

# Pittsford Mendon High School



## CURRICULUM NIGHT



# Welcome!



## Objective:

To provide information needed to assist your Viking(s) in making their individual **best choice in course selection** for next year.

# Careful Decision and Planning



**We build the schedule around student requests.**

Changes Later Mean:

- Less likely to get the course you want
- More chance for errors in your schedule
- Scheduling issues for building and district

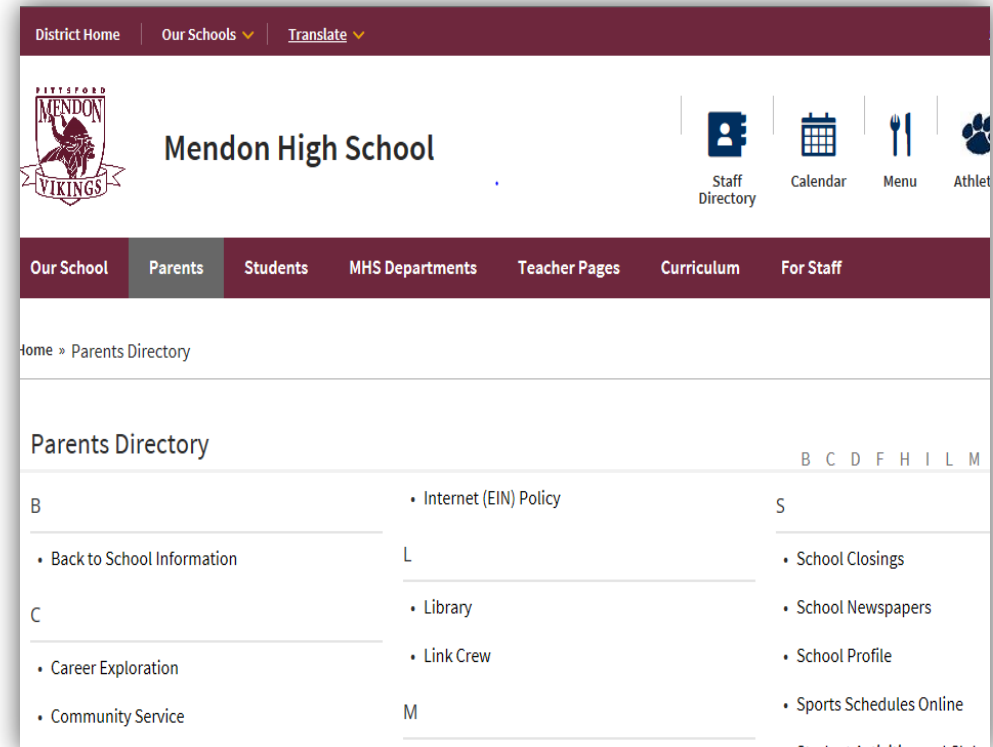


# Our Program of Studies Guide



Combined document for the district.

- Great resource for planning
- Some courses are only offered at **MHS OR SHS**
- **Find online at:**  
<http://pittsfordschools.org> → **MHS** → Parents



# Current BRMS 8<sup>th</sup> Graders



## Timeline

- 1 - Teachers are making **course recommendations** in Infinite Campus currently
- 2 - Students **will attend** high school elective presentation (**Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>**)
- 3- High School Counselors meet with 8th graders to review elective courses (**Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>**)
- 4 –Students meet **individually** with counselors (**Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>**)

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**5** - Verification Letter sent: a chance for correcting mistakes (**early March**)

**Any request for a level change must go through the BRMS Prerequisite Challenge process.**

***At this time in the process, any questions or concerns should be directed to your child's BRMS counselor - Mrs. Ballard***

# What Are Prerequisites?



## Purpose of Prerequisites:

- Teacher recommendations determine student placement.
- If the student doesn't agree, start with teacher.
- The Program of Studies guide shares all courses and any prerequisites.



# Attendance is the TICKET!



## Course Credit Certifies the Learning

- Learning is most dependent on being present.
- Classroom "Teams" does not substitute.
- Opportunities for illness.
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  - Free periods
  - Office Hours

