# Class of 2029
# Finding Your Fit
## and
# Scheduling for Junior Year

## Planning Your Academic Future

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# Learning Targets

- Reflect on where you are and what comes next.
  - Who am I? What do I care about? What do I want life to look like?
  - Where do I want to be and how do I get there?
- How do I plan for my scheduling appointment?
- What classes should I take?
- What can I do now to prepare for junior year?

# Big Future




- Using Big Future
  - Exploring Careers
  - Exploring Colleges
  - Exploring Interests
  - Finding Scholarships
  - Planning for College
  - Comprehensive Dashboard

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# Considering the Future

- College?
- Workforce?
- Trade School?
- Military?
- Where to live?
- How much $$?
- What will my life look like?
- What do I value?

- What strengths and assets to help me reach my goals?
  - What attributes and skills do I have already?
- How can I best prepare to move forward?
  - What can I do now to be ready for tomorrow?
- It's so much to think about!
  - When and where can I get help?

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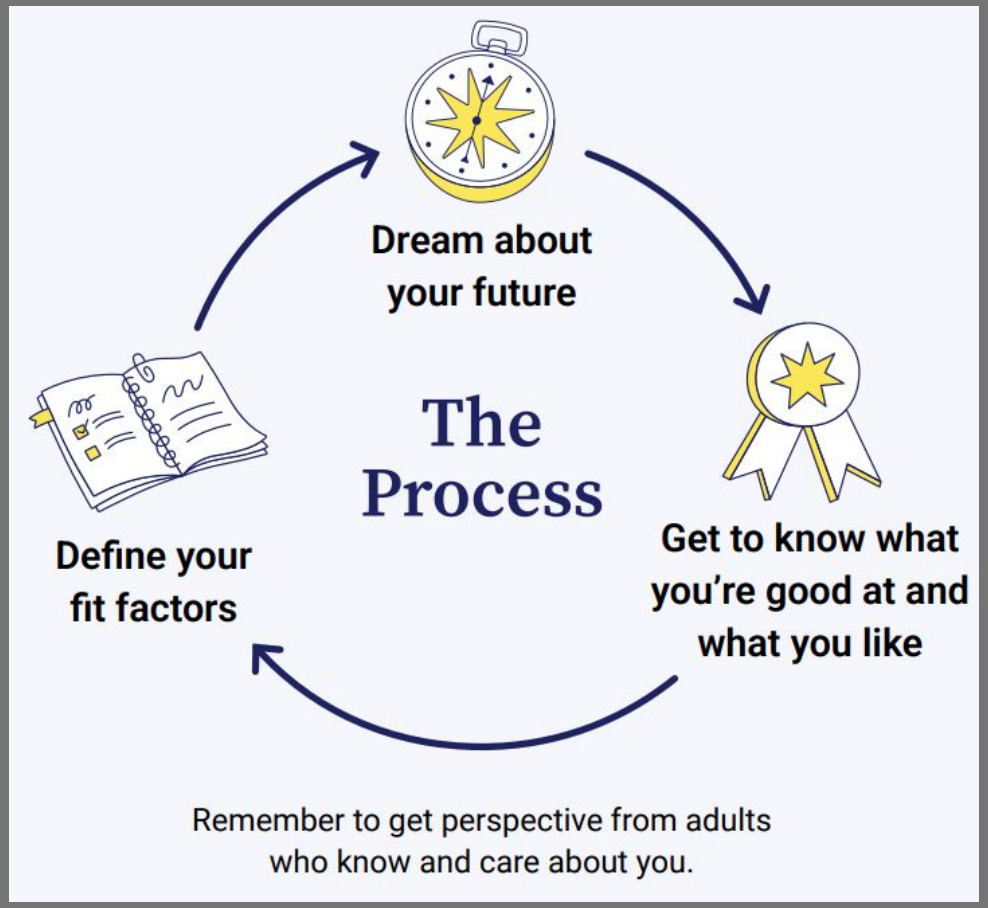
# First Steps




