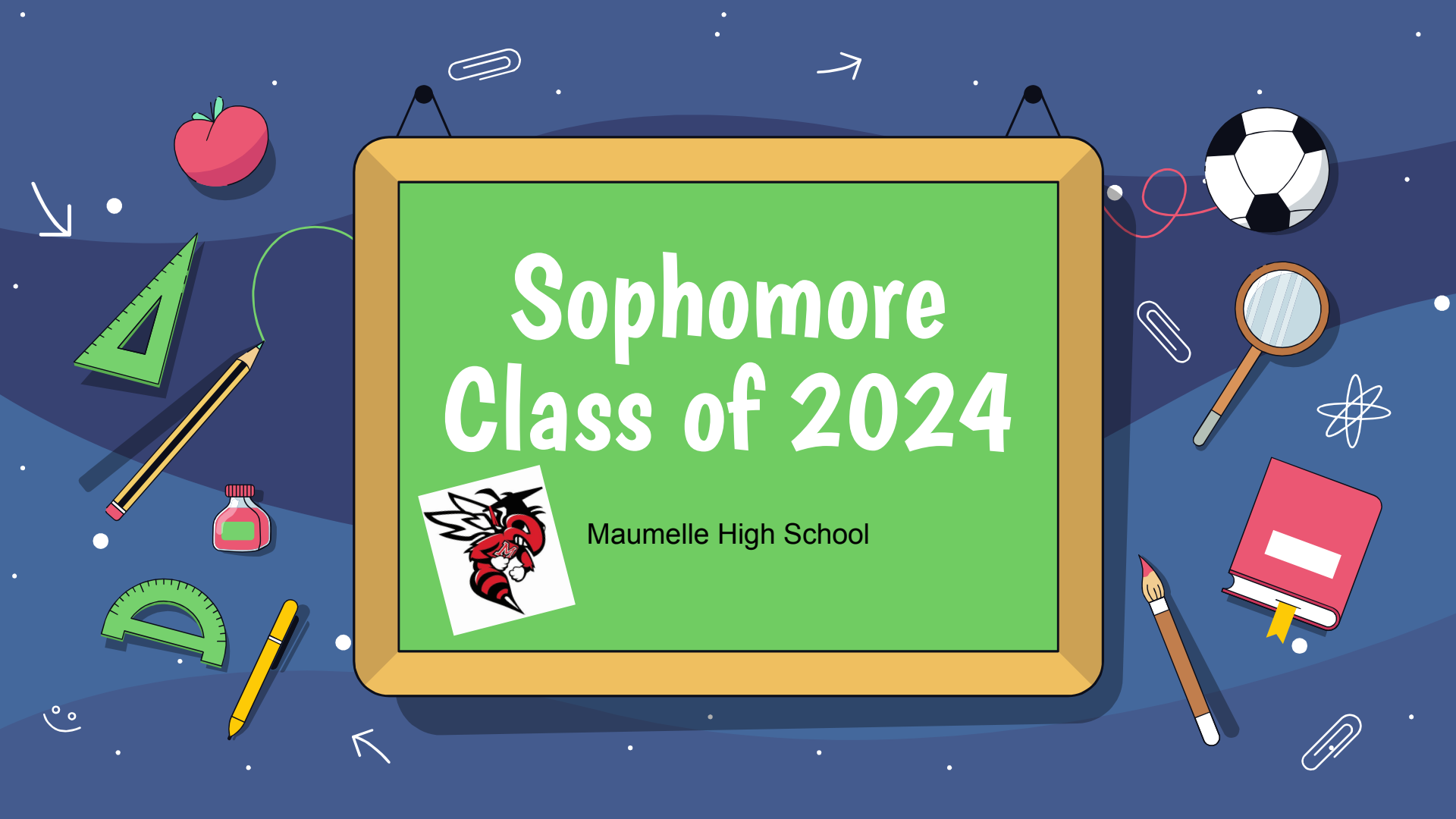


Sophomore Class of 2024



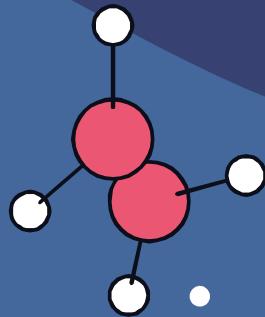
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Agenda

