



**Welcome to  
9th Grade  
Parent &  
Student Night**

# Counseling Office Staff

Stephanie Honig, Assistant Principal- Guidance

- Karen McLaughlin, School Counselor
- Kayla Bimonte, School Counselor
- Elizabeth Turner, School Counselor
- Nicole Lebowitz, School Counselor
- Tatianna Ossa, School Counselor
- Monica Lo, Secretary
- Tessa Karikas, Intern
- Amalia Kouloglou, Intern

# **A message from the Nurse's office:**

New York State law requires that all students in Grade 9 have a health examination on file in the Nurse's Office. The Nurse's Office respectfully requests that you if have not submitted the required document, please do so as soon as possible.

Please note that New York State requires a specific form to be used for documentation of that physical. The State required form can be found on the Nurse's webpage or your student may pick up a form from the Nurse's Office.

Thank you.

# 8th grade vs 9th grade

- All classes are credit bearing
  - Remain on the transcript
- Middle School vs. High School
  - Rigor
  - Responsibility

# Role of the Counseling Office

- Counseling
- Parent Meetings
- Scheduling
- Academic Support Strategies
- Career Exploration
- College Counseling

# Communication

- X (Twitter) @mineolahs & @mineolaguidance @MineolaHS2027
- Annual Presentations
- Parent/Teacher Conference Night 11/15 (see Monthly newsletter)
- Monthly Guidance Evening Hours
- Guidance Website
- eSchool Parent Portal
- Students can make appointments by emailing their counselor (@mineola.k12.ny.us)

# NYS Graduation Requirements

<b>Courses</b>	<b>The Advanced Regents Diploma</b>	
	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Regents Exams</b>
<b>English</b>	<b>4</b>	Common Core English
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>4</b>	Global History U.S. History
<b>Math</b>	<b>3</b>	Common Core Algebra I Common Core Geometry Common Core Algebra II
<b>Science</b>	<b>3</b>	Living Environment 1 Additional Science
<b>Health</b>	<b>.5</b>	
<b>Art / Music</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>3</b>	Checkpoint A & B Exams
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>2 (.5 each year)</b>	
<b>Additional Courses</b>	<b>1.5</b>	
<b>Total Units:</b>	<b>22</b>	

# Academic Support

- EXTRA HELP – Available from your student's teachers
- PEER TUTORING – Students assist other students
- COUNSELORS CAN HELP –
  - Study and decision making skills
  - Stress management
  - Arrange meetings
  - Time management skills



# Gauges of Success

- Canvas Parent Account - \*pairing code
- Progress Reports (parent portal)
- Report Cards (parent portal) (11/17)
- Parent/Teacher Conference Night (11/15)
- Email Teachers/Counselors
  - High School Webpage
  - Staff Directory

# Honor Roll

Honor Roll = 84.5 – 89.49

High Honor Roll = 89.5 – 100

All courses  
included

# National Honor Society

Junior Induction based upon:

- 90 cumulative average for 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of 11<sup>th</sup> grade (also includes HS classes taken in 8th grade)
- An application relating to character, service and leadership, as well as a faculty committee acceptance.
- Advisors: Mrs. Lombardi & Mr. Donnellan



# Additional Pathways

## Manufacturing-10-12th

We offer a sequence of manufacturing courses where students learn technical drawing, manufacturing processes, Computer Aided Design, and Computer Numerical Control. They also participate in industry field trips.

## Computer Prog.-11th & 12th

Students have the opportunity to earn up to 28 college credits in computer programming.

Students take classes @MHS in their junior year and in their senior year spend half their day taking college classes @NCC & participating in an internship.

# Additional Pathways

## Healthcare Options

Juniors- Students can enroll in Intro to Healthcare as 11th graders, getting an overview of multiple healthcare jobs and take field trips to Northwell hospitals.

Seniors- Students take an EMT training course that ends in a certification exam.

## AP/Honors/College Level

We offer 21 AP courses and 14 College level courses.

Students can take these in lieu of graduation requirements as well as electives.

# AP Computer Science Principles

- Advanced Placement (AP) course that is an introductory computer science course
- AP Exam May 15, 2024
- If your child has testing accommodations you should've received a form in the mail for the counselor to apply to college board to provide accommodations on the AP exam.
- Create task (done in school) + Exam (70 Multiple choice questions)
- Extra help available with the Comp Sci teachers

## Seal of Biliteracy

Earned upon graduation:

- Demonstrates proficiency in two or more languages
- Portfolio completed in Advanced language courses
- Work is reviewed by teachers/committee



## Seal of Civic Readiness

Earned upon graduation

- Attain a high level of proficiency in terms of civic knowledge, skills, mindset and experiences.



# Get Involved!

- **Extracurricular Activities**
  - Clubs, Intramural Sports, Community Service
  - Explore your interests
  - Quality vs. Quantity
  - Be committed
  - Develop a passion
- **Leadership**
- **Volunteer**– Students who contribute at the local, state, national, or international level are seen as leaders and innovators.





# **Over 30 Clubs & Activities**

That's a lot of ways to be involved!

## **Club & Activity Guide**

## **Activity Calendar**

When all this fun stuff is happening!

# What to Expect:

- 10th grade-Course/scheduling options, career searches, college athletic recruitment night
- 11th grade- PSAT, college search process, college entrance exams (SAT, ACT)
- 12th grade- College and career counseling, senior parent night and a Financial Aid presentation

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# Thanks!

Any questions?