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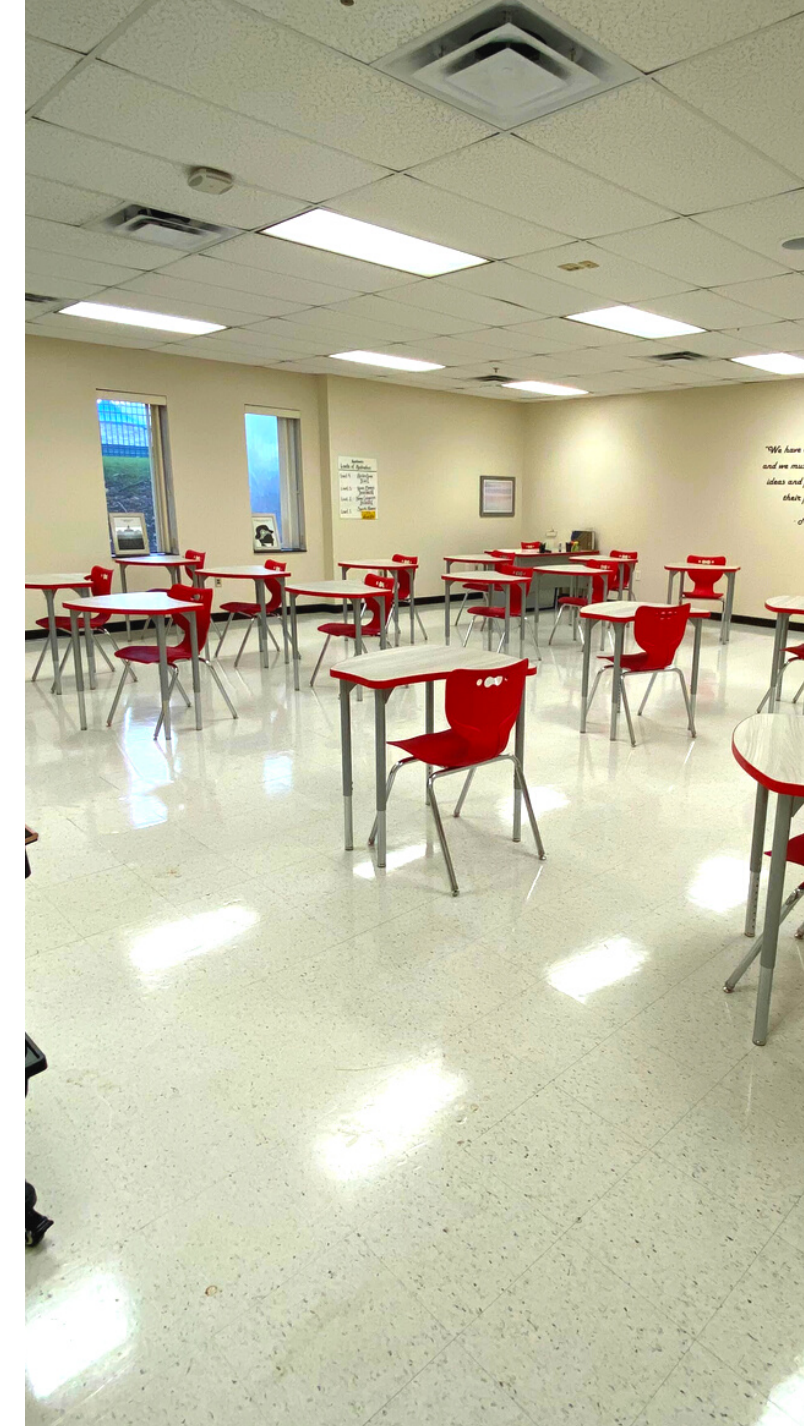
FRESHMEN

ORIENTATION



MEDICAL DISTRICT
HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to Medical District High School!