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- **Common Issues and Point of Contact (Important Names)**
- **Grading Information**
- **Promotion & Graduation Requirements (Smart Core)**
- **Attendance**
- **Communication**
- **NCAA**
- **Useful Information (Checklist)**

~Please pay attention to the hyperlinks throughout the powerpoint. You can click on those and access the information shared~



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Freshman

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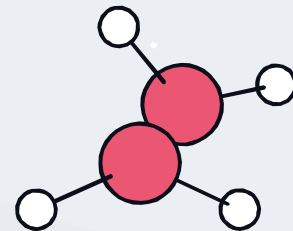
Sophomore

11

Junior

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Senior



Who's my counselor?

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Last names
H-Q

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Last names
A-G

Mrs. A. Owens-Horton
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Last names
R-Z

Ms. K. Williams
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MHS Guidance Department

What we offer:

- Individual/Group Counseling
- Post-graduate and College Planning
- Career Exploration and Evaluation
- Crisis Intervention
- Academic Advising
- Social/Emotional Support
- Parent Information
- Student Scheduling & Course Selections

~Please check your email daily~

Mrs. Osborne-Counselor Secretary

Phone: 234-2515

Email: dosborne@pcssd.org

Who should I contact for...

Grades or Attendance: The teacher for that class.

Chromebooks: The librarian, Mr. Davis cdavis7175@pcssd.org

Transcripts & other official records: The registrar, Mrs. Howard
jhoward@pcssd.org

Attendance: The attendance clerk, Mrs. Simpson
vsimpson9552@pcssd.org

Testing: The testing coordinator, Mrs. Deneke
sdeneke7459@pcssd.org

Concerns with a teacher: 1st point of contact: Teacher
Administrative Team

Mr. Young-Principal jyoung@pcssd.org

Mr. Hopson-Asst. Principal thopson@pcssd.org

Mr. Ingram-Asst. Principal tingram4998@pcssd.org

Mrs. Isaac-Asst. Principal lisaac1304@pcssd.org



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Grading Information



Grading and Report Card Information

- 60 (D) is a passing grade.
- Students can earn 7 (3.5) per semester credits in one year
- 2 semesters per year
- Most colleges require at least a 2.5 GPA for admission
- Most scholarships require at least a 3.0 GPA
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 to be an Honor Graduate
- Semester grades are permanent (unless you retake) and will remain on your student transcript.
- Report Card dates:
 - 1st 9 weeks..... Friday, October 22, 2021
 - *2nd 9 weeks.....Friday, January 14, 2022
 - 3rd 9 weeks..... Friday, March 31, 2022
 - *4th 9 weeks..... Friday, June 3, 2022 (report cards will be mailed, along with summer school information).

*Please note: These report card will have semester grades along with credits earned.



Semester Grade Calculation

1st 9 weeks Grades	2nd 9 weeks Grade	Semester Exam	Semester Grade
$60 \times 2 = 120$	$80 \times 2 = 160$	65	$345/5 = 69$ (D)

A = 4 points

B = 3 points

C = 2 points

D = 1 point

F = 0

GPA Calculation

1. Convert every letter grade to its respective points (A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0)
2. Add up all the grade points
3. Divide the added grade points (step 2) by the number of class credits taken.

*AP classes are WEIGHTED. An additional point is added to every A,B,C,D as long as the student takes the AP Exam at the end of the course.



