



MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL  
 MCKINNEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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*Rich in Legacy ... focused on the future*

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 HIGH SCHOOL CEEB CODE: 444-630

### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Located just 30 miles north of downtown Dallas, McKinney is a picturesque city with a small-town feel. However, McKinney has a population approaching 209,000 and is one of the fastest-growing cities in the U.S. Accredited by the Texas Education Agency and the Southern Association for Colleges and Schools, McKinney High School is the original of 3 public high schools in McKinney and serves approximately 3000 students in grades 9-12. The MHS student population is diverse: 1% American Indian or Alaska Native; 5% Asian or Pacific Islander; 17% Black/African American, 32% Hispanic; 41% Caucasian; and 4% identifying as two or more races. The student population is also growing in economic diversity, with 49% of students now qualifying for a federal lunch program.

### ACADEMICS

The school year is divided into two semesters, each consisting of two 9-week periods. Each academic day is comprised of seven 50-minute class periods. MHS offers a variety of courses, detailed in the MISD Academic Planning Guide: <https://t.ly/OUMs>

#### Level II Courses (5.0 weight)

English I/II, Biology I, Chemistry I, Anatomy and Physiology, Geometry, Algebra I/II, Precalculus, French II/III, Latin II/III, German II/III, Spanish II/III, ASL II/III, Computer Science I/III/IV, Principles of Engineering, Digital Electronics, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Engineering Design and Development, Independent Study and Mentorship I/II, Art I/II

#### Level III Course (6.0 weight)

English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics I, Physics II, Physics C, Environmental Science, Human Geography, World History, US History, US Government, Macroeconomics, European History, Art History, Psychology, Spanish Language, Spanish Literature, German Language, French Language, Latin/Virgil, Computer Science, Computer Science Principals, Studio Art, Art 2D Design, Art 3D Design,

#### Dual Credit Courses (5.0 weight)

English Composition/Rhetoric, World Literature, College Algebra, Business Calculus, Elementary Statistics, Earth and Space Science, US History, Macroeconomics, American Government, Advertising and Sales, Art Appreciation, Business Communication, Practicum in Health Sciences (EMT/Central Sterile Processing/Fire Science), Medical Terminology, Information Technology, Aviation Systems, Aircraft Systems for Pilots, Flight Science, Power Plant Systems, Flight Operation, Primary Flight.

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### MCKINNEY ISD GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Subject	Foundation Plan (w/Endorsement)	Distinguished Plan (w/Endorsement)
English	4.0	4.0
Mathematics	4.0	4.0 (Alg II required)
Science	4.0	4.0
Social Studies	4.0	4.0
Second Language	2.0	2.0
Fine Arts	1.0	1.0
Physical Education	1.0	1.0
Health	.5	.5
Communications	.5	.5
Electives	5.0	5.0
	26 (including endorsement)	26 (Including endorsement)

**\*Students must complete the Distinguished Plan to be ranked in the top 10% of the graduating class**

### GRADE SCALE

McKinney ISD awards grade points on a weighted 4.0 scale. A student's GPA is determined by the total number of grade points earned divided by the number of courses for which grades are recorded on the Academic Achievement Record (AAR). Each 18-week semester consists of two 9-week grade reporting periods. Credit is awarded at the end of each Semester. Credit is awarded for grades of 70 or better.

### GRADE POINTS AWARDED

Grade	AP	PreAP/DC	Academic
100 - 90	6.0 - 5.0	5.0 - 4.0	4.0 - 3.0
89 - 80	4.9 - 4.0	3.9 - 3.0	2.9 - 2.0
70 - 70	3.9 - 3.0	2.9 - 2.0	1.9 - 1.0

**Class of 2021 Highest GPA = 5.25 (as of June, 2020)**

### McKinney High School TEST RESULTS

#### 2018-2019 SAT Performance

283 Tested	MHS	Texas	National
Critical Reading	512	466	498
Math	518	478	508
Writing	484	449	482

#### 2018-2019 ACT Performance

232 Tested	MHS	Texas	National
English	21.4	19.4	20.5
Math	22.6	19.4	20.6
Reading	22.8	21.0	21.3
Science	22.4	20.7	20.8
Composite	22.4	20.6	20.8

#### Advanced Placement Performance

MISD has an "open enrollment" policy for Advanced Placement courses. All students enrolled in an AP course are required to sit for the AP exam in May. In 2019, 1052 students sat for 2,453 AP exams.

# of Exams	1's	2's	3's	4's	5's
2453	441	629	579	481	323

#### Post-Secondary Plans (Class of 2020)

46% 4-year college/university  
 41% 2-year college  
 8% Work force or volunteer program  
 5% Armed Services

#### Counselors:

Pamala Adams	Melissa Howard
Susan Bell	Gretchen Madison
Jeff Cranmore	Angela Wylie
Andy Crawford	

Lead Counselor: Pamala Adams

MEF College Counselor: Brandi Ribble

IMPACT/Crisis Counselors: Jill Lueke, Lori Mitchell

504/SSD Coordinator: Casi Homer

Special Education Lead: Judith Laseak

## MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

Students in grades 9-12 compete in 22 interscholastic sports, including: Baseball, Men's and Women's Basketball, Men's and Women's Cross Country, Men's and Women's Diving, Football, Men's and Women's Golf, Men's and Women's Soccer, Softball, Men's and Women's Swimming, Men's and Women's Tennis, Men's and Women's Track, Volleyball, and Men's and Women's Wrestling.