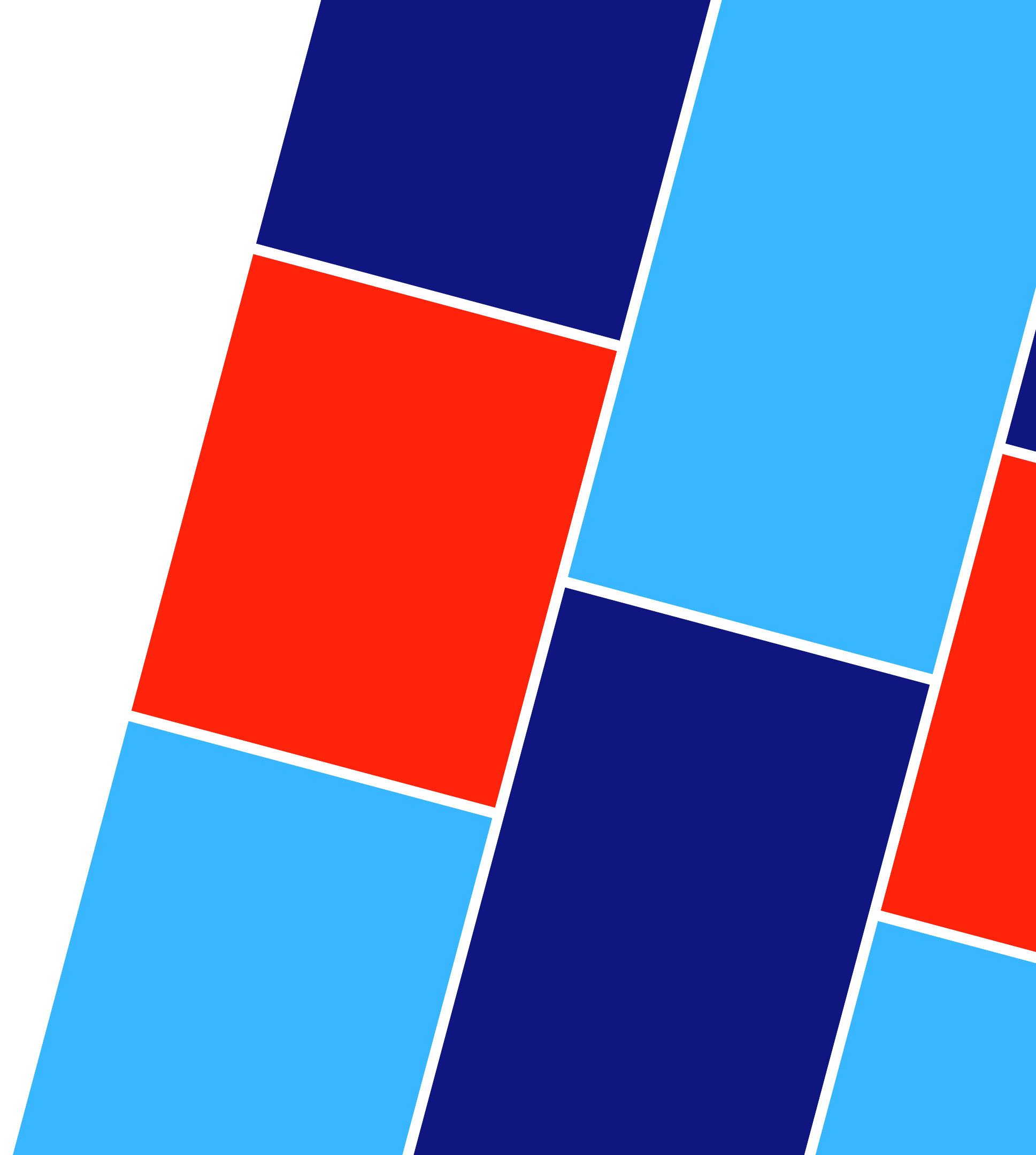
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Ready to Engage



Goals & Objectives of Freshmen Orientation

Provide information and resources that will allow students to make informed and appropriate academic plans and healthy social choices;

Create a welcoming environment that builds a sense of community among the incoming class and connects them to faculty and staff;

Provide a framework for four years of success through the communication of expectations, norms, and standards.

ICE BREAKER

If you could compete in *any* olympic sport, then which sport would you compete in and why?

Tell us in the chat!



