

The Park: Make It Your Own



Mission:

We, the students, parents, staff and community of Myers Park High School, will inspire all students to experience success.

Vision:

Myers Park High School exists to inspire in its students a passion for learning and a commitment to personal integrity and academic excellence. Students will be empowered to become self-confident, creative, socially responsible, and globally aware.

Shared Beliefs:

1. MPHS is 3D Free.
 - a. No drama.
 - b. No disruptions.
 - c. No disrespect.
2. MPHS has a sense of family.
 - a. We make large feel small.
 - b. We are about customer service.
3. All students can and will experience academic achievement.

School Information

2400 Colony Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28209

Phone: 980-343-5800
Website: <https://myersparkhighschool.wearecms.com/>

MP Events Calendar: <https://myersparkhighschool.wearecms.com/apps/events/>

CMS Calendars and A/B Calendar: <https://www.wearecms.com/apps/pages/calendars>

MPHS School Colors - Green and White

MPHS Mascot - Mustang

MPHS Facebook - Myers Park High School

MPHS Twitter - @MyersParkHS

MPHS Instagram - myersparkhighschool

Student Honor Code

Myers Park High School, embodies a spirit of **honesty** and **integrity** that is central to learning, and embodies the expression of common values among all members of the school community. In order to maintain an educational environment that respect these values, we commit to following our established honor code. The honor code is based on these **two** principles:

① **Honesty**

When you state what you know to be true and do not deceive, regardless of consequence to yourself or others. Examples of **dishonesty** are the following:

- Making a false statement with the intention is to deceive.
- Lying to administrators, staff, and faculty members
- Falsifying any school documents

② **Integrity**

When individuals act with high moral principles, cooperate with efforts to maintain high moral principles, and encourage high moral principles in others. It is also demonstrated when individuals submit their own work for tests and assignments without unapproved assistance; students do not provide unauthorized assistance to others. Examples of **lacking integrity** are:

- Communicating with other students during a test, quiz, or other classroom assignment
- Copying or allowing someone to copy in a testing situation
- Attempting to cheat
- Attempting to use another person's work without citations
- Copying of key phrases from another source
- Giving or receiving information regarding an assessment without the knowledge of a teacher

Honor Code Pledge

As a member of the Myers Park High School community, I pledge to uphold a high level of honesty and integrity by being true to myself and others at all times and submitting my own work at all times. I agree to report any infractions of the Honor Code to a member of the Honor Committee. I make this pledge to myself and my school community.

“On my honor, I will not cheat, I will not lie”

While more specifics are found in the Student Honor Code, an addition this year is the following: Missing a class on the day of a formal assignment without following either sign in or sign out procedures is at least a conduct violation of skipping. A pattern of this type of absence will be scrutinized and may be an Honor Code violation. After the THIRD Absence for a Formal Assessment, a Doctor's note is required and failure to provide one may result in zero credit for the assignment.

General Information

A. Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Character Development Handbook

Improved academic achievement and school performance are the results when students live up to established standards of conduct. These rules and sanctions have been adopted by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education and represent its official policy. School personnel will take disciplinary action against any student who violates one or more of these rules in accordance with the consequences stated in the Student Code of Conduct. The assignment of consequences for an infraction depends on the severity, intensity, duration and frequency of the incident. Disciplinary action may include but is not limited to: reprimand, after-school work, repayment for damages, clean-up, and revocation of privileges associated with school activities, after school detention, Saturday School, ISS, OSS or exclusion. Each student at Myers Park High School has access to the CMS Rights and Responsibilities Handbook through the CMS website. MPHS will thoroughly review the handbook with our students during the first ten (10) days of school.

MPHS Policies Disruption

MPHS adheres to a simple philosophy regarding student behavior. Students and teachers have a right to learn and teach. Any student who infringes on this right loses his/her privilege to be in class. Classroom disruption from rude, unruly students will not be tolerated.

Social Media and Neighborhood Drama

Any issues (including but not limited to threats, name calling, bullying, fighting, etc.) that start on social media and/or in the neighborhood which interfere with the teaching and learning process at school will be actionable by school administration.

Refusal to Comply with School Personnel

Students are expected to comply with any reasonable request of school personnel. Those who choose not to comply will suffer consequences based on administrative decision.

Dress Code

MPHS is 3D Free, including any disruptions that could be caused by dress code violations.

