

MHS Freshman Registration Notes 2025-2026 (From 8th to 9th grade)

PURPLE registration forms signed by a parent/guardian are due by 2/14/25 to your Career Quest teacher. You will register during Career Quest on 2/21/25 with assistance of the high school counseling team. Students who are absent that day should talk with your Career Quest teacher to arrange an alternative time to enter courses.

The course catalog is available online on the Marshfield High School webpage on the left-hand side under the Student Registration tab. "Marshfield High School Course Catalog".

I. Pre-Registration Steps

- A. Review your 4-Year Plan in Xello or on the form created in Career Quest.
- B. Review teacher recommendations in the student Skyward account.
- C. Review the course catalog for graduation requirements, course descriptions, sequencing information, prerequisites and course fees.
- D. Discuss choices with parents, counselor, teachers, and siblings.
- E. Review information from the VIRTUAL Tiger Course Hunt on the high school webpage.
- F. Return completed purple Course Planning Guide with parent signature by **February 14th** to your Career Quest Teacher.

II. Completing the Purple Course Planning Guide

- A. To make course selections, darken the boxes behind the course number.
- B. Choose one required course at the top of the form from mathematics, science, social science, English and physical education.
- C. Please make sure to list a **minimum** of three alternative classes that you truly have interest in taking. We very often have to pull a class from your alternates list.
- D. Count your credits carefully; you **must** sign up for a minimum of 6.5 and a maximum of 8 credits, not including summer school. Seven credits will give you one study hall each semester.
- E. Parent/guardian **must** sign purple sheet.
- F. Summer School registration will occur on February 20th at 12:45pm through your student Skyward portal. (More information on summer school is offered below.) If you are taking any summer school classes, you should write them into the summer school box on your purple sheet. They do NOT count toward your credits during the school year.

III. Things to Remember

- A. Foundations level courses may only be taken with a teacher's recommendation. Students should only select AP courses if they were recommended to do so by a teacher.
- B. You need at least three credits of math to graduate. Students planning to attend post-secondary education should plan to take four credits of math before graduation.
- C. You need at least three credits of science to graduate. Certain agriculture classes (with "ES" in the title) can be used for **one** equivalent science credit. College prep recommendations would include biology, chemistry and possibly physics.
- D. If you are planning to attend a four-year university, it is recommended that you take at least two years of the same foreign language. It is recommended that any student taking a world language in 9th grade have a consistent grade of at least a "C" in 8th grade English.

Some students who took level 1 of a foreign language in middle school choose to AUDIT the course in high school to be sure they have a solid foundation before moving up. Auditing a course means that you do not earn credit for it again but can earn a higher grade to replace your previous grade.

- E. Read the reasons for schedule changes and procedures for teacher/level change carefully in the course catalog.
- F. Any student enrolled in an AP or Honors course is committed to that course for a minimum of one quarter (9 weeks). Level changes are only available at the quarter mark.
- G. Many elective courses require that you pay a fee to cover your course materials. These fees are listed under the course descriptions in the course catalog.

IV. Summer School Registration Process

- A. The online summer school registration link will open on Tuesday, February 18th. ***Class of 2029 students will not be able to register until 12:45pm on Thursday Feb 20th.*** Summer school classes will fill on a first come, first served basis. A waiting list for full classes will be kept in the main office with Tammy Guden 715-387-8464 ext. 4602. Please contact Mrs. Guden to be put on the waitlist.
- B. Summer school classes begin June 16th and conclude July 25th
- C. You may only miss five days of summer school, with no exceptions. (You will be dropped after your 6th day of absence and required courses will be added to your fall schedule.)
- D. Students may only earn 1 credit each summer (Students may only sign up for a maximum of two summer school classes.)
- E. Available courses for freshmen that earn high school credit: Computer Applications (H), Fit for Life, Strength and Conditioning (elective credit earned after three summers), and Healthy Choices. Note that some courses may not run if there is not enough student interest.
- F. Classes available for no credit: Tigers on the Prowl, Band and Orchestra

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