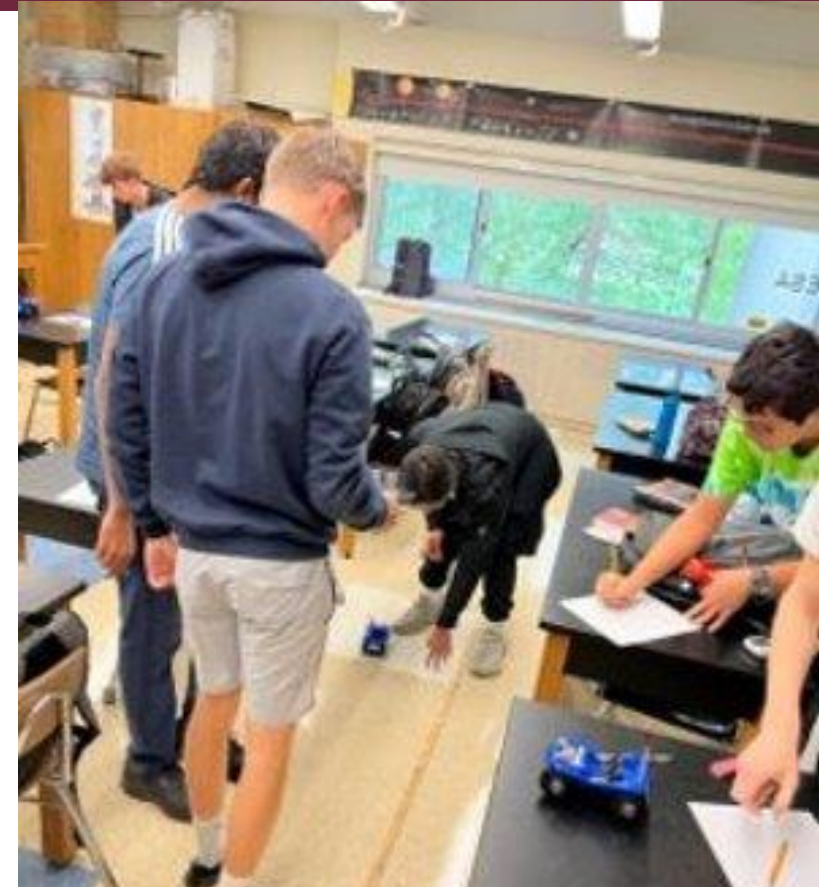


# MHS Offerings



## Variety of Program:

- Think long term
  - 9th grade is fairly tight
  - Find electives you may like over 4 years
- BRMS Student presentations occurred 1/23
- Important to be well balanced
- **Try something new**
- Find a **passion** or something you **enjoy**



# ART

Beth Quattrociochi, Art Dept Leader 267-3425



## Welcome to Mendon Art! 18 courses available! (9 for Freshmen)

### COURSES AVAILABLE TO FRESHMEN:

**Studio Art** is the foundational course and a prerequisite to many other courses. **FULL YEAR**

**Photo I and Advanced Photo** **HALF YEAR EACH**

**Ceramics I and II** **HALF YEAR EACH**

**Contemporary Materials I and II** **HALF YEAR EACH**

**Sculpture I and II** **HALF YEAR EACH**



# ART



## What Art can be:

- \*A career path
- \*A boost to your college application, in any field
- \*A mental health helper
- \*A moment to exhale
- \*A way to communicate without words



# ART



"I wish I knew that....."

. \*For those students thinking about **a career in architecture**, a hand drawn art portfolio is usually required for college admission.

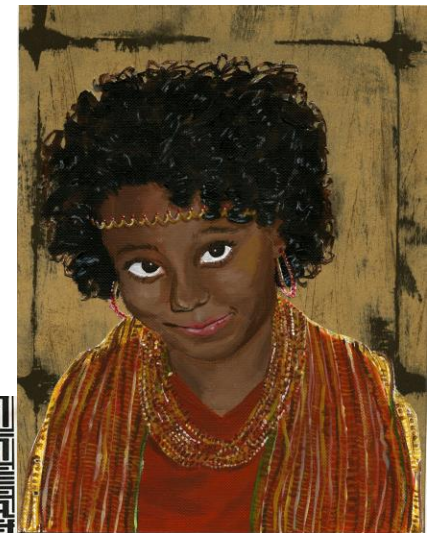
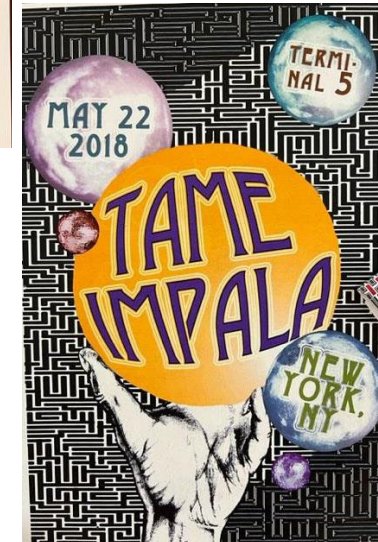
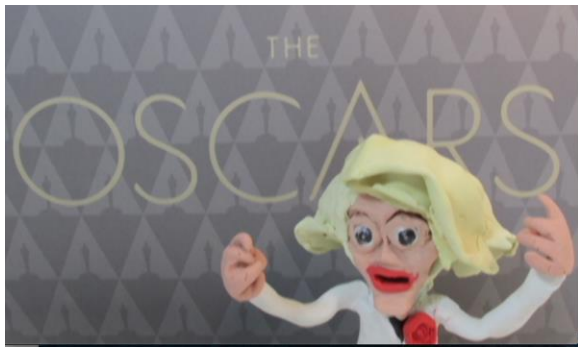
\*Similar requirements may apply for students applying to **Photography, Film, Sculpture and Animation programs** in college.