The visual and performing arts have long been a priority in McKinney ISD. When other districts were cutting funding to their arts programs, McKinney ISD was finding ways to contribute even more funds to these valuable areas of education. MHS Band, Choir, Orchestra, Dance, Theatre and Visual Art students are regularly recognized at local, state and national levels of competition.

In addition to strong co-curricular programs, MHS students participate in a wide variety of extracurricular clubs and organizations. These activities allow students to become involved in specific areas of interest and to apply what they are learning in the classroom. Extracurricular programs help develop well-rounded students, improve self-esteem, and build self-discipline. The skills learned through participation in extracurricular activities serve students well as they move into postsecondary education and career pursuits.

## MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL Established 1877

Confidence born of history  
Courage born of change



Clarity of purpose  
Born of consistency

“Rich in Legacy ... Focused on the Future“

### OUR PRIDE

**FACULTY:** MHS prides itself on its diverse 243-member faculty. Staff members send their own children here. Our alumni return to teach here. Fourteen of our current faculty members are MHS alumni.

**TRADITIONS:** The MHS motto, “Rich in Legacy... Focused on the Future” reflects both its 143 years of tradition as well as its eye toward innovation and traditions yet-to-come.

**STUDENTS:** Our student body is the heart of our Lion Nation. We are proud of our diversity and our opportunities.

### INFORMATION REGARDING COVID-19

McKinney Independent School District campuses closed in March of 2020. Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020 and closed schools for in-person instruction. On March 31, the Governor issued an executive order extending the school closure through May 4, and on April 17, he issued another executive order extending the closure for the remainder of the school year. STAAR EOC testing requirements for the 2019-2020 school year were waived by the Governor on March 16, 2020.

In the McKinney Independent School District, students completed the final quarter of the 2019-2020 school year in an asynchronous virtual setting. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter had ended and grades had been reported just before the school closure. During the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, students with marks below 70, were given the opportunity to raise their 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter marks to a passing mark. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter mark was maintained as the semester average.

During the summer of 2020, McKinney ISD offered a shortened, online summer school program with limited offerings. Grades earned in online summer courses appear on the transcript, but are not calculated into GPA.

With the rapidly changing situation concerning COVID-19 in Collin and surrounding counties, McKinney ISD made the decision to begin the 2020-2021 school year in a completely virtual environment for the first three weeks of school, beginning August 13<sup>th</sup>. Virtual instruction is being offered synchronously, with students following their daily schedules and attending all classes via Zoom. On September 3<sup>rd</sup>, campuses will reopen, but families will have the option to continue to participate in synchronous online instruction.

Aside from waiving the spring 2020 STAAR EOC exams, no changes were made to graduation requirements. Schedules and course offerings for the 20-21 school year were unchanged, with the exception of students enrolled in an EMT program offered through Collin College which was canceled for the 20-21 school year. No changes have been made to McKinney ISD's academic calendar.

### MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

ASL Club; Anime Club; Aviation Club; Club 2412; College Football Club; Computer Science Club; Criminal Justice Club; DECA; Disc Golf Club; Drone Racing Club; Dungeons and Dragons Club; Engineering and Robotics Club; Environmental Club; FCCLA; FCA; Flying Lions Rocketry Club; For the People; Future Leaders of America; Future Farmers of America; French Club; German Club; Golden Girls; Headhunters; HOSA; International Cultures Club; Jesus Christ Movement; Key Club; Lacrosse Club; Latin Club; The Lost Art Literary Magazine; Mu Alpha Theta; National Art Honor Society; National Honor Society; National Spanish Honor Society; Noble Cause; Philosophy Club; Photography Club; Pride Pack Social Skills Club; Rap and Songwriting Club; Read, Feed and Help Those in Need; Sand Volleyball Club; Student Association for Equality; Spanish Club; Student Council; UIL Academics Team; Water Polo Club; Working, Helping, Achieving, Believing; Yoga Club; YD's Progressives Club

### Coordinated Health

MHS values the well-being of each student. Our initiative, *Healthy Mind-Healthy Body-Healthy Lion*, supports physical and emotional health. We are the first high school in the nation to be designated a Healthy Zone School.

### MCJROTC

In 2014, MHS launched a Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps. This leadership program prepares students to lead peers, work effectively in groups and to develop the skills needed for public service.

### 1:The World and TechnoCats

The MISD “1:TheWorld” Initiative is the deployment of MacBook Air computers to every high school student in MISD. This initiative redefined the way our students collaborate, create, and communicate. MISD TechnoCats students support the design of lessons that meet the needs of digital learners both inside and outside the 4 walls of the traditional classroom.