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# MOUNT VERNON HIGH SCHOOL

2020-2021  
SCHOOL PROFILE  
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## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Freshmen	109
Sophomores	118
Juniors	97
Seniors	<u>112</u>
Total Enrollment	436

## SCHEDULES

Currently, Mount Vernon High School utilizes an A/B Hybrid schedule. Students attend every other day for a traditional 49 minute, 7 period day. An additional Early Bird (EB) period is also used by some students. On "off days", students learn remotely from home. Regular classes run from 8:15 a.m. through 3:15 p.m.

## COURSES

Mount Vernon High School offers a comprehensive curriculum that includes 109 course offerings including several AP courses plus dual-credit offerings available through several area colleges.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

0.5 credit is awarded each semester for the successful completion of a class that meets daily. The following courses are required for graduation:

<i>English</i>	4 credits (English I, II, 1 composition, 1 literature, 1 communication course required)
<i>Mathematics</i>	3 credits
<i>Science</i>	3 credits (Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry 1, Physics 1 required)
<i>Social Studies</i>	3 credits (US History, World History, Political Science and Behavioral Science required)
<i>Vocational</i>	A minimum of 1 credit from any of the following: Fine Arts, Music, Family/Consumer Science, Industrial Technology, and Business Ed (Financial Literacy required)
<i>Physical Ed.</i>	Students must enroll in Physical Ed. at least one semester each academic year.

*Total credits required to graduate:*

Class of 2021: 26.0 credits

## CO-CURRICULAR

MVHS offers students a wide array of extra- and co-curricular activities in the arts, athletics, drama, and vocational areas.

## GRADING

Semester grading is done on a typical 4-point scale with no weighted grades (A=4.0, B=3.0, C=2.0, etc.). Cumulative GPA is updated at the end of each semester.

## ACCELERATED PROGRAMS

Students may choose from regular, advanced, honors, and AP courses. In general, honors and AP classes will prepare students to take optional Advanced Placement exams that are made available each spring. Online courses are available on a limited basis. Students with appropriate course background and qualifying test scores may take college credit classes at nearby colleges such as Kirkwood Community College, the University of Iowa, Coe College, and Cornell College. College-credit classes allow Mount Vernon students to earn both high school and college credits.

## GRADUATE TRENDS

Approximately 60-70% of recent graduates have attended a 4-year college immediately following graduation.

Approximately 20-30% of recent graduates have attended a 2-year community college/specialized school immediately following graduation.

<u>Class of 2020:</u>	Number of graduates	108
	Attend a 4-year college	62%
	Attend a 2-year college	25%
	Median GPA	3.38
	Mean GPA	3.26
	Mean ACT Composite	22.41

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Mount Vernon High School offers 4 levels of both Spanish and German.

## COUNSELING SERVICES

Mount Vernon High School has a full-time professional school counselor to address the personal-social, academic planning, post-secondary, and career needs of our students. Contact the school counselor at ext. 4119.