- Reflect on where you are and what comes next.
  - Who am I? What do I care about? What do I want life to look like?
  - How do I get there?
- Take time to think about who you are, what you care about, and what you want your life to look like. The rest gets clearer from there.
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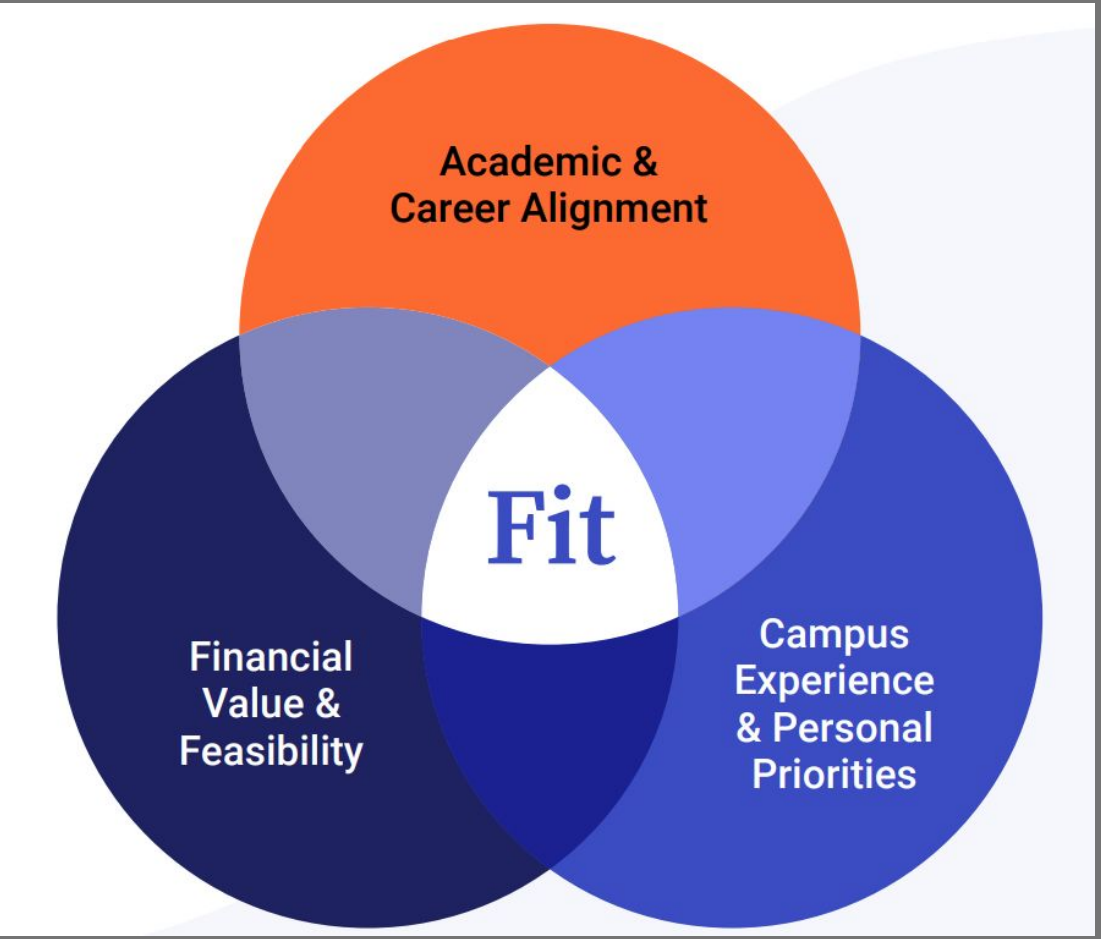
# Fit Factors




- Academic and Career Alignment
  - Post-secondary education plans
  - Career choices
- Campus Experience/Personal Priorities
  - College, Trade School, on the job training options
  - Align your interests and values
- Financial Value and Feasibility
  - What will it cost?
  - Do I have the means?

# Next Steps

- Log in to BigFuture
  - Take a Career Quiz / Do a Career Search
  - Take a College Quiz / Do a College Search
  - Explore College Majors
  - Search for Scholarships
- Consider a Trade
  - Explore the Hammond Area Career Center
  - Where can I get on the job training?
- Get a part-time job
- Consider the Military
  - Talk with a recruiter
- Consider an internship for senior year
- Make sure your high school course selections align -
  - Academic/Career Alignment
  - Campus Experience and Personal Priorities
  - Financial Value and Feasibility

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# Scheduling Appointments

- Monday, November 30th through the following weeks.
- Be prompt and prepared.
- Counselors will send passes with your appointment time.
- Make a digital pass to come to Guidance at your assigned time.
- The pink form is our working document for your appointment. You should fill as many class selections before your appointment as possible.
- You will be going over and adjusting your 4 Year Plan as well.
- Email the form to your counselor, if you can't save and email then bring in the physical copy.