# ART



## Upper level art courses include:

- \* Animation I and II
- \* Graphic Design I and II
- \* Painting and Drawing I and II
- \* Portfolio
- \* Advanced Placement Art and Design
- \* Advanced Placement Art History



# Business Electives for Freshmen



**KRISTIE BURCH,  
DEPARTMENT LEADER**

- **BUSINESS DYNAMICS I** SEMESTER
- **BUSINESS DYNAMICS II** SEMESTER
- **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR \*\***
  - ***LDS IS REQUIRED FOR INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES***
- **PERSONAL COMPUTER KEYBOARDING** SEMESTER
- **ADVANCED MICROSOFT APPLICATIONS** SEMESTER
- **\*\*DOES NOT TAKE UP ROOM ON SCHEDULE**

# \*Most Freshmen take:



- ★ **Business Dynamics 1 & 2**
- ★ **Leadership Development**
- ★ **Set them up for future success/courses**

# CTE Seal of Distinction



- Students at **MHS** and **SHS** can now receive a **CTE seal** on their diploma!
- It is a **technical endorsement** - enhances their diploma (**Regents + CTE**)
- Completed coursework in a state-approved program by taking **3.5 credits of business classes** in one of two pathways while at Mendon.
- Your child can begin this exciting opportunity **NEXT** year!

## Business Management and Entrepreneurship (52.0201)

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Business Dynamics I (.5 unit)-22152  
Business Dynamics II (.5 unit)-22152

## Marketing (52.1401)

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Business Dynamics I (.5 unit)-22152  
Business Dynamics II (.5 unit)-22152

Principles of Marketing (1 unit)-12164

# Extra Opportunities:



Our business kids get involved with:

- DECA
  - Bookstore
  - Business Honor Society
- ...TRY  
SOMETHING  
NEW!



# MHS Music Department



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# Freshman Music Courses



## Large Ensembles

- Chamber Orchestra
- Concert Band
- Polyphonic Choir
- Treble Choir



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## Additional Classes

- Voice Class (Semester)
- Voice Class (Full Year)
- AP Music Theory



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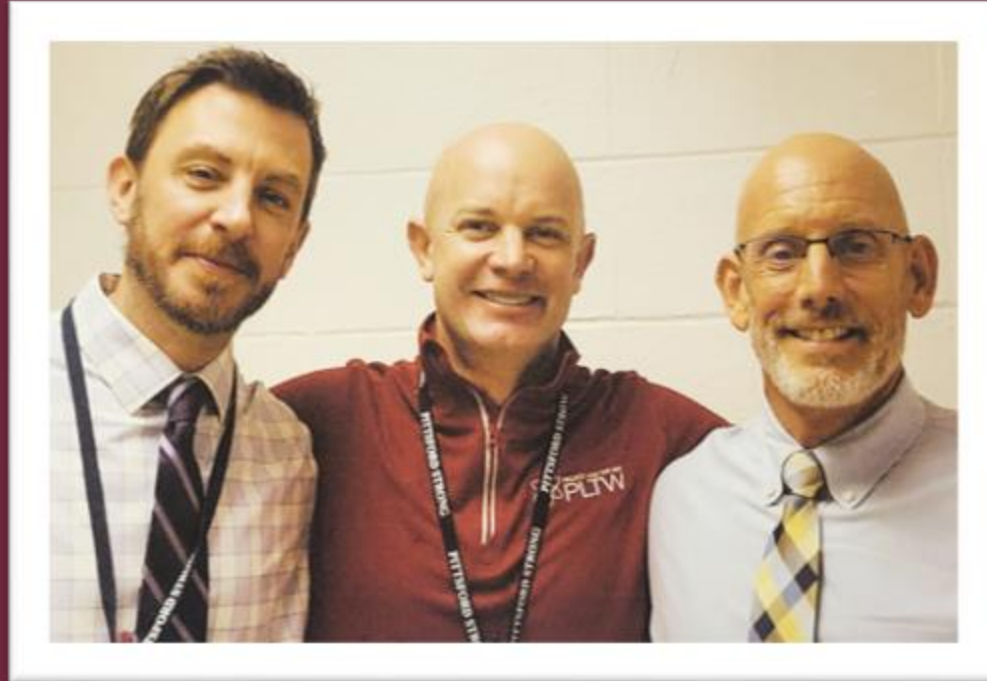