Faculty & Staff

Mrs. Ivy - Principal

Dr. Tutwiler - Vice Principal

Ms. Dooley - Financial Secretary

Ms. Harris - Office Associate

Mr. Vanaman - Early College Advisor

Mrs. Sweezer - Professional School Counselor

Mrs. Dunavant - Project Specialist

Mr. Stewart - English I Honors

Mrs. He - Algebra I Honors

Mr. Ricketts - World History Honors

Ms. Woody - Biology I Honors

Mr. Arias Ayala - Coding

Mrs. Charlton - Spanish I Honors

School Information

School Address:

737 Union Avenue, Building E

School Hours:

8:15am-3:15pm

Arrival/Dismissal:

Students may arrive to school beginning at 7:45am and head to the cafeteria.

Pick-up/Drop-off Location:

This is the area in front of the main entrance (on Walnut/S. Manassas St.) designated by white diagonal lines.

Cafeteria:

Breakfast will be served from 7:45am-8am. Students are to finish breakfast and be ready for class at 8:15am. Lunch is served from 11-11:30am/11:55am-12:25pm.



UPDATED COVID-19 PROTOCOLS FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

Biggest Takeaways:

- Masks must be worn regardless of vaccination status.
- Social distancing will still be practiced.
- Temperature checks are only required of guests.



FAST FACTS - Updated COVID-19 Protocols

FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

The American Academy of Pediatrics released new COVID-19 guidance for schools that supports in-person learning and recommends universal masking in school for everyone over the age of 2, regardless of vaccination status.

Continued Protocols

Masks

- Masks should be worn indoors (schools) and on buses by all employees and students, regardless of vaccination status **until further notice**.

Water

- Bottled water will be provided and students are strongly encouraged to bring water containers.

Social Distancing

- Students will socially distance to the extent possible in classrooms, hallways, common spaces, when moving through the food service line, and while eating.

Updated Protocols

In-Person School Activities, Sports/Extra Curricular

- School activities for employees and students (before, during, and after school), including athletics, will resume, and participants will follow District COVID-19 protocols.
- Normal District-approved practices and processes relating to field trips will resume, and participants will follow COVID-19 protocols.

Playgrounds/Recess

- Playgrounds will reopen for students with social distancing to the extent possible.

Devices

- Like textbooks and supplies, devices should be charged and brought to school daily.

Student Uniforms

All uniform apparel must have the school logo on it, which can be found at the QR code below.

Shirts:

Polo Style: Navy, Red, Light Blue, or White

Oxford Style (Button Down): Light Blue or White

T-shirts: Navy, Red, Light Blue, or White (Worn on Fridays or designated school spirit days)

Bottoms:

Navy or Khaki Pants (can be bought outside of online store)/Skirts

Cardigan/Sweater:

Red, Navy, or White

Sweatshirt/Hoodie:

Red, Navy, White, or Gray

Shoes:

You can choose your own shoes. However, there must be a strap around the back of your heel.

Any student not attired in accordance with the policy shall be directed to correct the violation or spend the remainder of the day in in-school suspension (ISS). Repeat offenders shall be subject to additional measures which include parent conferences, in-school suspension, and out-of-school suspensions as described in the District-wide discipline policy.



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Transportation

Since we are a choice school, families are responsible for their child's transportation to and from school.

However, students do have access to MATA public transportation. We are awaiting confirmation from SCS regarding students' bus passes. Below is information from the MATA website:

- "All students in grades 1-12 are eligible for a discounted student fare rate. Proof of enrollment and a form of identification is required, such as birth certificate, social security card, insurance card, and parents or guardians may serve as a form of identification."

Grading Protocols

Grading Scale:

- A ----- 93-100
- B ----- 85-92
- C ----- 75-84
- D ----- 70-74
- F ----- 69-0

Grading Categories & Weights (Per Nine Weeks):

- Homework: 10% (minimum of 4 grades)
- Class Participation: 5% (minimum of 4 grades)
- Classwork: 35% (minimum of 4 grades)
- Projects/Portfolios/Presentations: 10% (minimum of 1 grade)
- Assessments: 40% (minimum of 4 grades)

Graduation Requirements

There are 22 required credits for graduation.