Promotion Requirements

- 5.5 Credits..... 10th Grade
- 11 Credits..... 11th Grade
- 16.5 Credits....12th Grade

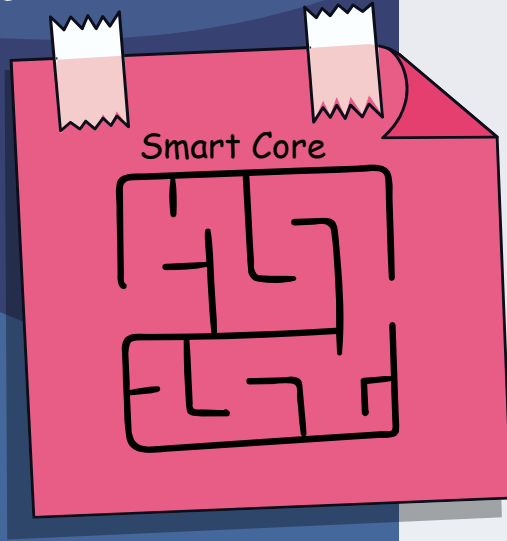
~Please note that a student is classified based on the number of credits earned as of the 1st day of the new school year.

Graduation Requirements

22 Total Credits needed

- 4 years of English
- 4 years of Math
- 3 years of Science
- 3 years of Social Studies
- .5 P.E.
- .5 Oral Com
- .5 Health
- .5 Fine Arts
- 6 Career Focus (Elective classes)
- Additional Requirements:
 - Digital Learning
 - [Arkansas Civics Exam](#)-must pass
 - Personal Finance- Econ or Personal Finance

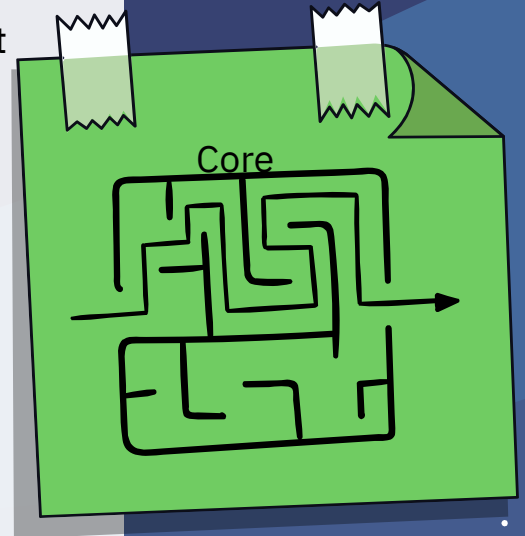
Smart Core Vs. Core



- The main differences in the smart core and core
 - Algebra A & B can be taken instead of Algebra I
 - Bridge to Algebra II (2021-2022 will be the last year schools may use Bridge to Algebra 2.)



- [Smart Core Information Sheet](#)
- [Smart core waiver](#)





Smart Core

**Smart Core students must take a math
greater than Algebra II.**

[Smart Core Information](#)

[Smart Core Waiver](#)

Computer Science

**Computer Science classes count as flex credit
for a 3rd Science or 4th Math credit.**

[Computer Science](#)

[Flex Credit](#)

Attendance



Attendance Clerk: Mrs. Simpson Phone: 234-2520 Email: vsimpson9552@pcssd.org

- Parents can notify Mrs. Simpson for absences. A written document needs to be sent or emailed to Mrs. Simpson within 3 days of the absence.
- Absences will be coded as unexcused until written documentation is received.
- Examples of Excused absences (Per District Policy)
 - Medical documentation of illness, appointments, etc. from doctor's office
 - Court documents
 - Funeral
 - School sponsored activities
 - Religious holiday
 - College visits
- A parent/guardian is allowed to send six (6) parent notes per semester
- Steps in attendance process:
 - Step 1: 5 unexcused absences in any one class: Letter from school notifying parents
 - Step 2: 10 unexcused absences in 4 or more classes: Reported for truancy and DHS, along with possible loss of credit in those classes

Communication

Best resource-your student's teacher.
Please email your teachers with concerns regarding grades, and assignments.

MHS Staff page

Home Access Center (HAC)-great way to monitor your student's attendance. You can view report cards and transcripts as well. If you need your access code, please email jhoward@pcssd.org

Schoology-great way to monitor you student's academic progress. If you need your parent code, please contact your student advisory teacher.