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# Course Selection Form 4-Year Plan

## COURSE SELECTIONS FOR 11th GRADE- 2027-28

*Please bring this completed form to your scheduling appointment.*

**Name:** _____ **COUNSELOR:** _____

| *SEMESTER 1* | *SEMESTER 2* |
|---|---|
| English | English |
| Math | Math |
| Science | Science |
| US History | US History |
| | |
| | |
| | |

***Alternate Classes:*** **1.** _____ **2.** _____

***Intended* Summer School Classes: 1.** _____ **2.** _____

*Note: This is not a sign-up sheet for Summer School. You must register for Summer School with Student Services in April.*

**Box 1: Diploma type - Please choose one:**

- ☐ Indiana Diploma
- ☐ with Honors Enrollment Seal
- ☐ with Honors Employment Seal (Internship required)
- ☐ with Honors Enlistment Seal
- ☐ with Honors Enrollment PLUS Seal (ICC & Internship required)
- ☐ with Honors Employment PLUS Seal (Internship required)
- ☐ with Honors Enlistment PLUS Seal

**Box 2: Employability Skills (clubs, sports, part-time employment):**

**Box 3: Post-secondary Ready Competencies (please check all viable options):**

- ☐ A qualifying score on the SAT or ACT
- ☐ An Academic or Technical Honors Diploma
- ☐ Three dual credit classes with C or better
- ☐ Three AP classes and exams with C or better
- ☐ Attend the Hammond Area Career Center
- ☐ Career-Technical Education Concentrator (Pathway)

**Career-Technical Education Concentrator Pathways I would like to Explore** (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ PLTW Biomedical Sciences
- ☐ PLTW Engineering
- ☐ Entrepreneurship
- ☐ Computer Science
- ☐ Human Services
- ☐ Health and Exercise Science
- ☐ Fine Arts - Band
- ☐ Fine Arts - Chorale
- ☐ Fine Arts - Orchestra
- ☐ Fine Arts - 2D Art
- ☐ Fine Arts - 3D Art (Ceramics)
- ☐ Hammond Area Career Center

**Plans after High School?** _____

**Possible Career(s)?:** _____

## Munster High School - 4-Year Graduation Plan Worksheet

**Name:** _____ **Graduation Year:** _____

**Box 1 Diploma Type:**

- ☐ Indiana Diploma
- ☐ with Honors Enrollment Seal
- ☐ with Honors Employment Seal *(Internship Required)*
- ☐ with Honors Enlistment Seal
- ☐ with Honors Enrollment **PLUS** Seal *(ICC & Internship Required)*
- ☐ with Honors Employment **PLUS** Seal *(Internship Required)*
- ☐ with Honors Enlistment **PLUS** Seal

**Box 2 Activity:** _____

**Box 3 Pathway:** *(if required)*

- ☐ Biomedical Science
- ☐ Computer Science
- ☐ Engineering
- ☐ Entrepreneurship
- ☐ Exercise Science
- ☐ Human Services
- ☐ 2D Art
- ☐ 3D Art
- ☐ Band
- ☐ Choir
- ☐ Orchestra
- ☐ Area Career Center (ACC)

SUMMER SCHOOL *or 8th Grade*

| Freshman Year | | |
|---|---|---|
| Semester 1 | Semester 2 | For scheduling purposes only |
| | | *Alternate Class 1:* |
| | | *Alternate Class 2:* |

SUMMER SCHOOL

| Sophomore Year | | |
|---|---|---|
| Semester 1 | Semester 2 | For scheduling purposes only |
| | | *Alternate Class 1:* |
| | | *Alternate Class 2:* |

SUMMER SCHOOL

| Junior Year | | |
|---|---|---|
| Semester 1 | Semester 2 | For scheduling purposes only |
| | | *Alternate Class 1:* |
| | | *Alternate Class 2:* |