English -----	4 credits
Mathematics (must include Algebra I, II, Geometry) -----	4 credits
Science (must include Biology, Chemistry I or Physics/Lab) -----	3 credits
Social Studies (must include World History and Geography, U.S. History and Geography, Economics/United States Government) -----	3 credits
Foreign Language (same language) -----	2 credits
Wellness -----	1 credit
Fine Arts -----	1 credit
Physical Education -----	½ credit
Personal Finance -----	½ credit
Elective Focus -----	3 credits
(College and Career Technical Education (CCTE), Science and Mathematics, Humanities, Fine Arts, Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB))	

Scan the QR code to compare MDHS's 4-year programs of study!



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Academic Pathways

Allied Health

This degree pathway may be used by students interested in health care fields such as Nursing, Radiology, Medical Laboratory Technology, medical research, and more.

Information Technology

Students interested in careers in Systems Analysis, Database Administration, Network Administration, and Programming should consider this degree.

General Studies

This degree pathway may be used by students who have not decided on a major but are planning to complete a Bachelor's degree at a four-year university.

9th Grade Course Selection

Mandatory:

1. English I Honors
2. World History Honors
3. Biology I Honors
4. BOTH Physical Education/Wellness (dual enrollment)
5. Pathway Focus (see below)
6. Math (see below)
7. Foreign Language (see below)

Choice:

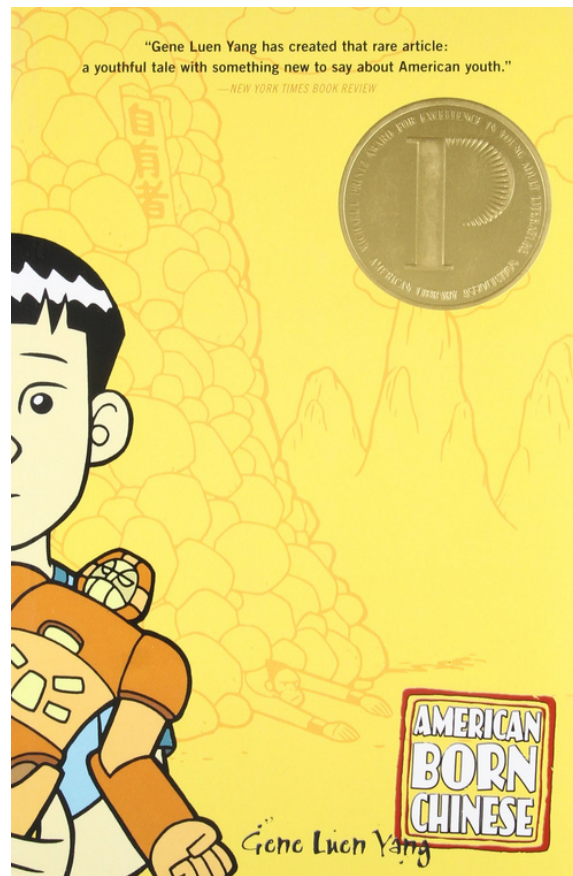
- Health Science Education OR Coding
- Algebra I Honors OR Geometry Honors
- Spanish I Honors (in-person) OR Latin I Honors (online)



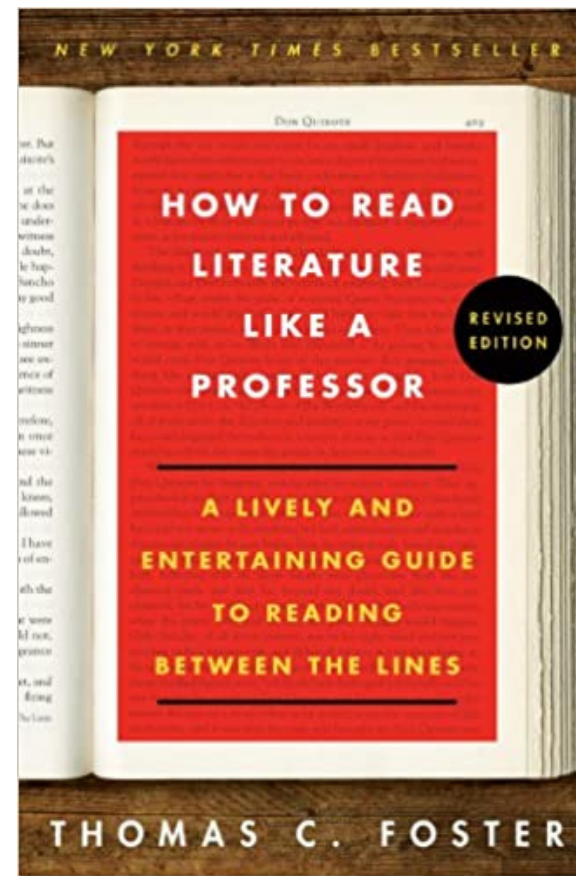
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Summer Reading Assignments