## Extracurricular Opportunities

- Jazz Choir
- Show Choir
- Viking Voices
- Mendon Strings Attached
- Pit Orchestra
- Jazz Band
- Jazz Ensemble
- Pep Band
- Tri-M



# MHS Technology Department



Matt Gostling

Scott Banister (DL)

Peter Pratt



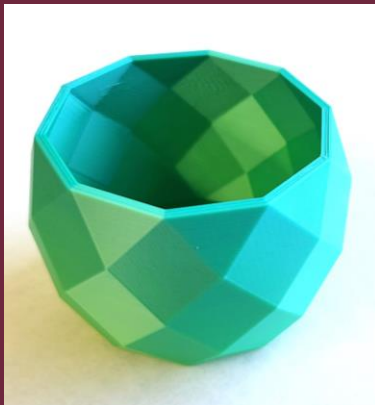
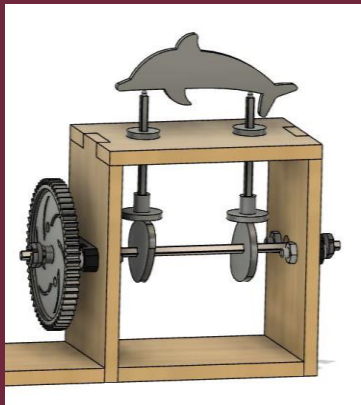
# 5 Technology Courses for Freshmen



## 1) Design and Drawing for Production (DDP) (Full yr)

- \*Foundation for all Tech Sequences\**
- \*Fulfills Fine Art Requirement for Graduation\**
- \*Dual credit from RIT\**

- The Design Process
- Hand Sketching and Drawing
- CAD Drawing
- 3-D Printing
- Laser Cutting and Engraving



## 2) Transportation Systems (½ yr)

- Rockets, Dragsters, Boats, Planes
- Science, Propulsion, Guidance, and Design



# 5 Technology Courses for Freshmen



## 3) Construction Systems (½ yr)

Construction trades  
Concrete, framing, plumbing,  
electrical, drywall, roofing, siding



## 4) Production Systems (½ yr)

Intro to woodworking  
Cutting boards  
Jewelry boxes  
Laser Engraving



## 5) Manufacturing Systems (½ yr)

Advanced woodworking  
Mass production  
Metals/Welding  
Glass



# Sequence/Graduation Requirements



## Design and Drawing for Production (DDP)

Fulfill Fine Arts (Art/Music) requirement.

Civil Engineering and Architecture (CEA)

Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM)

Engineering Design and Development (EDD)

# Decisions, Decisions



ERIC DOMROES  
COUNSELING  
DEPARTMENT  
LEADER



# Graduation Requirements For Class of 2030



## Courses

## New York State High School Diploma

## New York State HS Diploma with Advanced Designation

English	4 credits	
Social Studies	4 credits	
Math	3 credits	Some exams needed; NYS will share more soon
Science	3 credits	
Health	.5 credit	

# Graduation Requirements Cont.



Courses	New York State High School Diploma	New York State HS Diploma with Advanced Designation
Fine Art – DDP, Music/Choir, Studio Art	1 unit	1 unit
World Language	1 unit minimum	3 units preferred
Physical Education	2 units	2 units
Electives	3-.5 units	1-.5 units
<b>Total Units</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>.5 unit</b>

*(Most graduates actually complete 27 or more credits in total.)*

# Students with Disabilities



Local diploma option for students with disabilities.

Refer to the Graduation Requirements section of the “Program of Studies

– OR –

Reach out to the Special Education Department Chair



# Sample Student Schedule



Period	Class	<u>Core Course Recommendation</u> -Middle School Teacher
1	English 9	<i>English 9R or English 9H</i>
2	Global Studies 9	<i>Global 9</i>
3	Math	<i>Integrated Algebra; Geometry H or R ;</i>
4	Science	<i>PhysSet. Earth Science R ; Biology R</i>
5	World Language	<i>Spanish 2; Latin 2; French 2</i>
6	Lunch	<b>A REQUIREMENT</b>
7	Fine Art Requirement	<i>(* -See student's Infinite Campus account Feb 3rd)</i>
8	Physical Ed.	
9	Elective or Study Hall	<i>(See choices from 8<sup>th</sup> grade handout/ email)</i>

# Information for Grade 9



- Every child is unique – **what is best for YOUR student**
- 9th grade students are required to take a lunch
- Required fine arts credit
- Long term planning -
  - Think 4 years instead of just 9th grade
- Take advantage of how many electives MHS offers
  - Try something new and different every year
- **NO NEED TO FILL SCHEDULE**
  - especially 9th grade year



# Thank YOU!



We appreciate your partnership as we continue to prepare our Vikings for long term success!