SUMMER SCHOOL

| Senior Year | | |
|---|---|---|
| Semester 1 | Semester 2 | For scheduling purposes only |
| | | *Alternate Class 1:* |
| | | *Alternate Class 2:* |

**Plans After High School:** _____

(ex: college, employment, trades/apprenticeship, military)

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# Appointment Day
## In Person

- Your pass will include a meeting time. Please be in the Guidance Office at your assigned meeting time. Remember to complete your Digital Pass to Guidance.
- Have completed digital Pink form available. Complete and Save with Adobe Reader. Email it to your counselor as soon as it is complete before your meeting.
- If you can’t email it make sure you bring your physical copy.
- For all students we make every attempt to set meetings for non-core classes.

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# Course Selection Guide  Course O

## 2026-2027
## Munster High School
## Course Selection Guide

*Our mission is to help students demonstrate academic growth and social responsibility in a supportive and intellectually challenging learning environment.*


**MHS Guidance Department**
**8808 Columbia Avenue**
**Munster, IN 46321**
**Phone: 219-836-3200 | Fax: 219-836-3218**


*Please understand that this document will be updated as new information is released by the DOE.*

*Last updated 11/13/2025*

## 11th GRADE COURSE OFFERINGS, 2027-28
(Note: One semester classes are in boldface type)

**LANGUAGE ARTS**
English 11
AP Eng. Language/Comp
**Advanced Speech**
**Creative Writing***
**Journalism**
Stu. Media: Newspaper*
Stu. Media: Yearbook*

**MATHEMATICS**
Geometry*
Algebra II*
Pre-Calc/Trig*
Honors Pre-Calc/Trig*
**Trigonometry***
**Probability & Statistics***
AP Statistics
AP Calc AB
AP Calc BC

**SOCIAL STUDIES**
**Ancient World History**
**Modern World History**
Pre-AP World History
US History
AP US History
AP Psychology
AP Human Geography
**Psychology**
**Indiana Studies**

**SCIENCE**
Earth/Space Science
Chemistry*
Pre-AP Chemistry*
Integrated Chem/Physics
AP Chemistry
AP Biology
AP Environmental Science
Environmental Science (Project Bio)
Physics*
Honors Physics*
**AP Physics-Mech.**
**AP Physics-Elec & Mag.**
Anatomy & Physiology*
**Botany***
**Zoology***
**Human Genetics***
**Adv. Microbiology***

**SCIENCE (Continued)**
PLTW: Biomedical Science*
PLTW: Medical Interventions*
**Hospital Internship***

**PHYSICAL ED.**
**PE I & II***
**PE I & II: Weights I & II***
**Physical Conditioning 1 & II***
**Elective Weight Training**
**Health & Wellness***
Principles of Exercise Science
Kinesiology*
Human Performance*

**BUSINESS**
Prin. Bus. Management
Marketing Fundamentals*
**Computing Found for a Digital Age**
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A
Topics in Computer Science*
**Information Technology Internship***
Principles of Entrepreneurship
New Venture Development*
Entrepreneurial Operations*
**Business Internship***

**FINE ARTS & MUSIC**
Concert Band
Intermediate Orchestra (Phil)
Orchestra (Sym)
Beginning Choir
Intermediate Choir*
Chorale*
**Music Theory**
**Piano & Elec. Keyboard**
**Theatre Arts**
**Technical Theatre**

**VISUAL ARTS**
AP Studio Art
**Intro to 2-D Art**
**Drawing***
**2D Art 2***
**Painting I* & II***
**Ceramics I**
**Ceramics II***
**Ceramics III***
**Photography**

**WORLD LANGUAGES**
Spanish (1-3, Adv. IV/ AP V)
ASL (1-3)

**FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE**
**Intro to Cul. Arts I**
**Intro to Cul. Arts II***
**Prep College/Careers**
Principles of Human Services
Fundamentals of Human Services*
Advanced Social and Community Services*

**TECHNOLOGY ED.**
PLTW: Intro to Engineering
PLTW: Prin. of Engineering*
PLTW: Digital Electronics*
PLTW: Civil Eng/Architect*
**STEM Internship PNW***

**MULTIDISCIPLINARY**
**Peer Tutoring**
**Peer Tutoring- ELL**
**Study Hall**
**Student Assistant**
**Intro to Public Service**
**Career Exploration Internship**

