



"Passport to the World"

MARVIN RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL PROFILE FOR 2018-2019

SCHOOL COUNSELING STAFF

Lori Sgan- Counselor (A-C & IB) Margaret Trunk – Counselor (D-K)
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OUR SCHOOL: Marvin Ridge High School was established August, 2007, in Waxhaw, NC.

- **Graduation Rates:** 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 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 2017-2018 (eleven consecutive years); North Carolina Wells Fargo State Cup Winner 2016-2017 and 2013-2014; North Carolina State Cup Runner-up for 2014-2015, 2015-2016, and 2017-2018.
- **Diverse Student Life Program and wide array of extracurricular offerings**
- **The graduating class of 2018 self-reported the following post-graduation plans:** 88% to a 4-year college/university, 9% to a 2-year college, 1.5% to military service, and 1.5% 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 4x4 block schedule for most courses. IB Courses and select AP courses are scheduled as year-long on an A-day/B-day schedule. All students receive daily instruction in four ninety-minute classes, 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. ** Prior to the 2015-2016 school year Union County Public Schools followed a seven point grading scale.

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

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

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

Accounting I, II	Chinese III, IV	Global Awareness	Spanish III, IV, V
Advanced Biology Topics	Civics & Economics	Health Science I	Sports & Entertainment Mktg. I,II
Advanced Calculus AB	Computer Programming I, II	Ladies Chorus III, IV	Sports Medicine
Advanced Chemistry Topics	Concert Chorus III, IV	Marine Science	The Cold War
Advanced Inquiry/Research	Creative Writing	Marketing	Theatre Arts III, IV
American History I, II	Discrete Math	Marketing Management	Visual Arts III, IV
Anatomy & Physiology	Earth Science	Math I, II, III	Yearbook III, IV
Band III, IV	English I, II, III, IV	Men's Chorus III, IV	World History
Biology I	Film Studio I, II	Physics	
Business Law	Fitness & Nutrition	Pre-Calculus	
Chemistry I	French III, IV, V	Psychology/Sociology	
	German III, IV, V	Remember the Holocaust	

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	Computer Science Principles	German	Music Theory
Art History	English Language	Government & Politics US	Physics I, II
Biology	English Literature	Human Geography	Psychology
Calculus AB	Environmental Science	Latin	Spanish
Calculus BC	European History	Microeconomics	Statistics
Chemistry	French	Macroeconomics	US History
Computer Science A			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 – Standard Level	Mathematics – Standard Level
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Chemistry – Standard Level	German – Standard Level	Spanish – Standard Level
Chemistry – Higher Level	History of the Americas – Higher Level	Theory of Knowledge
Chinese – Standard Level	Information Technology in a Global	Visual Arts – Standard Level
Computer Science – Standard Level	Society – Higher Level	Visual Arts - Higher Level
English – Higher Level	Math Studies – Standard Level	

STUDENT-LED ORGANIZATIONS

African American History Club	Environmental Activist Club	Key Club	Science & Engineering
American Red Cross Club	FBLA – Future Business Leaders of	Maverick Spirit Club	Science Olympiad
Alzheimer's Awareness Club	America	Mu Alpha Theta	Spanish Honor Society
Art Club	FCA – Fellowship of Christian Athletes	National Art Honor Society	Speech & Debate Club
Asian Culture Club	Film Club	National Chinese Honor Society	Student Council
Beta Club	Future Investors for America	National English Honor Society	Tri-M Music Honor Society
Battle of the Books Club	French Club	National Honor Society	Turning Point
Best Buddies	French Honor Society	Red Cross Club	Young Democrats
Check! Improv Troupe	Gay/Straight Alliance	Rho Kappa	Young Life
Chess Club	German Club	Robotics Club	Young Republicans
Code Blue	German Honor Society	Sports Journalism & Broadcasting	You're Not Alone
Computing Club	HOSA – Future Health Professionals	Science National Honor Society	
DECA	International Thespian Society		