You will type your responses using a word processor (Microsoft Word, Google Docs, etc.) and submit to Microsoft Teams during the first weeks of school.



Read [American Born Chinese](#) by Gene Luen Yang.



Read excerpts from [How to Read Literature Like a Professor](#) by Thomas C. Foster and complete tasks.



Read and reply to Mr. Stewart's Welcome Letter.

Required Community Service

Students will be required to earn 2.5 hours of community service each quarter of the academic school year (10 hours/year).

Students earning hours outside of a MDHS-organized event must provide documentation, which must be on the company's/organization's letterhead with an official signature and contact information.

Academic Review

Medical District High School's primary focus is to ensure that each student is academically successful.

An academic review will take place when:

- Grade of 75 or below in high school courses
- Earns a "D" or lower grade(s) in college courses
- GPA of 2.5 or below (SCS and SWTCC)
- School attendance rate (including tardies) is less than 95% (SCS)
- School attendance is not followed for SWTCC's policy
- Discipline issues (SCS)
- Any behavior that is unacceptable to SWTCC

Academic Review, cont.

A student is placed on academic probation if...

- (1) the grade point average falls below 2.5 (based on a 4.0 grading scale) for one full term
and/or
- (2) the student fails one or more subjects for the term.

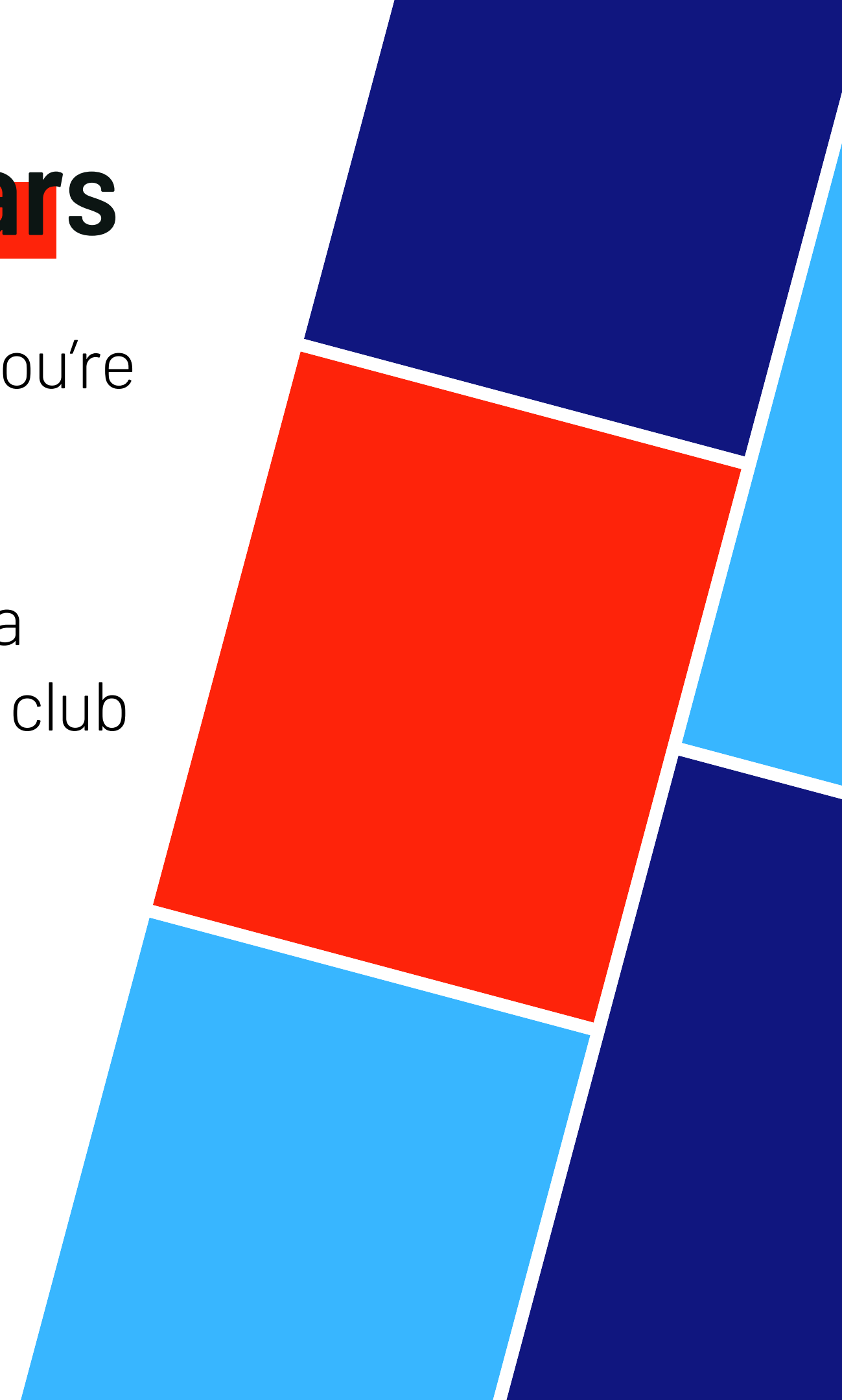
Academic probation is for one full term. The student will be given an opportunity to improve their grade by meeting with the guidance counselor (Mrs. Sweezer) to develop their personalized Academic Intervention Plan.

