

MARSHALL COUNTY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL Home of the Northern Freeze

9th Grade REGISTRATION INFORMATION

2024-2025

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To meet graduation requirements, one must successfully earn a **<u>minimum of</u>** <u>**26 credits**</u> in the following areas.

ENGLISH

(4 credits)

- English 9 (1 credit)
- English 10 or Advanced English 10 (1 credit)
- 1/2 credit in WRITING (Jr/Sr Composition, College Writing, or a principal approved course)
- 1/2 credit in LITERATURE (American Literature, Novels I, Novels II, British Literature, Genres in Literature, Exploring British Literature, or a principal approved course)
- 1.0 credit in English ELECTIVES (see the Registration Manual for options)

*The Writing, Literature and English Electives requirements must be completed sometime in the 11th and/or 12th grades. Electives not included in the 'Course Descriptions' section of the Registration Manual are subject to principal approval.

MATH (3 credits)

- Geometry (1 credit)
- Algebra II or Advanced Algebra II (1 credit)
- Functions, Stats, Trig (FST), Contemporary Math, Advanced Math, or College Algebra (1 credit)

*The MN Department of Education requires all students to successfully complete one credit of Algebra I. Any student who has not taken this course or passed it in the 8th grade will need to complete the requirement. This would be in addition to the 3 credits of math referenced above.

SOCIAL STUDIES (4 credits)

- Social 9 (1 credit)
- American History 10 (1 credit)
- World History I or World History II (.50 credit)
- Economics (.50 credit) and Government (.50 credit)
- 1/2 credit in a Social Studies Elective (see the Registration Manual for options)

SCIENCE (3 credits)

- Science 9 (1 credit)
- Biology or Advanced Biology (1 credit)
- Chemistry, CIS Chemistry, or Physics (1 credit)

HEALTH and PHYSICAL EDUCATION (1.0 credit in PE and .50 credit in Health)

- PE 9 (.50 credit)
- PE 10 (.50 credit)
- Health 10 (.50 credit)

ART (1 credit)

- Art 9 (.25 credit)
- Electives (.75 credit)

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY (.25 credit)

• See the Registration Manual for options

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY (.25 credit)

• Industrial Tech 9 (.25 credit)

CAREER and COLLEGE READINESS/GUIDANCE (.50 credit)

• Careers 11 (.50 credit)

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE (FACS) (.50 credit)

• Child Development 9 (.50 credit)

ELECTIVES

(8 credits)

***one elective must be in Personal Finance in grades 11 or 12

- An **elective** is any course that has not already been utilized to meet a requirement in another subject area. Please see the 'Course Description' section of the Registration Manual for a full list of options.
- Electives can provide you with a solid foundation for understanding course work in college and can help you bolster your knowledge-base for employment.
- Make sure to keep your post-secondary plans in mind when making selections. Taking a variety of electives is a great way to <u>explore subject</u> <u>areas as they relate to career options</u>. For information on career fields, clusters and pathways, go to <u>https://careerwise.minnstate.edu/careers/fields.html</u> or download the graphic below.



The following chart offers some suggested courses/electives to take based on the career field you wish to explore.

Career Field	Some Suggested Electives/Courses	
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	Culinary Art I and II, Pastry Arts, Global Foods, Coffee 101, Environmental Science I and II, Ecology I and II, CIS Biology, CIS Chemistry, Topics in Life Science, Online Agriculture Options	
Business, Management, and Administration • Management & Administration • Finance • Hospitality and Tourism • Marketing, Sales and Service	School Store, Public Speaking, Online Business-Related Courses, Student Mentor, Graphic Design, Digital Design	
Communications & Information Systems Information Technology Arts, Audio/Video Technology and Communication 	Media Productions I & II, Media Communications, Digital Design, Video Game Design, Video Production, Novels I & II, College Writing, American Literature, Genres in Literature, British Literature, Children's Literature, Creative Writing, Mythology, Jr/Sr Composition, Graphic Design, Drawing, Painting, Art I & II, Sculpture, Ceramics I & II, Murals, Crafts I & II, Industrial Crafts I & II, Sewing I & II, Computer Apps/Robotics, Band, Choir and Online Computer-Art-English Courses	
 Engineering, Manufacturing & Technology Architecture and Construction Manufacturing Science, Engineering, Tech, & Math Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics 	College Algebra, Pre-Calculus, FST, Contemporary Math, Advanced Math, Online Advanced Math and Science Options College Chemistry, Physics, College Biology, Welding, Intro to Construction, Interior Finish I & II, Exterior Finish I & II, Small Engines, Motorcycle/Snowmobile Engines, Senior Woodshop, Computer Apps/Robotics, Tech Skills 12	
Health Science Technology	CIS Anatomy and Physiology I & II, College Biology, College Chemistry, Physics, College Algebra, Pre-Calculus, Forensic Science, Online Health Options	
 Human Services Education and Training Government & Public Administration Human Services Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security 	Psychology, Sociology, Criminal Justice, Teacher Assistant, Issues in Democracy, Advanced Topics in Social Studies, Current Events, Social Problems, 60's-70's, 80's-Present, Political Science, Forensic Science, and Online Options	