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NCAA

- It's the responsibility of the parents and/or students to register through the [NCAA eligibility center](#) to ensure they meet all requirements. Students should register before your 10th grade year.
- Please let your counselor know if you plan to participate in athletics at the college level so they can help advise course selection and graduation track.
- Send your transcript to the NCAA eligibility center at the end of your 10th grade year.
- For DI and DII schools
 - 16 core courses by the end of their senior year. Students will typically take 14 core courses to meet graduation requirements. Most students will make up the 2 remaining by taking 2 years of foreign language or taking more science or social studies credits.
 - Students will need to have a CORE GPA of 2.3 or higher with a qualifying ACT or SAT score.
 - Student will need to be registered through the NCAA portal.





Sophomore year Checklist

- Take the ACT. It's recommended that you at least take the ACT in the Spring of your sophomore year. Consider this as a practice test to help familiarize yourself with the testing environment and identify your weak areas.
 - Think about possible careers that interest you. Talk with your counselor, parents or other trusted adults about career options.
 - Begin researching colleges and their programs of study that fit your interests.
 - Have a conversation with your parents regarding how you will pay for college.
 - Playing Sports in College? Visit NCAA website and become familiar with eligibility requirements.
 - Get involved in your school ([Sports & Clubs](#)) and your community. Begin keeping a list of your awards, honors, activities, and both volunteer and paid work. You will need all of this information for college and scholarship applications.
 - STUDY, STUDY, and STUDY some more!!! This is the time to raise your GPA. Your grades will have a big impact on the amount of scholarship money you receive.
 - Start thinking about your future... What do you want to do after high school? Whether you are thinking about college, a training/certificate program, joining the military, or joining the workforce...Just have a plan!
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FYI: Useful links for the future

[ACT](#)

[SAT](#)

[AWC](#)

[Scholarship](#)

[AR Academic Challenge
Scholarship](#)

[AR Governor's
Scholars](#)

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[Full list and requirements Link](#)

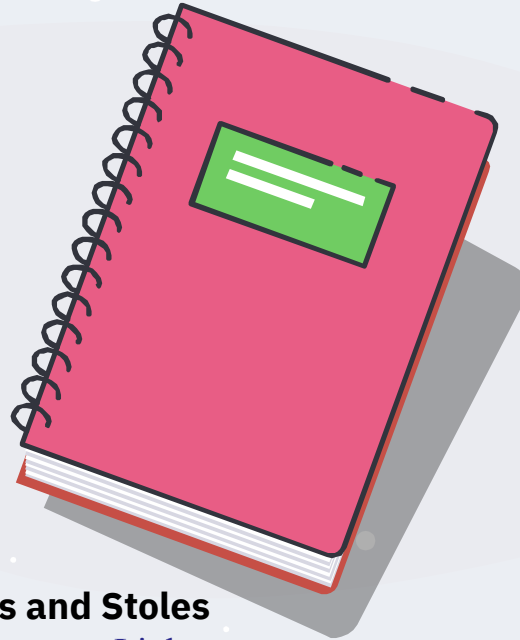
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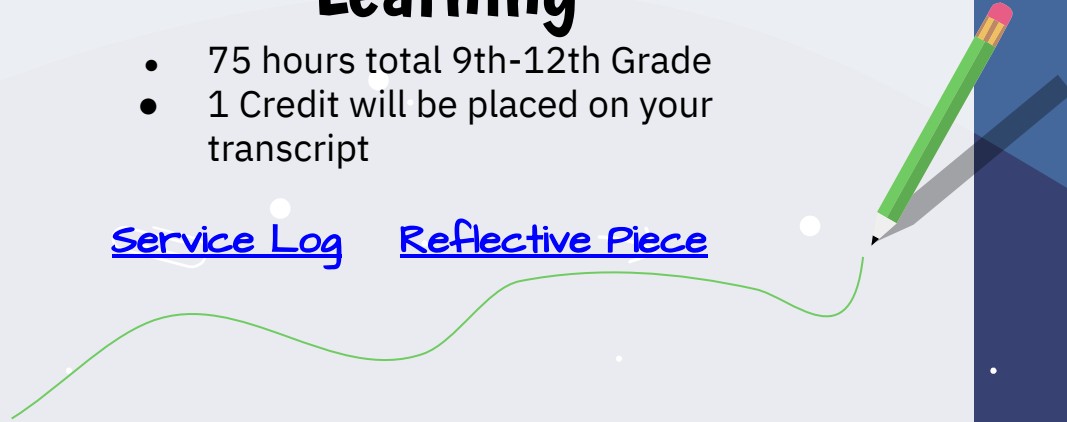


