



E-learning at MHS 2011-12

Is this the right choice?



How Does Virtual Learning Enhance Education in MCPSAD

- Helps us improve our ability to meet the needs of individual students.
 - Early research shows blended approach yields the best results.
 - Students have access to courses and people beyond our walls.
- Our students are “digital natives.” This is the way they learn and a skill that will serve them well in the future.



What is Our Plan for Moving Forward?

- Focus on professional development
 - Moodle
 - Online Teaching and Facilitation Course
- Integration of online modules into face to face classes.
- Building infrastructure and support
- 21st Century eSchool
- Limited Enrollment of Individual Students in online classes.



Part time and Full time Options

- MHS students have access to 1-2 online courses instead of or in addition to their traditional classes.
- K-12 district students also have the option of fully enrolling online through our 21st Century E-school.



Why E-learning?

- Access to classes beyond what is offered at MHS.
- Time flexibility which may better meet the needs of individual learners.
- Ability to take more classes of interest by expanding the school day.
- Opportunity to experience an online class and build the skills necessary to be successful as a learner in this context.



What Should We Consider Before Deciding?

- Online courses tend to be as rigorous or more rigorous than traditional courses.
- Being successful in an online course will require you to manage your time and work completion without the assistance of regularly scheduled class meetings.
- As with some MHS courses, some of these courses do not meet NCAA eligibility requirements for future college athletes.



What Should We Consider Before Deciding?

- Many of these courses will not be taught by MHS teachers.
- Online courses and the grades you earn in them will be reflected on your MHS transcript.
- Schedule change requests for online classes will be handled the same as requests for face to face classes.



Course Offerings



Wisconsin E-School Network

- Asynchronous (You move at your own pace within the semester)
- Some are taught by a teacher at MHS.
- All others are taught by a teacher from a school within the network. All are Wisconsin teachers.
- www.wisconsineschool.com



Wisconsin E-School Network

- **American Government**
- **World History**
- **Global Studies**
- **American History**
- **Psychology**
- **Economics**
- **AP Microeconomics**
- **AP Macroeconomics**
- **Algebra**
- **Geometry**
- **Algebra II**
- **Pre-Calculus**
- **Spanish I, II, III**
- **Mandarin Chinese**
- **Game Design**
- **English I, II, III, IV**
- **Earth/Space Science**
- **Biology**
- **Marine Science**
- **Chemistry**
- **Physics**
- **Computer Programming Basic**
- **AP Computer Science**
- **Web Design**
- **2D Art**
- **Health**
- **Personal Fitness**
- **Fitness Lifestyle Design**



VHS

- Synchronous/cohort model
- These courses fill quickly and spaces may not be available.
- Taught by certified teacher, but not necessarily a Wisconsin teacher.
- High interest, but very rigorous.
- www.govhs.org



VHS

- AP Art History
- AP Biology
- AP Computer Science
- AP French Language
- AP Government and Politics
- AP Physics
- AP Spanish
- AP World History
- Business and Personal Law
- Meteorology
- Mythology
- Number Theory
- Portugese
- Many others



Next Steps

- Carefully consider the best decision for you.
- Registration for online classes will take place through the same system as registering for other classes for 2011-12.
- Wisconsin eSchool Network classes will be listed individually under an “online class” section.
- For VHS courses, students should select the generic “VHS online class” option and their counselor will follow up with them.



Next Steps

- o Signing up for courses does not guarantee placement as course may fill up or may not be run due to low enrollment. If a student does not get into a class, we would contact them to make an alternate selection.



Questions?????
