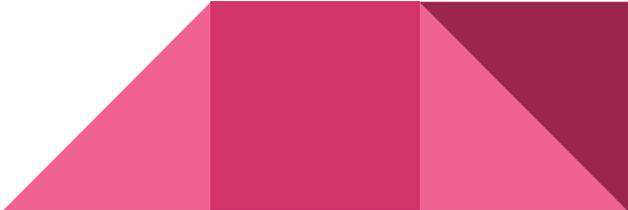


# CMHS New Student Orientation

2018-2019



# How many credits do you need for graduation?

- 23 credits total at CMHS
  - The state minimum requirement is 20 credits; however, CMHS requires that you earn 23 credits before graduation.
  - To stay on track, you will want to earn at least 5.75 credits per year.
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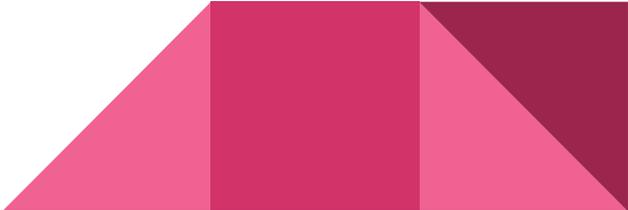
# What credits do I need to graduate?

- 4 English credits
- 4 math credits (at least one has to be Algebra II or the equivalent)
- 3 science credits (including a life science [Biology], a physical science [Physical Science or Chemistry], and an “advanced” science [Anatomy I/II, Zoology, Chemistry, most CCP science courses])
- 3 social studies (including World History, U.S. History, and Government)
- ½ credit of health
- ½ credit of physical education (if you use the waiver, you’ll need an additional ½ credit elective)
- 1 fine art credit (music classes or art classes)
- personal finance coursework\*\*
- 6.5 elective credits (pretty much anything else you take not listed above OR more courses than you needed above [example: if you take 5 English or math courses, one will be elective credit])

\*\*starting in '17-'18, this is built into World History

# Honors Diploma

If you want to graduate with honors, you need  $\frac{7}{8}$  of the following requirements:

- 4 credits in English
  - 4 credits in math (two must be Algebra II and beyond)
  - 4 credits in science (two must be an “advanced” science)
  - 4 credits in social studies
  - 3 credits in foreign language (or 2 credits each of two different foreign languages, for 4 credits total)
  - 1 fine arts credit
  - Unweighted GPA of at least 3.500
  - A composite ACT score of at least 27
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# What else do I need to graduate?

You must demonstrate that you are “graduation ready” on one of the three pathways:

- Earn at least 18 points on Ohio’s End-of-Course (EOC) exams
  - Earn your industry credential and workforce readiness
  - Earn “remediation free” scores in math and English on the ACT or SAT
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# End-of-Course Exams (EOC Exams)

Earn at least 18 points on the EOC tests:

Algebra I (or Int. Math I)*	Geometry (or Int. Math II)*	Biology*^
English I*	English II*	U.S. History^
Government^		

\*the state requires that you sit for this test

^if you take this course under College Credit Plus, you can substitute your course grade for your EOC score

- You must have a minimum of four points in math, a minimum of four points in English, and a minimum of six points in science and social studies. You must have an extra four points on any other test (total 18).

# EOC Points

<u>Points</u>	<u>Performance Level</u>
1	Limited
2	Basic
3	Proficient
4	Accelerated
5	Advanced

- Aim for a “3” on every test.
- It’s okay to have some lower scores; higher scores on other tests can help balance out lower scores.
- If you score a 1-2 on any test, most likely you will be asked to retake the test so that you have a chance to raise your score.
- You can retake the tests 2-3 times per year until your senior year.

