

# **NORTH MOORE HIGH SCHOOL**



## **STUDENT HANDBOOK**

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## **Daily Bell Schedule**

**1<sup>st</sup> block- 8:30-10:00**

BREAK- 10:00-10:08

Warning bell for two minutes to get to class

**2<sup>nd</sup> block- 10:10-11:40**

**3<sup>rd</sup> block- 11:45-1:50**

1<sup>st</sup> lunch- 11:45-12:15

2<sup>nd</sup> lunch- 12:30-1:00

3<sup>rd</sup> lunch- 1:20-1:50

BREAK 1:50-1:58

Warning bell for two minutes to get to class

**4<sup>th</sup> block- 2:00-3:30**

### **Alternate Bell Schedule**

#### **1 Hour Delay**

9:30-10:50- First period

10:55-12:10- Second Period

12:15-2:05- Third Period/Lunches

1<sup>st</sup>- 12:15-12:40 2<sup>nd</sup>- 1:00-1:25 3<sup>rd</sup> 1:40-2:05

2:10-3:30-Fourth Period

#### **2 Hour Delay**

10:30-11:40-First Period

11:45-1:10- Third Period /Lunches

1<sup>st</sup>- 11:45-12:10 2<sup>nd</sup>- 12:15-12:40 3<sup>rd</sup>- 12:45-1:10

1:15-2:25- Second Period

2:30-3:30- Fourth Period

### **Early Release Schedule**

8:30-9:20 First

9:25-10:15 Second

10:20-11:10 Third

11:15-12:05 Fourth

12:05-12:30 Lunch

North Moore High School opened in 1965  
Colors – Forest Green and Old Gold  
Mascot – Mustang

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We will encourage and challenge all students to realize and fulfill their potential.

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

We seek to provide a safe, comfortable and inviting place for our students to become respectful and responsible adults, successfully prepared for careers and college.

#### **The Mustang Way**

**Respect, Responsibility and Integrity wherever we are, in all we do!**

#### **NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

The Moore County School System, Carthage, NC, does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, or handicap in the education programs or activities which it operates. It is required by Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 (as amended) not to discriminate in such a manner. This policy of nondiscrimination includes: recruitment and employment of employees, salaries, pay and other benefits, counseling service to students, student access to course offerings, educational programs, and other activities.

Coordination of activities relating to compliance with Title IX is the responsibility of Dr. Seth Powers, Director of Student Services, Moore County Schools, Educational Center (910) 947-2976.

Coordination of activities relating to compliance with Section 504 is the responsibility of LaShunda Maynor, Assistant Director of Student Services, Moore County Schools (910) 947-2342.

#### **THE “MUSTANG WAY”**

The “Mustang Way” is not just something we say, it is the way in which we live, work and relate to others within our school, community and anywhere else we might travel. Living the “Mustang Way” means we are RESPECTFUL (polite, kind, genuine) of others at all times, we are RESPONSIBLE (appropriately controlling our thoughts, words and actions) in all decisions and display INTEGRITY (being honest and doing what is fair and good) in all we do. As students of North Moore High School you represent the entire school and community wherever you are.

#### **Everyday expectations (small things do matter and make a big difference):**

- Addressing or referring to all adults with 1. A title and 2. Their last name (example: Mr. Patterson, Officer Shamberger, Coach Carrouth, and Mr. Brady). Using appropriate titles and names shows that you have respect for the person to whom you are referring or addressing. You are expected to use a title and a LAST name for all adults who work within our school and all adults that visit our school. It is also good practice to remember when on your jobs or when out volunteering and working within the community.
- Yes Ma’am and No Sir are polite ways to respond and putting this practice into place now will ensure you carry it over to your college and workplace in the future.
- Hold the door for the person behind you and open the door for the person in front of you.
- Understand that the beauty of Mustang Country is that although we have many similarities, we also have many differences and we ensure that all of our differences are celebrated, valued and put to use within our school community. **At all points in time** (on and off campus/in person or via social media) you are expected to treat all students within our school, and any of the schools we might come into contact with through competitions or activities, with kindness and respect. That doesn’t mean that you have to be best friends with everyone or that you have to agree with others opinions, choices or beliefs. What it does mean is that you are expected to show kindness and never display any ill will in thoughts, words or actions to others. We are a school FAMILY. In all families there are sometimes disagreements and times when you may not all be getting along, but you work together to figure it out and move

forward in a positive and more productive manner. This is what we expect of you as a SCHOOL FAMILY. If you see problems arising or a possible problem on the way, please see Mrs. McNeill or one of your counselors as soon as possible so we can help ensure things are handled before escalating to a bigger issue. NAME CALLING, USE OF PROFANITY, OR PICKING ON OTHERS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AT ANY POINT IN TIME FOR ANY REASON.

