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep bathroom neat and clean. Flush toilet and wash hands. Take care of public spaces and equipment. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pick up trash and throw it away. Only have in one earbud. Eat and drink only in non-carpeted areas. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Put tray, utensils, and garbage in appropriate locations. Clean up spills and pick up trash. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect school property. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. Report problems to the bus driver. |
| Accountability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend class every day and on-time. Be prepared and meet deadlines. Follow the rules. Be a team player and keep commitments. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow directions of staff. Accept consequences without arguing. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. Have a pass from your teacher during class time. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use eating utensils as intended. Walk. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow directions of staff. Accept consequences without arguing. |
| Respect | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect yourself and others. Take care of public spaces and equipment. Use technology appropriately. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect privacy of others. Respect school property. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use Quiet Voices. Shut locker doors quietly. Show affection in a school appropriate manner. Keep hats and head covering offs. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use conversational tones. Use manners while eating. Maintain position in line. Keep hats and head covering off. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use conversational tones at all times. Use appropriate language. |
| Excellence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenge yourself to do your best! Be involved, engaged, and have a positive attitude. Think critically and ask questions. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report vandalism to staff. Use facilities in an appropriate and timely manner (1 person per stall.) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk in the direction of your class. Arrive at your class on time. Be where you're supposed to be, when you're supposed to be | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain seated once food is purchased. Bring lunch or lunch money to the cafeteria. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrive to the bus on time. Remain seated at all times. Keep hands and objects inside the bus. |

Always a Seahawk!

We are going to have a wonderful year full of learning and growth together! There are SO many ways to get involved in Student Life on campus and grow your leadership as a Seahawk. We love hearing your ideas at The Beach. From the decor in our halls, to the clubs we offer, and the courses we teach, your feedback matters! Myrtle Beach High School is about providing opportunities for our students to develop into adults who are holistically prepared for their lives after high school—preparing our students for any pathway whether it be university, technical college, military, or directly into his/her career pathway. Your opportunities are infinite and we cannot wait to start the '24-'25 school year together! See you in the morning, Seahawks!