



"Passport to the World"

MARVIN RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL PROFILE FOR 2019-2020

SCHOOL COUNSELING STAFF

Lori Sgan - Counselor (A-C & IB Seniors) Margaret Trunk - Counselor (D-I)
Celestine Peters - Counselor (J-M) Jeff Shocki - Counselor (N-Se & IB Juniors)
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OUR SCHOOL: Marvin Ridge High School was established August, 2007 in Waxhaw, NC.

- **Graduation Rates:** 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 2017-2019 (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.
- **Diverse Student Life program and wide array of extracurricular offerings**
- **The graduating class of 2019 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, most AP courses, and a select number of other courses are scheduled as year-long on an A-day/B-day schedule. All students receive daily instruction in four eighty-three 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.

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

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	Comparative Government & Politics	French	Physics I, II
Art History	Computer Science A	German	Psychology
Biology	Computer Science Principles	Government & Politics US	Spanish
Calculus AB	English Language	Human Geography	Statistics
Calculus BC	English Literature	Microeconomics	US History
Chemistry	Environmental Science	Macroeconomics	World History
Chinese Language and Culture	European 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	Mathematical Analysis – Standard Level
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Chemistry – Higher Level	German – Standard Level	Spanish – Standard Level
Chinese – Standard Level	History of the Americas – Higher Level	Theory of Knowledge
Computer Science – Standard Level	Information Technology in a Global Society – Higher Level	Visual Arts – Standard Level
English – Higher Level	Mathematical Applications – Standard Level	Visual Arts – Higher Level

STUDENT-LED ORGANIZATIONS

African American History Club	FCA – Fellowship of Christian Athletes	International Thespian Society	Sports Journalism & Broadcasting
American Red Cross Club	FCCLA	Isabella Santos Foundation	Science National Honor Society
Alzheimer's Awareness Club	Female Empowerment Movement	Literary Magazine	Science & Engineering
Beta Club	Film Club	Maverick Spirit Club	Science Olympiad
Battle of the Books Club	Future Investors for America	M-Con	Spanish Club
Best Buddies	French Club	Model UN	Spanish Honor Society
Check! Improv Troupe	French Honor Society	Mu Alpha Theta	Speech & Debate Club
Chess Club	Game Design Club	National Art Honor Society	Student Council
Code Blue	Gay/Straight Alliance	National Chinese Honor Society	Tabletop Club
Computing Olympiad	German Club	National English Honor Society	Tri-M Music Honor Society
DECA	German Honor Society	National Honor Society	Ultimate Frisbee
E-Sports	Girls Who Code	National Technical Honor Society	Young Life
Environmental Activist Club	Global Ambassadors	Red Cross Club	You're Not Alone
FBLA – Future Business Leaders of America	HOSA – Future Health Professionals	Rho Kappa	
		Robotics Club	