# Industry Credential and Workforce Readiness

If you attend a career center, you have another pathway:

- You can earn 12 points IF you receive a credential in a single career field from a State Board of Education-approved program (such as one of the career centers) AND
  - You earn the industry-required score on WorkKeys, a work-readiness test
  - The State of Ohio will pay for you to take the WorkKeys test one time
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# College/Career Readiness Tests--ACT and SAT

You can also demonstrate “graduation readiness” through the following test scores:

<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>ACT</u></b>	<b><u>SAT</u></b>
English/Language Arts	English--18 or higher and Reading--22 or higher	Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) of 480 or higher
Math	22 or higher	530 or higher

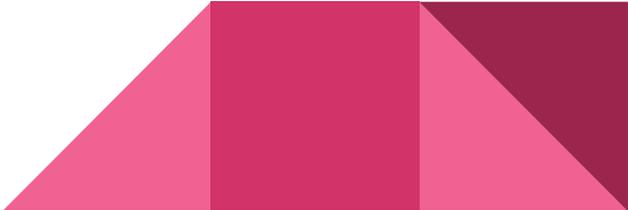
- These are subject to change every year (change has to be made by February 1 of your junior year)
- Ohio pays for all juniors to take the ACT in the spring

# Who can I go to for help?

Other than your teachers, the following staff members can help you:

- Principal--Mr. Seewer
  - Assistant Principal--Mr. Reynolds
  - Administrative Assistant--Mrs. Fairchild
  - Nurse--Mrs. Stenger
  - School Counselor (last names A-J)--Ms. Beres
  - School Counselor (last names K-Z)--Mrs. Potts
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# Academic Help/Study Tables

- Don't be afraid to ask questions of your teachers; they're here to help you.
  - Most teachers will help you individually before and after school, but you have to ask for help.
  - Study tables are available after school; one teacher from the department stays with the goal of helping anyone who wants to stay. There is no schedule yet, but the schedule will be posted ASAP. If you stay for study tables, you are allowed to ride the elementary bus home (with a pass from your teacher).
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# Changes From Middle School

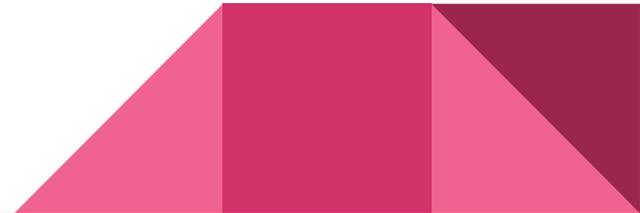
- Your credits will count toward graduation; it's important to pass every class.
  - Your GPA will be used to help determine what comes next (college, military, training program, etc.); it's important to do as well as you can.
  - State tests count toward graduation requirements; you are accountable.
  - Teachers will expect you to be responsible; you'll have more independence and will need to be organized and keep up with your work.
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# High School Procedures

- You shouldn't be in the building until 7:00; at 7:25, the bell will ring. Go to your locker and proceed to first period. The bell rings at 7:30; if you are late, report to Mrs. Fairchild to get a tardy pass to class.
  - You have four minutes between periods. You cannot carry a bag, so we suggest getting the books/supplies you need for your morning classes and visiting your locker before lunch to switch to your afternoon books/supplies.
  - You need a pass to go any place in the building (including the main office, counseling office, and nurse). Carry your agenda with you so that teachers can sign it. You'll also need your agenda to check in with Mrs. Fairchild whenever you are absent.
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# Rule Reminders

- Cell phones can be used before school, after school, and during your lunch. Teachers can also give you permission to use your phone in their classrooms; otherwise, your phone should be put away at all times.
- Please read and adhere to the dress code (found in the student handbook); if you are in violation of the dress code, you will be sent to the office to wait for a parent/guardian to bring you a change of clothes; if they cannot, you will have to sit in ISS for the rest of the day.
- Backpacks are not allowed.



# Things to Do

- Familiarize yourself with the Student Handbook (given out on the first day).
- Check your email regularly; important information is communicated from office staff and teachers via email.
- Make sure that you use Progress Book to check your grades regularly; you'll get log-in information on the first day of school.
- Consider getting involved in sports, clubs, and other extracurricular activities.
  - You'll get to know new people
  - You'll have more activities on your resume. Colleges/military are looking for well-rounded students with community involvement and volunteer time.

# Now What Happens?

At this time, you can:

- Find your locker
- Find your classrooms (we suggest following your schedule)

There are members of our Student Council, Key Club, and National Honor Society located around the building. They are here to help you find your way and to help answer any questions that you have.



# Questions?