## **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY/HONOR CODE**

It is the desire of the North Moore High School Faculty and Administration to prepare you for success in the future academic and career endeavors that each of you will seek after graduation. Honesty and integrity is required of all colleges and employers. Cheating/Plagiarism (via in person, phone, text, web search or other electronic or in person communication) will not be tolerated in any class here at North Moore. Sharing of papers, answers and documents electronically or copying and pasting from any other student or source is considered cheating/plagiarism. If administration deems necessary, your history of work within your school account, sharing etc. can always be requested and pulled.

There will be NO WARNINGS. As high school students, you are old enough to understand what is expected and how even the “perception” of cheating or dishonesty is not something to be involved with at any point in time. Your character and reputation as a student who represents “The Mustang Way”-RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, and INTEGRITY is something you should protect.

- In ALL CLASSES there are to be NO CELL PHONES out at any point in time on test days-before, during or after the test. Phones are not to be used as calculators during testing. If you need a calculator for your test, the teacher will provide one. Phones should never be visible in class unless you are instructed by your teacher to get them out. Phones that are out are to be collected, without warning and an administrator will be called to come pick it up for holding until the end of the day.
- NO TALKING will be allowed once the test has started. All students are to remain silent until the last test has been submitted and testing session completion has been ANNOUNCED BY TEACHER.
- If you have a cell phone out or are talking at any point during a test, your test will be collected (or ended if on Chromebook) and you **will earn** a 0 for that test. While it is certainly possible that you could be looking at the time on your phone or talking about practice after school with your neighbor, others around you, including your teacher, are unable to know what is actually on your phone or what your actual words are when quietly talking. For this reason, it is important that the above rules are taken seriously since even the perception of cheating is not an atmosphere that we want fostered within our school.

## **6401- Integrity MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY**

- Students shall not cheat, lie, plagiarize, falsify notes or other documents, or provide false information to school officials with regard to any report card, attendance matter, grades or progress reports, discipline matters or any other school business.
- Cheating is producing academic work by means of dishonesty or deceit.
- Plagiarism is copying the language, structure, or idea of another and representing it as one’s own work.
- Falsification is the verbal or written statement of any untruth, including forged signatures or other forgeries.
- Students should also refer to the Acceptable Use of Electronic Media Policy ([3252/4521/5451](#)) for rules governing integrity and the use of electronic resources

## Consequences for Academic Dishonesty

Elementary	Middle School	High School
In-school disciplinary action and possible zero on assignment	In-school disciplinary action up to 5 days OSS and possible zero on assignment	In-school disciplinary action up to 10 days OSS and possible zero on assignment

### Road Map for Testing and Accountability in NC

**ALL exams (EOC, CTE, & teacher-made) will count as 20% of the final grade and will impact each student's final grade for course credit**

**End-of-Course Tests** (grades 9-11)  
Math I, Math III, Biology, English II

**CTE Post-Assessments in all Career Technical Courses**  
Given to all in Career Technical Education Classes at the end of both semesters

**SAT and ACT College Admission Tests**  
North Moore School College # 343-325  
[www.sat.collegeboard.com](http://www.sat.collegeboard.com)  
[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

**AP Exams**  
Given during the month of May  
ALL students enrolled in AP Courses are **REQUIRED** to take the AP Exam for each course.

### **EOC COURSE PREPARATION/REGISTRATION**

1. All students are required to take the NC End of Course Test for Math 1, Math 3, English 2, and Biology.
2. Colleges not only look at the final grade in the course; in addition, they look at the level achieved on the EOC- with a level 4 and 5 being considered College and Career Ready and a level 3 being proficient. Levels 1 and 2 are not considered grade level proficient in the course.
3. In order to ensure our students are able to achieve at the highest level on their EOCs and have transcripts which provide them the best opportunity for college acceptance, we will use EVAAS Data (which uses all EOG/EOC data from grade 3) to appropriately place students into Foundational Courses as needed.
4. Students who are not predicted to make at least a level 3 on the EOC will be placed into a course to support foundational skills prior to taking their required EOC course.
  - Prior to Math 1, students not projected to pass the EOC will be registered to take **Foundations of Math** (much like pre-algebra which preceded Algebra 1 years ago) which counts as a math credit in the four required math courses needed to graduate. Students seeking four year college admission are encouraged to take an additional math class beyond Math 3.

