

**There will be a scheduling meeting for MTHS parents on Monday, 2/27, at 6 pm in the Café.
Mrs. Chew will explain the MTHS scheduling process and answer questions.**

Scheduling will begin on 3/1 for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Academic classes are selected by teacher recommendations. See below for level descriptions.
- Academy electives are pre-determined.
- Elective courses will be posted on the HS website. Please review the list with your child and select 3 electives for the schedule and 2 back up electives (we will use the backups when needed)
- Students recommended for another level of a foreign language should choose that elective first.
- Students may opt out of Physical Education if they are in the Dance academy or play a sport in their sophomore year and play that same sport as juniors and seniors, Please see attached agreement.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from Middle Township High School, students must earn 120 credits which must include:

20 credits in English (4 years)
5 credits in World Language
15 credits in Mathematics (3 years) (Including Algebra, Geometry & Algebra 2)
5 credits in World-History (1 year)
10 credits in U.S. History (2 years)
15 credits in Lab Science (3 years) (5 credits in Biology & 10 credits in additional laboratory science)
5 Credits in Career Education
5 Credits in a Computer course
5 Credits in Visual and/or Performing arts
2.5 Credits in Financial Literacy
30+ Elective Credits (Based on Graduation Requirements)

***All students must earn 15 credits including Algebra I and Geometry and a third year of math that builds on the concepts and skills of algebra and geometry and prepares students for college and 21st century careers**

***All students must earn 15 credits including at least five credits in laboratory biology/life science, an additional laboratory/inquiry-based science course including chemistry, environmental science, or physics; and a third laboratory/inquiry-based science course**

Each full year course carries 5 credits. Half-year courses carry 2.5 credits.

Academic levels (Recommended by teacher)

College Preparatory (CP):

Courses designated as CP are intended for students at grade level in their academic skills. Student ability level will be determined by previous academic achievement and standardized test scores, where available. Students enrolled in courses designated as CP will receive instruction that will prepare them to enter 4 year colleges with open or less competitive enrollment criteria, as well as attend other post-secondary schools or enter the work force.

Advanced (ADV):

Courses designated as ADV are intended for students with strong academic skills at or above grade level. Student ability level will be determined by previous academic achievement and standardized test scores, where available. Students enrolled in courses designated as ADV will receive instruction at a pace and depth that will prepare them to enter 4 year colleges with competitive/very competitive enrollment criteria, as well as attend other post-secondary schools or enter the work force.

Honors (HN): (must sign an Honors agreement, see attached form)

Courses designated as HN are intended for students who are well above grade level in their academic skills and possess the motivation and desire to extend themselves in terms of workload and expectation. Curriculum is delved into at a deeper level, often requiring students to demonstrate more abstract thinking and problem solving skills. More extensive reading and writing assignments are the norm. Honors courses are weighted at +.50 when calculating a student's GPA. Participation in honors courses is recommended of students seeking to gain entry into highly competitive colleges.

Advanced Placement (AP): (must sign an AP agreement, see attached form)

Courses designated as AP expose students to a curriculum approved through the recent AP Audit conducted by The College Board and are taught under guidelines established by this organization. Students enrolled in AP courses will be challenged at the highest level of academic difficulty available in a high school setting. Students have the option to sit for an exam in May of the year in which the course is taken. Colleges will often award credit for success on these examinations as measured by a score of 3, 4 or 5 (depending on the course and the college). AP courses are weighted at +.75 when calculating a student's GPA. Participation in AP Courses is required of students seeking to gain entry to most competitive 4 year colleges.