Failure to meet these conditions will result in a transfer to the student's zoned school.

Student Clubs & Extracurriculars

You have to tell us which clubs and extracurriculars you're interested in starting!

Once you have an idea for a club/extracurricular and a group of students excited to join, you will complete a club proposal form, which must be approved by Mrs. Ivy.



Sports



There will be a co-op with Manassas High School, which is about 3 miles north of our campus.

You will receive more information about this at a later date.

Enrollment Contract

Medical District High School is committed to academic excellence. The board, faculty, staff, parents, and students are also committed to our mission to prepare each student for success in college, a career, and life through a challenging curriculum in a student-centered environment.

All students and parents must read, agree, and sign the MDHS Enrollment Contract prior to the first day of school, which you will receive at a later date.

How can parents get involved?

- 1 Communicate regularly with your child's teacher.
- 2 Check your child's planner/homework folder daily.
- 3 Join a parent organization such as PTA (TBD).
- 4 Attend school events.
- 5 Volunteer on campus.

QUESTIONS?

Please raise your hand on Teams and we will call on you to unmute yourself.

Contact Information

School Website:

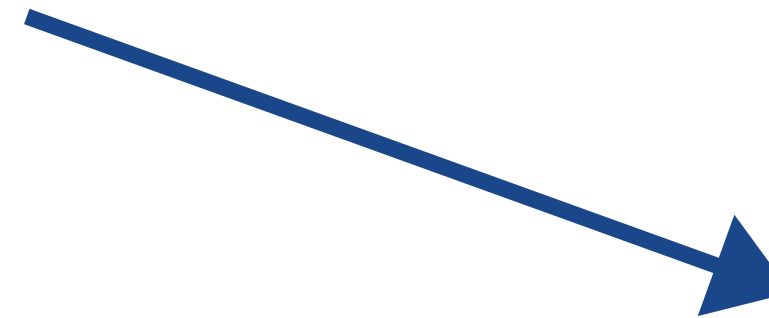
<https://schools.scsk12.org/MemphisMDHS>

School Phone Number:

901-416-9698



@MemphisMDHS



School Counselor Contact Information

Mrs. Sweezer

Email: sweezerjn@scsk12.org

Phone Number: 901-401-2603



text @mdhsgu to 81010 to join the group text

Scan the QR code on the right to reference

Mrs. Sweezer's important links throughout the school year!



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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US &

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU

AUGUST 9TH!

GREAT ON PURPOSE