



"Passport to the World"

# MARVIN RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL PROFILE FOR 2021-2022

### SCHOOL COUNSELING STAFF

Laura Markstein - Counselor (A-C)      Margaret Trunk – Counselor (D-I)  
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Jeanette Beste – Counselor (Sf-Z)

**OUR SCHOOL:** Marvin Ridge High School was established August, 2007, in Waxhaw, NC.

- **Graduation Rates:** 99% for 2020-21; 98.4 % for 2019-2020; 99.1 % for 2018-2019; 99.3% for 2017-2018; 100% for 2016-2017; 99.7% for 2015-2016; 99.5% for 2014-2015; 99.4% for 2013-2014; 99.7% for 2012-2013; 100% for 2011-2012; 99.34% for 2010-2011; 97.4% for 2009-2010; 98.1% for 2008-2009
- **North Carolina READY Initiative/Accountability Model Performance Composite Testing Results:** 95% for 2018-2019; 95% for 2017-2018; 96% for 2016-2017; 90% for 2015-2016; 93% for 2014-2015; 85.2% for 2013-2014; 81.1% for 2012-2013
- **Conference Athletic Wells Fargo Cup Winner:** 2007-2008 through 2018-2019 (twelve consecutive years); North Carolina Wells Fargo 3A State Cup Winner 2018-2019, 2016-2017 and 2013-2014; North Carolina State Cup Runner-up for 2014-2015, 2015-2016, and 2017-2018. 2020-21 MaxPreps Cup State Champions
- **Diverse Student Life program and wide array of extracurricular offerings**
- **The graduating class of 2021 self-reported the following post-graduation plans:** 88% to a 4-year college/university, 10% to a 2-year college, 1% to military service, and 1% directly to the work force.

**VISION STATEMENT:** Marvin Ridge High School will provide a diverse educational experience which will empower our students to succeed as citizens in a changing global community.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** The mission of Marvin Ridge High School is to educate all students in a safe, inspiring, and globally aware environment that promotes respect for diversity, lifelong learning, challenging athletics, and extra-curricular experiences that foster successful living.

**COLLEGE PREPARATORY ENVIRONMENT:** All students are assigned the **Future Ready** course of study to prepare them for college.

**IB WORLD SCHOOL:** MRHS offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program. International Baccalaureate schools share a common philosophy—a commitment to a high quality, challenging international education.

**DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS:** Students must graduate with a minimum of 28 Carnegie credit units. Credit requirements for students who transfer to MRHS during their high school years may be fewer.

**SCHEDULE:** The MRHS curriculum is offered on a hybrid 4x4 block and A-day/B-day schedule. IB courses, most AP courses, and a select number of other courses are scheduled as year-long on an A-day/B-day schedule. All courses involve approximately 135 instructional hours, earning a maximum one credit per course.

**GRADING SCALE:** Union County Public Schools requires the following grading scale/ point values. Additional quality points are given for a passing grade (60-100) for specific courses based on the course's academic level.

Numeric Grade	Non-Weighted Point Value
90-100	4.0
80-89	3.0
70-79	2.0
60-69	1.0
0-59	0.0
*PC-19/WC-19	--

Academic Level of Course	Additional Quality Points Given for a Weighted GPA
College Prep	No additional Points
Honors	.5 additional point
Career & College Promise / College Transfer Courses	1 additional point
AP (Advanced Placement)	1 additional point
IB (International Baccalaureate)	1 additional point

\*Due to the impact of COVID-19 during the Spring Semester of the 2019-2020 school year, NC Public Schools offered students GPA neutral grading options of PC-19 (Passing) or WC-19 (Withdrawal). Neither of these grading options involved a GPA point value. PC-19 grades yielded course credit. WC-19 grades did not yield course credit.

**DISTANCE LEARNING:** MRHS offers Distance Learning opportunities to students through the **NC Virtual Public School** (<http://www.ncvps.org/>) and through Union County Virtual on-line courses.