Community Service Learning

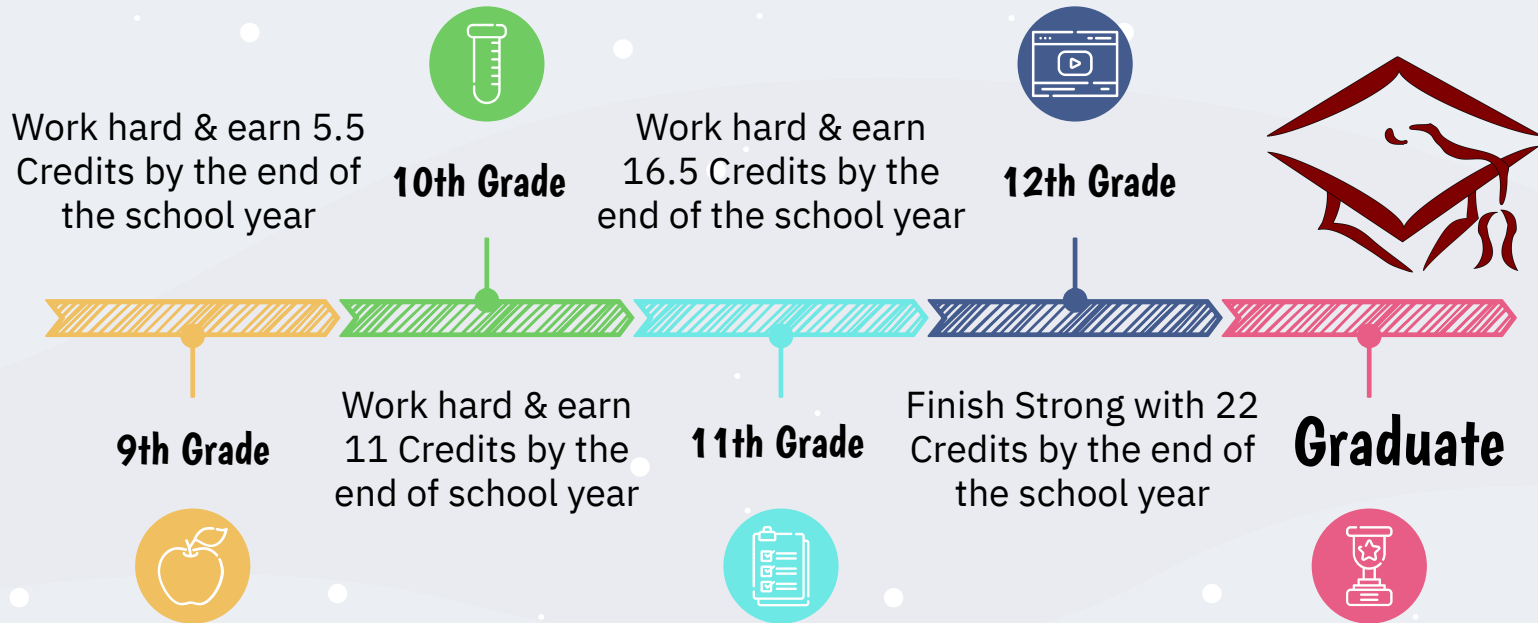
- 75 hours total 9th-12th Grade
- 1 Credit will be placed on your transcript

[Service Log](#)

[Reflective Piece](#)



Process to Graduate on time...



Dates to Remember

- October 13: End of 1st Quarter
- October 18: No School, Professional Development
- November 22-26: Fall Break
- December 20: End of 2nd Quarter
- December 21- January 3: Winter Break
- January 4: No School, Professional Development
- January 17: No School, Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday
- February 9: No School, Parent Conferences
- March 14: End of 3rd Quarter
- March 21-25: Spring Break
- April 15: No School, Good Friday

PCSSD School Calendar

Questions?

Email your counselor...

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