

Jackson Memorial High School

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Jackson Memorial Overview

Jackson Memorial High School offers a diversified curriculum including more than 180 courses in art, mathematics, music, communications, language arts, physical education, Air Force Junior ROTC, science, social studies, world language, and technology, as well as dozens of honors and advanced placement courses. Our full complement of Advanced Placement Courses allows advanced students many academic college level programs. Vocational and Technical education is offered through a shared-time program with the Ocean County Vocational Technical Schools. Distance learning and on-line courses are also available. To further enhance our educational instruction, the school continues to enhance technology throughout the building to bring tools of the 21st century to our students.

The academic programs only partially describe student life at Jackson Memorial High School. The Student Activity Program includes a variety of award-winning clubs that are related to and support the various academic offerings. The Student Council, Science and Math League, various honor societies, Future Business Leaders of America and others are essential to the delivery of the overall school program. The school newspaper and literary magazine, which have won numerous national awards and "The Jaguar" yearbook, provide an avenue for students to develop their literary abilities. Clubs such as the Key Club and Interact Club encourage a commitment of service to the community. The Peer Assistant Leaders (PALS) have more than 60 juniors and seniors serving as mentors to the incoming freshman and the Lynx Pride program works with our middle school students on decision-making skills, leadership and communication.

The Marching Jaguar Band, 200 strong, continues to demonstrate excellence in various state and national competitions. They have been nationally recognized and selected to march in Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena California on New Year's Day and recently participated in the Miss America Pageant Parade in Atlantic City along with the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade. The JMHS Student Activity Program also includes a full complement of 27 interscholastic varsity sports. Many team and individual championships have been won over the years including state and conference championships. Athletes are regularly recognized for their accomplishments in the media and are chosen as members on All-Conference, All-County and All-State Teams. Good sportsmanship is emphasized and personal and team achievements are expected.

CURRICULUM

JMHS offers a fully diversified curriculum of over 180 courses in art, English, mathematics, music, communications, physical education, Air Force Jr. ROTC, science, social studies, world language, and vocational and technical fields. The latter are provided via a cooperative share-time program with the Ocean County Vocational-Technical Schools.



ACADEMIES

Jackson Memorial proudly offers four different academies to our students. We have the S.T.E.M Academy, (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics), Jackson Academy of Business (J.A.B.), Jackson Arts Academy (J.A.A.), and the Digital Media Academy (D.M.A.). These academies are highly selective and require an application process.

HONORS PROGRAM

The purpose of the Honors Program is to provide students with an accelerated and expanded approach to the curriculum in the disciplines of English, mathematics, science, social studies, and world languages. Approximately 24 honor level courses are offered.

SCHEDULING

Semester Block scheduling was fully implemented in September, 1997. Our courses, with a few exceptions, are taught on a semester basis comprising 80 minute block and a 28 minute lunch. A normal schedule consists of four courses in the fall semester and four courses in the spring semester. AP Courses and some honors courses may meet on an A/B cycle (every other day) or every day for an 80 minute block.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

JMHS is proud to offer its honor students an opportunity to gain college credits by enrolling in year-long Advanced Placement courses. The AP offerings for the 2022 - 2023 school year are as listed.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

A.P. English Literature	A.P. English Language	A.P. French Language	
A.P. Biology	A.P. Music Theory	A.P. Chemistry	A.P. US History
A.P. Environment	A.P. Physics C-Mech	A.P. US Gov't & Politics	A.P. Calculus AB
A.P. Psychology	A.P. Calculus BC	A.P. Studio Art	A.P. Computer Science
A.P. Statistics	A.P. Microeconomics	A.P. Macroeconomics	A.P. Studio Art 2D
A.P. Spanish	A.P. Art Drawing	A.P. World History	

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to meeting an assessment requirement, all graduates of the Class of 2018 must successfully earn 130 credits:

- 4 courses each in English and Physical
 - Education/Health,
- 3 courses in Mathematics.
- 3 courses in Science,
- 2 courses in U.S. History,
- 1 course in World History,
- 2 courses in World Language,
- 1 computer-related course
- 1 course in Visual and Performing Arts
- 1 course in financial literacy and
- 1 course in 21st Century life and careers.

GRADING SYSTEM and CLASS RANK

- ☐ The numeric system is based on a 100 point scale.
- \square Honors classes will receive extra weight of 1.05 times the numeric grade
- ☐ Advanced Placement (AP) classes will receive extra weight of 1.10 times the numeric grade.
- ☐ Grade Point Averages (GPA) will be computed on a weighted 4.0 scale. Although there are no longer going to be letter grades, the following chart serves as a general guide to understanding numeric scores.
- A 90-100 B 80-89 C 70-79 D 65-69
- F Below 65
 WC Still indicates Withdraw Credit
- P or F Pass/ Fail Course and will not be configured into GPA