- Dresses, skirts, shorts, and pants must not be excessively short and/or tight.
- Underwear should not be visible.
- No see-through clothing or visible undergarments.
 - All shirts worn by any student should adequately cover the upper body including the chest, shoulders, back, midriff, and sides.
 - No chains are allowed.
 - All clothing brands and designs with any unauthorized group symbols, profanity, gestures or signs are prohibited.
 - Hats may only be worn in classes with teacher permission.
 - Dorags, skull caps, and bandanas are prohibited. Other headgear that disrupts the learning environment will be handled on a case by case basis.
 - Gloves and sunglasses may not be worn in the building.
 - Pajamas, blankets and slippers are prohibited.

Truancy / Class Cutting

Students shall be regular and punctual in attendance at school and in all classes. Truancy results in disciplinary action taken by administrators.

B. Bus and Bus Stop Rules-*MPHS is 3D free, including on the buses and at the respective stops. Represent the MPHS family well in these areas!*

School buses are operated for the safe transportation of students traveling to and from school and school activities. Riding the bus is a privilege, which may be revoked when the general conduct of the student is detrimental to the safety and comfort of others on the bus.

1. While riding on a school bus, students are subject to all school rules and regulations.
2. The bus driver is in charge of all passengers and has the authority to assign seats and make any other arrangements deemed necessary to maintain a safe and orderly environment. Students are required to obey the directions of the driver.
3. **Students are required to ride their assigned buses and get on and off at their designated stops. No student may ride a bus that he or she is not assigned to.**
4. CMS policy prohibits the school from allowing students to ride home with friends on a school bus they are not assigned to by the Transportation Department.

C. Grades/Attendance Procedures

Access Your Students' Grades and Attendance Using PowerSchool

Use the link below to stay connected and up to date on grades and attendance information. Information on downloading and using the app in the App Store or Google play is found in the link.

<https://www.wearecms.com/apps/pages/powerschool>

Absence from school

When students are absent from school, they should bring a note from their parent, guardian, or health care professional stating the students' legal name (not nickname), CMS student ID number, the reason for the absence and the date(s) absent from school.

Students are responsible for submitting absence notes directly to the Attendance Office.

According to CMS guidelines, the Attendance Office will code the absence as excused or unexcused and notify teachers. The Parent/Guardian will receive a voice recording at home indicating that your student has missed one or more classes for that day regardless if the absence is excused or unexcused or if you submitted a note. It is not necessary to call Myers Park when your child is absent from school. If you know your student will have an extended absence, please contact your guidance counselor.

Tardiness

Our expectation is that students will arrive to school on time. Oversleeping, missing the bus, car maintenance problems, or being transported late by a private vehicle is not considered an excused tardy. Students are expected to remain at school and be on time for all of their classes for the remainder of the day. Myers Park uses a student management center (SMC) that allows teachers to deal effectively with students who are tardy. Students who are tardy to class must go to a designated area (SMC) to receive a pass and have their tardy recorded. Multiple visits to (SMC) are dealt with by an administrator and will result in consequences. Students may not enter into a classroom late without an excused pass signed by a faculty member.

Leaving School Grounds

Students are not permitted to leave campus without permission from an administrator. All students who leave school grounds without permission will be considered truant and will face subsequent disciplinary actions. Students with parking permits who leave campus without permission will lose their parking privileges. When an emergency situation or student illness occurs, students should report directly to the Attendance Office where a parent/guardian will be notified and dismissal arrangements will be made. All students leaving campus for any reason must sign out in the Attendance Office.

Attendance Recovery

CMS regulations require students to have no more than 10 absences in a class for credit to be awarded in a course. Absences above the 10 class maximum must be “recovered” by making arrangements with the teacher of record in order for credit to be awarded in the class.

D. Media Center

The Myers Park Media Center is open from 6:45 am until 3:30 pm Monday – Thursday and 6:45 am until 2:45 pm on Fridays. Students are welcome to visit the library during the school day with a signed and dated pass from the teacher whose class they are registered and coming from.

E. Change of Address

Any change in a student’s address and/or telephone number should be reported to the Guidance/Student Services Office. In order to change your address, you must bring in three pieces of identifying information indicating that the new address is your current residence.

F. Visitors

VISITORS: All visitors must report to the Main Office, sign in, and wear a visitor’s pass in a clearly visible area.