REQUIREMENTS BY GRADE: 2028 and Beyond

	9	10	11	12
English (4 credits)	1 credit English 9	1 credit English 10 <u>OR</u> Advanced English 10	¹ / ₂ credit in Literature (Am Lit, Brit Lit, Novels I/II, Genres in Lit); ¹ / ₂ credit Writing (College Writing, Jr/Sr Comp); 1.0 credit in English Electives	
Social Studies (4 credits)	1 credit Social 9	1 credit American History	 ½ credit Economics ½ credit in Government ½ credit World History ½ credit in a Social Elective 	'e
Science (3 credits)	1 credit Science 9	1 credit Biology or Advanced Biology	1 credit of Chemistry, CIS Chemistry or Physics	
Math (3 credits)	1 credit Geometry 9	1 credit Algebra II OR Advanced Algebra II	1 credit CIS College Algebra <u>OR</u> FST <u>OR</u> Contemporary Math <u>OR</u> Advanced Math	
PE/Health (1 ½ credits)	½ credit PE 9	½ credit PE 10 ½ credit Health 10		
FACS (¹ / ₂ credit)	1⁄2 credit Child Development			
Career & College Readiness(½ credit)			1/2 credit Careers 11	
Tech Ed (¼ credit)	See the Registration Manual for options	See the Registration Manual for options	See the Registration Manual for options	See the Registration Manual for options
Industrial Tech (¼ credit)	¼ credit Industrial Tech 9			
Arts (1 credit)	¹ ⁄ ₄ credit Art 9; additional ³ ⁄ ₄ credit Art electives in grades 9-12 (refer to the list of approved Art courses in the Registration Manual)			
Electives (8 credits) *must include a course in Personal Finance	Up to 1 credit can be earned in 9th grade	Up to 2 credits can be earned in 10th grade	*varies depending on schedule	*varies depending on schedule
Minimum Credits Per Year	7 credits	7 credits	6*-7 credits *on track students enrolled in 3+ college classes can have a Study Hall	6*-7 credits *on track students enrolled in 3+ college classes can have a Study Hall
Total to Graduate				26 CREDITS

PROGRESS TOWARDS GRADUATION

Monitoring a student's progress is a group effort. Parents, guardians and students should familiarize themselves with graduation requirements and check regularly on grades and credits. An easy way to do this is via the 'Parent and Student Vues' on

Synergy. If you are not familiar with how to access Synergy, please contact the school office for assistance. The principal and school counselor are also available to help answer any questions you may have about graduation requirements as well.

REPEATING A COURSE

- A student may repeat a course for which a failing grade was earned. The original 'F' will remain on a student's transcript even after a new grade is earned.
- Students **must** repeat any required courses for graduation for which they received a failing grade.
- Some elective courses, as indicated in the Registration Guide, may be repeated for additional credit.
- Please visit with the principal or school counselor about how you can make-up any failed or missing credits. In addition to re-taking a course at the MCC High School, there are online options as well as courses at the Area Learning Center in Thief River Falls.

CREDIT WORKSHEET

On the following pages, you will find a credit worksheet that you can use to track your progress towards meeting graduation requirements. Please see the principal or school counselor if you have any questions.

ENGLISH (4 credits)	CREDITS	COMPLETED
English 9 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
English 10 or Advanced English 10 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
Literature Course	.5	
English Writing (College Writing or Jr/Sr Comp.)	.5	
English Elective	.5	
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MATH (3 credits)	CREDITS	COMPLETED
Geometry 9 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
Algebra II or Advanced Algebra II (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
CIS College Algebra or FST or Contemporary Math or Advanced Math (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
SOCIAL STUDIES (4 credits)	CREDITS	COMPLETED
Social 9 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
American History 10 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
Economics	.5	
World History (I or II)	.5	
Government	.5	
Social Studies Elective	.5	
SCIENCE (3 credits)	CREDITS	COMPLETED
Science 9 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
Biology 10 or Advanced Biology 10 (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
Chemistry, CIS Chemistry, or Physics (must pass semester one and semester two)	1	
PE & HEALTH (1.5 credits)	CREDITS	COMPLETED
Physical Education 9	.5	
Physical Education 10	.5	
Health 10	.5	
INDUSTRIAL TECH, COMPUTER TECH, FACS & CAREERS (1.5 credits)	CREDITS	COMPLETED

