Montrose High School

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Fast Facts

CEEB 061035

Graduation Requirements

English: 4 Credits
Math: 3 Credits
Science: 3 Credits
Social Studies: 3 Credits
Fine/Performing Arts: . 5 Credits
Physical Education/Health: 2 Credits
Electives: 9 Credits
Total: 24.5 Credits

ICAP: All students must demonstrate college and career readiness by meeting or exceeding math and English competency measures required by CDE.

School Info

Public High School
1,283 students, Grades 9-12
59% White, 37% Hispanic, 5% Other
51% Free/Reduced Lunch
20 State-Sanctioned Athletic Teams
30 Extracurricular Clubs
2 Semester Calendar

Class of 2026 Plans (Self-reported)

Attend College (2 yr/technical)	17%
Attend College (4 year)	56%
Armed Services	3%
Work Force/Other	24%

School & Community

Montrose is located in rural western Colorado. Our district serves the educational needs of 5,448 students in 2 traditional high schools, 3 middle schools, 6 elementary schools, 1 K-12 online blended learning school, and 2 alternative charter school. The greater Montrose area population is approximately 44,600 and the largest employers are the school district, hospital and local government. Primary industry sectors are healthcare, recreation and tourism, advanced manufacturing, agriculture, and energy. The median household income is $72,120 and 31% of adults hold a 4-year college degree or higher.

Standardized Testing

(All 11th graders in Colorado are required to take the SAT)

	MHS Class of 2027 Average	Colorado State Average
Overall Score	991	982
Evidenced-Based Reading & Writing	502	505
Math	488	478

Mastery Learning & Grading

Montrose High School uses a standards-based Mastery Learning model aligned to the Colorado Academic Standards and clearly defined Priority Standards (Marzano-style proficiency scales). Grades reflect the most recent, consistent evidence of learning; behaviors and extra credit are not included. Students have multiple opportunities to demonstrate growth after feedback. Performance is reported on a 0–4 scale: 4.0 – Exceeds the standard; 3.0 (Target) – Meets the standard independently; 2.0 – Developing (foundational skills/vocabulary; partial success on 3.0 tasks); 1.0 – Beginning; 0 – Insufficient evidence. A 3.0 or higher indicates the student has met or exceeded the Colorado Academic Standards for the course/scale. For transcript reporting, the overall 0–4 score converts to a percentage using the district equivalency: 4.0=100%; 3.5=95%; 3.0=90%; 2.5=85%; 2.0=75%; 1.5=65%; 1.0=60%; 0.5=55%; 0.0=50%.

Pre- AP Courses/Curriculum

Montrose High School offers a sequence of Pre-AP courses that prepare students for Advanced Placement (AP) and concurrent enrollment. These courses emphasize critical thinking, problem solving, and strong academic foundations. Current offerings include:

- English/Reading, Writing, & Communicating (RWC 9 & 10)
- Mathematics (Geometry, Algebra II)
- Science (Biology, Chemistry)
- Social Studies (World History & Geography)

Built on the four pillars of Pre-AP—Close Observation and Analysis, Evidence-Based Writing, Higher-Order Questioning, and Academic Conversation—these courses strengthen college and career readiness while expanding pathways to advanced study.

Advanced Placement & Weighted Courses

English: AP Seminar, AP English Literature and Composition, AP English Language and Composition

Math: AP Calculus, AP Statistics, AP Precalculus

Social Studies: AP United States History, AP World History, AP US Government & Politics, AP Psychology

Science: AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics 1

World Languages: AP Spanish

Computer Science: AP Computer Science

Business: AP Business & Personal Finance

Special Programs & Certifications

Concurrent/Dual Enrollment College Credit: Math, Science, English, Social Studies, and Engineering

Career Pathways/Career & Technical Education: Agricultural Education; Automotive Mechanics; Business; Construction & Design; Education; Public Safety; Media & Communications; Work-Based Learning

Career Internships: Juniors & Seniors are able to participate in an internship (usually unpaid) in a wide spectrum of career fields and pathways of their interest in the Montrose Community.

Project Lead the Way: Biomedical Science & Engineering

Certify for Success: available to all 9-12 grade students and will provide a pathway toward earning industry-recognized certification(s) while they are still in high school.

The Seal of Biliteracy: Students may receive the seal of bliteracy for those who demonstrate academic proficiency in English and at least one other language.