G. Health and Medication

The public health nurse is on campus regularly every day and can be contacted by phone. The CMS Medication Policy states:

- Any prescription or over the counter medication, (even aspirin or Tylenol), must be kept in the school office.
- There must be a current medication authorization form on file signed by the parent and doctor.
- Forms are available in the main office and in the CMS Student Handbook.
- Immunization records are necessary for enrollment for those students newly enrolled in CMS or who have been outside the system for a period of time.
- It is critical that the school nurse or counselor be informed of any medical or emotional condition that could be a problem at school. All students should have a blue emergency locator card completed each school year. These cards will be in your information packet and should be returned to the student’s homeroom teacher. For questions or concerns please contact Ms. Amy Lattimore RN at the school.

H. Parking

General Information:

Seniors will be given priority. All eligible drivers must meet the driving requirements listed in the MPHS Student Parking Contractual Agreement Form signed by a parent or legal guardian.

All eligible drivers must have a 2.5 GPA on their 2nd Semester report card as of the end of last school year and maintained each semester thereafter.

Revocation:

- Students caught using a vehicle in order to violate other rules in the Code of Conduct, including but not limited to leaving campus without permission, will lose their parking permit for the remainder of the school year.
- Students caught transporting other students off campus without permission will lose their parking permit along with passengers that may have driving eligibility.
- Students parking on CMS or Myers Park High School property without a current MPHS student parking permit will be towed at the owner's expense and forfeit their opportunity for a parking permit at a later date. Towing cost is approximately \$120.00.
- Students will not move their vehicles during the school day unless they have early dismissal or administrator permission.

I. MPHS Student Publications

Newspaper - The Myers Park Hoofprint

Literary Magazine - The Pegasus

Yearbook - The Mustang

J. PTSO

The PTSO is an organization composed of parents, teachers, and students whose objectives include acting as a liaison between the school and community, serving as an advisory group, making suggestions and recommendations for the improvement of school programs, and providing volunteer services in many school activities. The PTSO is a national organization and is open for membership to anyone.

To join Mustang Express click on the website: <https://mphsptso.org/>

Or Text MUSTANGEXPRESS to 22828

K. Mustang Club

The Mustang Club seeks to enhance the overall Myers Park athletic experience for all (student-athletes, coaches, parents, alumni, faculty, and the entire student body) by creating funding to be used across all sports with the goal of sustained athletic excellence.

For more information please check out the link below.

<https://www.cmsathleticzone.com/page/show/818042-myers-park-booster-club>

L. MPHS Foundation

Enhancing the educational experience of every Myers Park student by expanding opportunity, addressing unmet needs and funding innovation. For more information please check out the link below.

<http://www.mphsfoundation.org/>

M. International Baccalaureate (IB)

In 1992, Myers Park High School became the first public school in North Carolina to offer the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program for juniors and seniors, and the first school (public or private) in the United States to offer the IB Middle Years Program (IB MYP) for freshmen and sophomores. For over 25 years, students enrolled in these programs have enjoyed the opportunity to earn an internationally recognized IB Diploma in addition to their Myers Park diploma.

For more information please check out the link below.

<http://www.myersparkib.org/>

N. Booster Clubs

Booster Clubs are organized parent groups whose purpose is to support various extracurricular activities at Myers Park. The Athletic Department (Mustang Club), Band, Chorus, DECA, Theatre, and Debate programs all have Booster Clubs to help with travel and equipment expenses.

Administration

Position	Name	Room
Principal	Mark Bosco	AG 135
AP of Instruction	Allyson Davis	AG 139
AP of School Administration	Michelle Richards	SET 106
AP of School Administration	Justin Holt	LA 317
AP of School Operations	Tyson Jeffus	S 100
Dean of Students	Brian Freeland	LA 217
Dean of Students	Summer Blount	LA 100
Dean of Students	Peets Guice	AG 134

Counselors

Name	Student Alpha	Office Number
Kara Edwards	A-Browne	AG 129
Kristen Hodges	Browning-Deschamps	AG 128

Kimberly Folk	Desmond-Gomez	AG 127
Sam Greene	Gong-Johns	AG 130
Ginny Jenkins	Johnson-Martin	AG 124
Martin Unger	Martinez-Obeck	AG 121
Sandra Kindell	Obringer-Rowland	AG 125
Sequoia Goodman	Royal-Teague	AG 126
Meredith Sherrill	Tebbitt-Z	AG 132