#### HONORS AND COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES OFFERED AT MRHS

**Honors-level** courses are offered in the areas of English, Fine Arts, Math, Physical Education, Science, Social Studies, World Language, and Career and Technical Education. Course content, pace, and academic rigor place high expectations on the student and surpass standards specified by Common Core and North Carolina Essential Standards.

#### HONORS COURSES

Adobe Visual Design	Chinese III, IV, V	French III, IV, V	Pre-Calculus
Adobe Video Design	Civics & Economics	German III, IV, V	Psychology/Sociology
Accounting I, II	Civic Literacy	Global Awareness	Python Programming I, II
Advanced Biology Topics	Counseling & Mental Health	Health Science I, II	Robotics & Engineering I, II
Advanced Calculus AB	Concert Chorus III, IV	Ladies Chorus III, IV	Sales I
Advanced Chemistry Topics	Creative Writing	Marine Science	Spanish III, IV, V
Advanced Inquiry/Research	Culinary Arts and Hospitality I	Marketing	Sports & Entertainment Mktg. I, II
American History I, II	Discrete Mathematics	Marketing Applications	Sports Medicine I, II
Anatomy & Physiology	Drafting I, II	Math I, II, III, IV	Theatre Arts III, IV
Animal Science	Earth/Environmental Science	Men's Chorus III, IV	Visual Arts III, IV
Band III, IV	Econ & Personal Finance	Microsoft Excel	Yearbook III, IV
Biology I	English I, II, III, IV	Multicultural Women's	Weightlifting
Business Law	Fashion Merchandising	Studies	World History
Business Management	Financial Planning	Mythology	Yearbook III, IV
Chemistry I	Fitness & Nutrition	Physics	

**AP & IB level** course content, pace, and academic rigor are college-level as adopted by the College Board and International Baccalaureate Organization. These courses prepare students to take the AP/IB examinations which may lead to college credit.

#### **Advanced Placement (AP) Courses**

Art-2D Studio/Art-3D Studio	Comparative Gov & Politics	French	Physics I
Biology	Computer Science A	German	Psychology
Calculus AB	Computer Science Principles	Government & Politics US	Spanish
Calculus BC	English Language	Human Geography	Statistics
Chemistry	English Literature	Microeconomics	US History
Chinese Language and Culture	Environmental Science	Macroeconomics	World History

#### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) COURSES

(These are two year courses for the Junior and Senior years in the IB Diploma Program).

Biology – Higher Level	French <i>ab initio</i> – Standard Level	Math Analysis – Standard Level
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Business Management- Higher Level	History of the Americas – Higher Level	Physics – Standard Level
Chemistry – Higher Level	Information Technology in a Global	Spanish – Standard Level
Chinese – Standard Level	Society – Higher Level	Theory of Knowledge
English – Higher Level	Literature & Performance – Standard Level	Sports & Exercise Sci- Standard Level
French – Standard Level	Math Applications – Standard Level	Visual Arts – Standard & Higher Level

#### STUDENT-LED ORGANIZATIONS

African American History Club	FCCLA	Mavs Make a Difference	Rho Kappa
Asian American History Club	Food for Education	M-Con	R.I.S.E. Sports Business
Beta Club	French Club	Mavs Science & Engineering	Robotics
Battle of the Books Club	French Honor Society	Mental Health Club	Science National Honor Society
Check! Improv Troupe	Gay & Straight Alliance	Model UN	Science Olympiad
Chess Club	German Club	Mu Alpha Theta	Spanish Club
Computer Science Club	German Honor Society	National Art Honor Society	Spanish Honor Society
DECA	Global Ambassadors	National Chinese Honor Society	Speech & Debate Club
ESports	HOSA – Future Health Professionals	National English Honor Society	Sports Business Club
FBLA – Future Business Leaders	International Thespian Society	National Honor Society	Student Council
of America	Isabella Santos Foundation	National Technical Honor Society	Tabletop Club
FCA – Fellowship of Christian	Literary Magazine	Photography Club	Tri-M Music Honor Society
Athletes	Mavs4Mavs	Red Cross Club	Yearbook Club
			Young Life