**HAMMOND AREA CAREER CENTER**
(1 class=3 credits per sem)
Automotive Services
Civil and Architectural Engineering
Construction Trades- Carpentry
Cosmetology/Barbering
Criminal Justice and Law
Culinary Arts
Dental Careers
Digital Design and Graphic Arts
Digital Technology
Early Childhood Ed
Electrical Industrial Maintenan
Technician
Healthcare Specialist- CNA
Healthcare Specialist- EMS
Radio and Television
Underground Utility Location
Welding Technology 1&2

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# Before Your Scheduling Appointment

- Review course offerings and course descriptions (Course Selection Guide is attached to your email or on MHS website)
- Review the classes and credits required for your diploma
- Read course descriptions; listen to friends and family with a critical ear
- Remember, you are making selections for the entire school year
- Write down any questions you would like to ask your counselor

# After Your Scheduling Appointment

- Discuss selections with your parents
- Your counselor will email the course selection sheet and/or your four year plan to your parents/guardians after your meeting.
- Changes can be made until March 12th .

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# Indiana Graduation Pathways

- **Box #1 Earn Your Diploma**
  - All students should consider getting an Enrollment, Employment or Enlistment Seal or Seal Plus
- **Box #2 Employability Skills**
  - Be involved in high school sports, clubs or a part-time job.
- **Box #3 Post-Secondary Ready Competencies**
  - Earn a diploma Seal
  - Reach Benchmark on SAT
  - Take AP or Dual Credit classes
  - Career-Technical Education Concentrator (C- average or higher)
  - Take the ASVAB
  - Go to the ACC

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# AP Classes / Dual Credit

- Advanced Placement Classes
  - Review the recommended criteria to enroll in AP classes.
  - Review your AP Potential with your counselor.
  - AP courses are rigorous college-level classes.
- Concurrent Enrollment Classes
  - Able to earn college credit while taking classes at Munster HS
  - One way to fulfill Academic Honors requirements
  - Partnership with Ivy Tech, Purdue Northwest
  - Contact Mrs. Kristan Reed with any questions about Concurrent Enrollment.

# Hammond Area Career Center

- 16 Programs to choose from
  - Available programs online and in the Course Selection Guide.
- ACC will look at transcript/GPA, attendance and discipline records.
- Complete Online Enrollment and submit completed CTE Enrollment Confirmation form.
  - Online enrollment form open on January 20th.
- Make sure you let your counselor know you want to attend the ACC.
- **ACC Field Trip in January**.
- ACC Open House January 20th from 5pm-7pm

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# Admission into Indiana 4-year colleges

- Pursuing at least an Honors Enrollment Seal is best.
- Many colleges require 2 years of a world language and 7 or 8 semesters of math
- Competitive programs in business, science, or engineering always choose the best students available
- SAT or ACT scores may also be considered

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# Indiana Pre-Admissions

- Indiana Pre-Admissions: Your Path to College
  - Offers the chance to be pre-admitted to Indiana colleges during your senior year using your cumulative GPA, your SAT score, and/or diploma type.
  - You will receive a letter in the mail the fall of your senior year that includes instructions for how to participate.
- Enrollment Honors Plus Seal?
  - The new Indiana Diploma with the Enrollment Honors Plus Seal offers the chance to be admitted to all Indiana public colleges and universities, as well as some private Indiana colleges.

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# ICC- Indiana College Core

- ICC required for an Honors Enrollment Seal Plus
- 30 college credit hours of coursework completed at MHS.
- Enter Indiana public college with one year of college credit.
- List of required classes in packet.
- Make sure you let your counselor knows you intend to work toward the ICC at your scheduling meeting.

# Internships- Senior Year

- Benefits of an Internship:
  - Learn about various aspects of interested fields
  - Learn work-place skills
  - Prepare for College
  - Look great on applications or resumes
  - Fulfill a Graduation Pathway
- Prerequisites
  - Requirements vary based on the Internship. Please see the Course Selection Guide.
  - Show good character and exemplify good work-place skills
  - Applicants will be reviewed for grades, course work, attendance and discipline records.
- An Internship is required for most Diploma Seals.