Department Chairs

English	Kristen Angerer
Math	Karen Blackert
Science	Chad Groncki
Foreign Language	Kelly Szell
Social Studies	Megan Ledford
Exceptional Children	Erica Pistolis
Physical Education	Scott Taylor
CTE	Joanne Pugsley
Fine Arts	Lynn Wu
ROTC	Jimmy Hillabrandt

Office Staff/Student Life

Position	Name	Room
Senior Administrative Secretary	Liz James	Front Office
IB Coordinator	Katie Willett	AG 141
Testing Coordinator	Amber Dowdy	AG 119

Registrar	Kory Forman	AG 109
Student Services	Stephanie Eddington	AG 109
Career Development Coordinator	Joanne Pugsley	AG 122
Attendance Secretary	Brenda Kennion	AG 117
School Nurse	Rebecca Hartline	AG 104
Treasurer	Debby Grier	AG 142
Student Government	Katherine Cates	LA 312
Athletic Director	Brian Poore	Gym
Yearbook/ Pictures	Megan Ledford	S 7
Parking	1st Sgt. Foye/Maj. Hillabrandt	A 1
Exceptional Children Compliance	Amy Kerr	AG 140

Myers Park High Sports & Coaching Staff

2019-2020

Athletic Director	Brian Poore
Assistant AD/ Facilities Manager	Scott Taylor
Eligibility Coordinator	
Head Trainer	Danielle Gemignani

Athletic Associate/Registrar	Kory Formon
Fall Sports	
Football	Scott Chadwick
Volleyball	Varsity: Bettie Berry Junior Varsity: Jen Leahy
Women's Tennis	Ed Flynn
Cross Country	Lamont Hayes
Field Hockey	Erica Adcock
Men's Soccer	Varsity: Bucky McCarley Junior Varsity: Thomas Laird
Women's Golf	Jason Lockwood
Cheerleading (Fall & Winter)	Mason Callahan and Abigail Jenkins
Winter Sports	
Women's Basketball	Varsity: Barbara Nelson Junior Varsity:
Men' Basketball	Varsity: Scott Taylor Junior Varsity: Nick Jones
Wrestling	
Swimming/Diving	Mimi Goudes
Spring Sports	
Baseball	Eric Foor
Softball	Kory Formon
Men's Golf	Jason Lockwood

Men's Tennis	Ed Flynn
Women's Soccer	Bucky McCarley
Track	Lamont Hayes
Womens' Lacrosse	Catherine LeBlanc
Men's Lacrosse	John Hamrick

CLUB LIST 2019-2020

(Clubs are subject to change.)

Club Name	Advisor	Advisor Email (all end with @cms.k12.nc.us)
Academic WorldQuest	Mark Jenkins	mark.jenkins
A.C.E.	Ann Murphy	annm.murphy
Achieving Excellence in Education (AXE)	Sandra Kindell	sandra.kindell
ADL No Place for Hate	Sivonne Stone	sivonnek.stone
Anglers Club	Brian Hester	Brian.hester

Aspie & Mentoring	Susan Pittinaro	susan.pittinaro
Barringer Buddies	Kathleen Montini	kathleen.montini
Bead the Change	Jessica Lee	jessica1.lee
Best Buddies	Kristen Starnes	kristen.starnes
Book Club	Melissa Hefner	melissa.hefner
Burrito Bikers	Lisa Patrizio	lisa.patrizio
Cargo for Combat	Hanah Escoto	hanah1.escoto
Chinese Club	Roselyn Coyne	roselynf.coyne
Civitas Club	John Colbert	johnl.colbert
Clothes for Change	Jennifer Osburn	Jenniferl.osburn
Creative Writing Club	Mackenzie Sheehan	mackenzies.sheehan
DECA	Matthew Speas	Matthew.speas
Domestic Violence Awareness Club	Monika.Tubb	Monikal.tubb
eMPowered	Katie Dunn	kathryng.dunn
Environmental Activism	Tracy Zornow	tracy.zornow
Evolution Club	Tierra McDonald	tierrad.mcdonald
FBLA	Shannon Sharpe	shannonm.sharpe
FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)	Scott Chadwick	Cs.chadwick
Feed 42	Hannah Smith	hannahe.smith
Fellas Acapella	Nicole Turski	nicolee.turski
Film Club	Bryant Crisp	b.crisp
French Club	Kokougan Avos	kokougank.avos
French Honor Society	Sophie David-Gunn	sophied.david-gunn
Friends of Prajwala	Daniel Smith	daniel.smith
Gay/Straight Alliance (GSA)	Kristen Angerer	Kristen.angerer
Grupo de Diversidad Cultural	Maria Dominguez	maria.dominguez
Hearts and Crafts	Andilyn Williamson	andilynk.williamson
Hope for the Homeless	James Smith	james.smith
HOSA	Anthony Iuso	anthony1.iuso

