



# RISING 9TH GRADE ORIENTATION MARCH 2021



# HELLO! – INTRODUCTIONS

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# ENGLISH = 4 CREDITS

- English 9 (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- English 10 (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- English 11 (Regular, CP, or AP) = 1 credit
- English 12 (Regular, CP, or Dual) = 1 credit



# MATH = 4 CREDITS

- Algebra 1A & 1B (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Geometry (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Algebra 2A & 2B (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Upper level math = 1 credit
  - ◆ Pre-Calculus
  - ◆ Calculus
  - ◆ Statistics
  - ◆ Bridge Math



# SCIENCE = 4 CREDITS

- Freshmen Science = 1 credit
  - ◆ Earth & Space Science
  - ◆ Honors Earth & Space Science
  - ◆ Agriscience
- Biology (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Chemistry or Physics (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit





# SOCIAL STUDIES = 3 CREDITS

- World History or AP Human Geography = 1 credit
  - ◆ World is State Dual Credit
- U.S. History (Regular or Dual) = 1 credit
- Government & Economics = 1 credit
  - ◆ Must pass the civics exam to graduate



# WELLNESS, PE, & PF

- Wellness = 1 credit
  - ◆ Everyone will take Wellness freshmen year
- Physical Education =  $\frac{1}{2}$  credit
- Personal Finance =  $\frac{1}{2}$  credit
  - ◆ Everyone will take PE/PF during their sophomore year



# FINE ARTS & FOREIGN LANGUAGE = 3 CREDITS

→ Fine Art = 1 credit

- ◆ Visual Art
- ◆ Drama
- ◆ Band
- ◆ Chorus

→ Foreign Language = 2 credits

- ◆ French 1 & 2
- ◆ Latin 1 & 2
- ◆ Online Niswonger





# SKINNY PERIOD

- 45 minutes per day
- Year-long class
- RTI may be the required class based on AimsWeb testing at JCMS



# FOCUS PROGRAM OF STUDY

## 3 CREDITS

Students completing a focus of study must complete 3 credits in one of the following areas:

- ★ CTE
- ★ Fine Arts
- ★ AP
- ★ Dual
- ★ Math & Science (above the required courses)



# CTE PROGRAM OF STUDY

**Students must complete 3 credits  
in the same “Program of Study” area:**

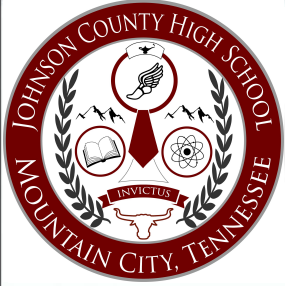
- ★ Agriculture Science
- ★ Automotive Technology
- ★ Business/Computer Technology
- ★ Culinary Arts
- ★ Construction Technology
- ★ Health Science
- ★ Criminal Justice



# EPSO

Early postsecondary opportunities (EPSOs) include a course and/or exam that give students a chance to obtain postsecondary credit while still in high school.





# AP & DUAL ENROLLMENT

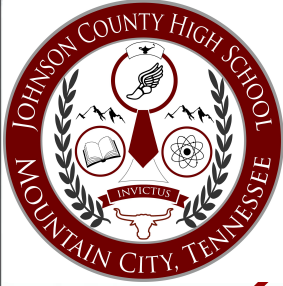
- AP Human Geography = 9th grade
- AP World History = 10th grade or higher
- AP Language = 11th grade
- Dual US History = 11th grade
- AP/Dual Literature = 12th grade
- Dual Statistics = 12th grade
- Dual Medical Terminology = 11th or 12th grade





# SIX YEAR PLANS

- Counselors will meet with students to develop a six-year plan for each rising freshmen
- This plan includes the following:
  - ◆ Course sequence for all 4 years of high school
  - ◆ Recommended electives
  - ◆ We promise to use a pencil!!!



# EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS

• The courses for these students will be based on the meeting that takes place with each individual case manager/advisor.