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# Summer School?

- Register around Spring Break
  - Retake required classes for grades of F or a better grade for Academic Honors Diploma.
  - Possibly other classes available.
- Strict Attendance
- Usually starts right at the beginning of June.

# This Summer

- Participate in a summer enrichment program on a college campus
- Get a summer job for Box 2 Graduation Pathway
- Summer School
- Take a college visit
- Volunteer your time and give service to your community

# Scheduling Activity

- Take this opportunity to fill out your pink Course Selection Form and discuss your choices with your group.
  - Using the Course Selection Guide
  - Using the Senior Course Offering sheet
  - Opportunity to ask questions
- Email completed form to your School Counselor.
  - Digital forms are the most convenient for your meeting.

# Make your junior year at MHS the best year yet!



# Are You Pursuing an Academic Honors Diploma?

- One of the following is required for an Academic Honors Diploma.
  - Take an AP class.  Review “Recommended Prerequisites”
  - Whenever available sign up for Concurrent Enrollment/Dual credits
  - Earn a composite score of 26 for ACT or 1250 on SAT (with a minimum score of 560 on the Math section and 590 on the Reading and Writing section)

# New Classes for 2026/2027

- New Classes for Human Services Pathway
  - Principles of Human Services (Same as before)
  - Fundamentals of Human Services
  - Community Health Worker
- It is our goal to include the Personal Finance requirement with our Economics classes for this year's sophomores and all subsequent classes moving forward. All students at MHS take Economics senior year.

# Internship Opportunities

- STEM Capstone: Purdue NW (Engineering Pathway)-This course offers Munster seniors a unique opportunity to intern with STEM professors at Purdue University Northwest.
- Hospital Internship (Biomed Pathway)-This course offers seniors an opportunity to intern with medical professionals at Munster Community Hospital.
- Computer Tech Internship (Computer Science Pathway)- This course gives seniors the opportunity to intern with technical professionals at local businesses.
- Business Internship (Entrepreneurship Pathway)- This course allows students to intern at a local business with successful business professionals.

# College Sports Eligibility

- If you have the skills/ability to be considered for a Division I or Division II school:
  - Must qualify with certain grades and SAT or ACT score.
  - Do your research on the NCAA Eligibility Center website: http://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future/eligibility-center
  - Many online credit recovery programs will not be accepted by the NCAA—PLATO credit recovery is not acceptable (sometimes used to make up a failure). Some additional courses may not be accepted by the NCAA. If you need to make-up credits, plan to do it in the classroom setting.

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# Graduation Requirements

- 40 credits for the Core 40 Diploma and 40 credits for the General MHS Diploma
- 47 credits, 3.00 cumulative GPA, no grades lower than C- in required classes for the Academic and Technical Honors Diploma
- Fulfill Box 2 and Box 3 of Indiana Graduation Pathways. You will be able to discuss these options with your counselor
- To participate in the graduation ceremony-
  - a minimum of 45 credits for an AHD
  - or a minimum or 38 credits for a Core 40 or General Diploma
  - no less than 2 required classes needed

# BOX 2- Extra Curricular Activities or Part-time Job

- Participation in extra-curricular activities is highly encouraged. Your packet contains a list of points for MHS extracurricular activities!
- 8 total points are required to complete Box 2 if you use clubs, sports or activities.
- For example: Participation in 1 full season of a sport or 1 full year of Band/Orchestra is equal to 8 points.
- If you use part-time employment, you must work 75 hours TOTAL to meet the requirements.

# BOX 3- Post Secondary Competency

- Students must complete 1 of these options or meaningfully attempt 3 of them to qualify for a waiver.
  - Complete an Academic Honors OR Technical Honors Diploma
  - Earn college credit through Concurrent Enrollment or take AP classes.
  - Achieve ACT benchmark scores of the following (super-scoring allowed)
    - English 18 Reading 22 Math 22 Science 23
  - Achieve SAT Benchmark scores of the following (super-scoring allowed):
    - English 480 Math 530
  - Achieve qualifying ASVAB scores. Students must complete the required Intent to Enlist Form.
  - Complete a State and Industry-recognized Credential or Certification (Frequently earned through the Area Career Center of Hammond)
  - Career-Technical Education Concentrator (C- average or higher)

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