IB Council	Allyson Davis	Kathryn.davis
Interact	Anne Cullip	anneh.cullip
International Thespian Society	Amanda Roberts	amandam.roberts
Italian Club	Alexandra Dow	alexandrag.dow
Key Club	Kaitlyn Valder	Kaitlynm.valder
KIVA	Chris St. Clair	christopher.stclair
Latin Club	Christopher Cudabac	christopherg.cudabac
Make-A-Wish Club	Erin Luck	ering.luck
Mu Alpha Theta (Mathematics NHS)	Michelle Krummel	michelle1.krummel
MPHS Bluegrass Club	Mark Jenkins	Mark.jenkins
MPHS Legacy Ladies Step Team	Tommy Staton	tommye.staton
Myers Park Muse	Carolyn Drake	carolyns.drake
National Art Honor Society	Lynn Wu	lynn.wu
National English Honor Society		
National Honor Society	Abby Jenkins	abigailr.jenkins
Odyssey of the Mind	Ed Flynn	ed.flynn
Operation Smile	Monika Tubb	monikal.tubb
Physics Club	Scott Shoaf	Scottyg.shoaf
PRIDE (Paving Roads in the Direction of Equality)	Tommye Staton	Tommye.staton
Project Inspire	Kelly Schwippert	kellya.schwippert
Project Party	Susan Pittinaro	susan.pittinaro
Project Unify	Wanda Sowell	wanda.sowell
Pulsar Search Collaboratory	James Elliott	james.elliott
Rocket Girls - Ladies who Launch	Laura Armstrong	laurae.armstrong
Recycling Club	Andilyn Williamson	andilynk.williamson
Running Works	Eben Lancerio	ebenezer1.lancerio
Science Olympiad	Susan Pittinaro	susan.pittinaro
Sign Language Club		
Speech and Debate Team	Jesse Covault	Jesse.covault

Sports Medicine		
Student Sport Management	Luther Whitson	luthera.whitson
Team Tonka	Nicole Muse-Dennis	nicole.muse
The Card Campaign	Andilyn Williamson	andilynk.williamson
The Foundation for Tomorrow	Christopher St. Clair	christopher.stclair
The Sallies (all female a cappella)	Nicole Turski	Nicolee.turski
Tri-M Music Honor Society	Felicia Sink	feliciak.sink
Vocal Affinity	Nicole Turski	Nicolee.turski
Volleyball Club	Elizabeth Berry	elizabeth.berry
WakeUp!	Eben Lancerio	ebenezer1.lancerio
Women's Rugby	Kelly Schwippert	Kellya.schwippert
Yarn Heroes	Andilyn Williamson	Andilynk.williamson
Young Life	Arthur Baum	Arthurr.baum

Student Schedule

Block	Time	
Breakfast	6:45-7:00	
1st Block	7:15-8:53	
2nd Block	9:00-10:30	
3rd Block (1 st Lunch)	Class 11:00-12:38	10:30-10:53 (1 st Lunch) <i>MC 5, 7, 8, 19-28; SET 2nd&3rd</i>
3rd Block (2 nd Lunch)	Class 10:37-10:57 Class 11:26-12:38	10:57-11:20 (2 nd Lunch) <i>LA 1st; SC</i>
3rd Block (3 rd Lunch)	Class 10:37-11:23 Class 11:51-12:38	11:23-11:46 (3 rd Lunch) <i>V; M; MA</i>
3rd Block (4 th Lunch)	Class 10:37-11:49 Class 12:16-12:38	11:49-12:12 (4 th Lunch) <i>S; MC 12-18</i>

3rd Block (5 th Lunch)	Class 10:37-12:15	12:15-12:38 (5th Lunch) <i>Gym; A; LA 2nd&3rd, Auto, SET 1st</i>
4th Block		12:45-2:15