# JCHS DIPLOMA

The Johnson County Board of Education requires a minimum of **28** credits to graduate with a Johnson County High School Diploma

Students must also take the ACT

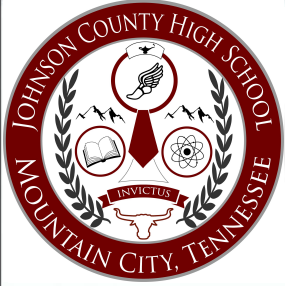
- \*Work Ethic Diploma
- \*Community Service Diploma





# "MOVE ON"

- We use an intervention course for all failures
- PLATO web-based curriculum (very hard)
- 70 is the highest score you can obtain
- Final grade of 50 or below will be making up courses in a "sit-down" class



# TESTING

The following courses will have End of Course (EOC) exams which will make up 25% of the overall grade for the 2019 - 2020 school year:

- ★ English 9, English 10
- ★ Biology
- ★ Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry
- ★ US History





# ASVAB TEST

- ★ Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test
- ★ Taken during the Fall of Junior year
- ★ [www.march2success.com](http://www.march2success.com) for preparation



# ACT<sup>®</sup>

- 11th grade ACT during school
- Spring
- **Requirement to graduate**
  
- ACT Prep class = juniors
- After school tutoring
- [actstudent.org](https://actstudent.org)



# PRESIDENTIAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD



- Criteria for JCHS Seniors
- ◆ Must score 29 ACT reading -or- 27 ACT math
  - ◆ GPA of 3.5 or higher
  - ◆ Complete a rigorous curriculum
  - ◆ Must NOT have had any of the following disciplinary actions: ESC, Out-of-school suspension, and/or Court Appearances



# VALEDICTORIAN

\*There will only be one valedictorian that will be declared based on:

1. Highest GPA in the graduating class
2. Highest ACT composite score



# BLOCK SCHEDULING

- ➔ Students take 4 classes each semester for a total of 8 classes per year in the block
  - ◆ Semester 1 = August - December
  - ◆ Semester 2 = January - May
- ➔ Block classes are 85 minutes each
- ➔ Skinny period is 45 minutes year long
  - ◆ **Total of 9 classes for the school year**





# BELL SCHEDULE

**1st** = 8:10 am - 9:40 am (90 minutes)

**2nd** = 9:45 am - 11:10 am (85 minutes)

**3rd** = 11:10 am - 12:55 pm (105 minutes)

*1st lunch* = 11:10 am - 11:35 am

*2nd lunch* = 11:35 am - 12:00 pm

*3rd lunch* = 12:00 pm - 12:25 pm

**4th** = 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm (45 minutes)

**5th** = 1:50 pm - 3:15 pm (85 minutes)



# SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Period	1st Semester	2nd Semester
1st	Elective	Earth & Space Science
2nd	Algebra 1A	Algebra 1B
3rd	English	Lifetime Wellness
4th	-----Skinny Class Period -----	
5th	World History	Elective



# ATTENDANCE

- Students can miss 4 days in each class (excused or unexcused)
- Upon missing their 5th day, they must make up their time in order to pass the class
- They can do this by staying after school, coming in before school, or attending Saturday School
- There are NO exceptions to this policy, and students need to make up their time as soon as they miss the class



# TARDY POLICY (PER SEMESTER)

- 1st tardy = warning
- 2nd tardy = call home
- 3rd tardy or more = lunch detention for every tardy or early dismissal
- 6th tardy = full day ISS

**\*\*Each teacher has their own late to class policy\*\***





# GRADING SCALE

**A = 93 - 100**

**B = 85 - 92**

**C = 75 - 84**

**D = 70 - 74**

**F = 0 - 69**

**I = INCOMPLETE**

**\*3 points are added to honor classes**

**\*\*4 points are added to dual classes**

**\*\*\*5 points are added to AP courses**





# GRADE CLARIFICATION

For promotion to the next grade level:

Sophomore.....6 credits

Junior.....12 credits

Senior.....20 credits

Graduate.....28 credits



# TN LOTTERY SCHOLARSHIP & TN PROMISE

- To qualify for the TN Lottery (HOPE) scholarship:
  - ◆ 3.0 GPA -or- 21 ACT composite
  - ◆ Complete FAFSA
- Tennessee Promise = all students are eligible
  - ◆ Sign up & attend meetings
  - ◆ Complete FAFSA
  - ◆ 8 hours community service



# REGISTRATION MEETINGS

- Be thinking about your electives and your focus.
- Report to JCHS on Monday, March 29
- You will be escorted over by JCHS Student Council members.



# FRESHMEN KICK OFF

TO BE DETERMINED

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

**\*STUDENTS ONLY\***



# TOURS BY LAST NAME

Begin in CTE

A B

E F

I J

M N

Q R

U V

Begin in Main Building

C D

G H

K L

O P

S T

W X Y Z

**THANK YOU!**

**YOU ARE FREE TO LEAVE ONCE YOUR TOUR IS COMPLETE.**