Computer Technology (see the Registration Manual for options)	.25	
Child Development	.5	
Careers 11	.5	
ART (1 credit)	CREDITS	COMPLETED
Art 9	.25	
Art Elective (list course):		
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ELECTIVES (8 credits) * <mark>must take a Personal Finance course—state requirement</mark>	List Additional Elective Courses	Credit
List Course & Credit:		
CREDITS BY GRADE	In Progress	Completed
Grade 9		
Grade 10		
Grade 11		
Grade 12		
Total Earned Credits (26 minimum are required for graduation)		

9th GRADE REGISTRATION

Welcome to High School. During your freshman year, the majority of your schedule is filled with courses that are required for graduation. During 5th period, you will be able to select classes of your choosing.

The required courses you will take include:

- Science 9 (full year)
- English 9 (full year)
- Geometry (full year)
- Social 9 (full year)
- 1/2 credit of Child Development (semester)
- 1/4 credit of Careers 9 (quarter)
- ¹/₄ credit of Art 9 (quarter)
- 1/4 credit of Industrial Tech 9 (quarter)
- ¹/₂ credit of PE 9 (semester)
- 1/4 credit of Drivers Ed (quarter)

5th PERIOD ELECTIVE CHOICES

Please note, if you are in Choir (an 'A' day course), you would also need to choose a 'B' day course to finish off your schedule in every quarter or semester. If you are in Band (a 'B' day course), you would also need to choose an 'A' day class. If you are NOT in Band or Choir, you must select from classes that meet on 'AB' days only.

Students who are NOT in BOTH BAND and CHOIR must take **one** quarter of Applied Programming **and** a quarter of Computer 9. Students who take Textile Arts/Quilting will not have to take Computer 9, only Applied Programming.

Non-music students are encouraged to take an Art Elective (Band, Choir, Drawing, Graphic Design, Sculpture, or Textile Arts/Quilting). Due to space limitations, students will not likely be

allowed more than one or two quarters of a PE Elective. Remember, you will have PE 9 in your schedule already (daily in semester two). You will also have a quarter of Art 9 in your schedule as well (but overall, need 1 credit in Art to meet graduation requirements).

Term	A Day Courses	B Day Courses	AB Day Courses (if you are NOT in Band or Choir)
Semester One Options	Choir (semester course)	Band (semester course)	
Quarter One Options	Applied Programming I Outdoor Sports	Applied Programming I Outdoor Sports	Applied Programming I Outdoor Sports
Quarter Two Options	Drawing Applied Programming I-II Yearbook School Store Exploring the Trades	Drawing Applied Programming I-II Yearbook School Store Exploring the Trades	Drawing Applied Programming I-II Yearbook School Store Exploring the Trades
Semester Two Options	Choir (semester course)	Band (semester course)	Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)
Quarter Three Options	Applied Programming I-III Fitness/Strength Training Graphic Design Computer Technology 9 Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)	Applied Programming I-III Fitness/Strength Training Graphic Design Computer Technology 9 Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)	Applied Programming I-III Fitness/Strength Training Graphic Design Computer Technology 9 Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)
Quarter Four Options	Sculpture Applied Programming I-IV Computer Technology 9 Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)	Sculpture Applied Programming I-IV Computer Technology 9 Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)	Sculpture Applied Programming I-IV Forensic Science Computer Technology 9 Textile Arts/Quilting (must take in both quarters 3 and 4)

Meeting Graduation Requirements

Your credits toward graduation start counting in 9th grade so do your best! Students <u>must repeat</u> any required course for which they received a failing grade. Courses that have to be repeated may result in:

- students missing out on elective options
- students needing to enroll at the Area Learning Center in Thief River Falls during the summer or during evening sessions throughout the school year
- ineligibility for sports and other school activities
- postponed graduation

Transcript

All of your senior high grades are recorded on a document called a

'**transcript'**. Your transcript follows you throughout high school and beyond. It is reviewed by:

- The high school counselor and principal to determine if graduation requirements have been met
- College and/or military representatives to determine if you will be admitted
- Scholarship Committees
- Employers to determine if you are hireable (they are looking at your ability and work ethic)

Workplace Expectations

Your job is to be a student right now. In order to be successful at any job, there are common expectations that need to be met. Some of these include:

- Showing up on time
- Limiting your absences
- Being prepared and ready to work
- Communicating properly (be respectful with your words; ask for clarification if you don't understand something; respond to requests in a timely manner; LISTEN; pay attention; take notes)
- Doing your work to the best of your ability
- Completing your work on time
- Working well with others (teamwork and collaboration)