- Prior to Biology, those not projected to pass the EOC will be placed into **Foundations of Biology** (a local science elective designed to provide foundational biology information) which will count as a science elective. For students who need Foundations of Biology, the science pathway would be as follows:
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Earth/Environmental Science 10<sup>th</sup> Foundations of Biology and Biology 11<sup>th</sup> Physical Science OR Chemistry
- 5. All students will have the opportunity to double up and take more than one math or science course a year should they desire to earn additional credits within a department.

## **EXAM POLICY**

All students are required to take the State EOC and CTE Post-Assessments. Teacher-made exams will be taken by all students unless they meet the exemption criteria below. Final Exams count as 20% of a student's final course average for all classes and will be calculated as is into the final grade for course credit. All Final Exams will now impact the final average of each class-meaning it could pull the grade to a failing grade if the final exam grade is low. Please make every effort to stay on top of your course work and be prepared for final exams.

Students may exempt from final teacher made exams if they meet the following criteria:

1. Have a final grade of A with 3 or less absences
2. Have a final grade of B with 2 or less absences
3. Have a final grade of C with 0 absences

Students who wish to take the exam to better their grade or to challenge themselves will be permitted to do so.

## **STUDENT FEES**

Activity	\$10.00
Chromebook	\$25.00
Art:	\$10.00
Band/Chorus/Orchestra	\$10.00
Science	\$10.00
Math	\$10.00
Theater	\$10.00
Graduation	\$25.00
Parking	\$50.00
Drivers Ed	\$65.00

**There is no waiver for the \$25 Graduation Fee.**

**All course fees need to be paid to Mrs. Dunlap within the FIRST MONTH of each semester.**

**Seniors orders from Jostens must be paid before participating in graduation exercises. PLEASE be careful not to order more than you can easily afford! Seniors who order and are unable to participate in graduation will not receive a refund from Jostens.**

**Fees for Chromebook, parking and graduation are non-refundable. Parking Permits must be purchased prior to the first day of parking on campus to prevent towing. In the event that you lose parking**

privileges or Chromebook privileges for the year, or are unable to graduate; your fee will not be refunded.

**Note:** Fees may be paid on-line by clicking on the link on the homepage of the North Moore Website. [www.ncmcs.org/nmhs](http://www.ncmcs.org/nmhs) A form requesting a waiver for fees is available in the front office and must be returned with your free/reduced lunch form approval from Child Nutrition.

\*Students with unpaid fees will not be allowed to participate in Prom, Graduation or other activities as deemed appropriate by administration.

## STUDENT POLICIES AND EXPECTATIONS

### **STUDENT DISCIPLINE**

**“To whom much is given, much is expected”.** As a student at North Moore you are given the privilege of a morning break, an open lunch and an afternoon break. These are periods of time that you are free to visit with friends, use your cell phones and take a break. Please understand that in order for us to be able to have these periods of freedom it is imperative that we all as a school family use the time wisely and appropriately. No horseplay, bothering others, or going outside of the designated area for students.

- During breaks all students are expected to remain in buildings or in the main courtyard which makes a square around the Media Center. Students are not to return to the parking lot.

### **IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION**

In order to reduce the dropout rate in the Moore County School District, the Board of Education has established an In-School Suspension (ISS) Program at each high school in the district. The school principal can assign a student to ISS in lieu of Out of School Suspension as needed for infractions of Board policies and school rules. Attendance in ISS does not count as an absence from school. Misbehavior in ISS results in further disciplinary action. If a student in ISS leaves early, that day missed in ISS must be made up.

### **SUSPENSIONS**

Normal suspensions will not exceed ten days. A student or parent may request assignments from teachers, through the assistant principal, for days out of school while suspended. **An Out of School Suspension will mean you are ineligible for all dances and PROM for the remainder of the year.**

### **PRIVILEGES**

Student misconduct may result in the loss of the following privileges: driving privileges, bus transportation, locker use, participation and attendance in extracurricular activities, or other privileges as determined by the administration.

School counseling is an integral part of our discipline process. Students are referred to school counseling for individual/small group counseling as part of each In-School/Out-of-School Suspension.

**\*\*Please refer to the Moore County Schools website for a complete list of rules, as determined by the MCS Board of Education.**

# Dress Code

## Clothing

- Clothing that advertises a product illegal for students or depicts vulgar or obscene statements, pictures or remarks must not be worn to school.
  - Shorts, skirts, skorts and dresses must be a least mid-thigh
  - Pants and shorts must be sized appropriately, including waist and length, with no undergarments exposed
  - Students must wear clothing that covers their skin from chest to mid-thigh with opaque (non-see-through) fabric in front, back, and on the sides.
  - Heavy chains of any type, i.e., wallet chains, chain belts, etc., are not permitted
  - **Any garment or accessories that disrupt(s) the instructional program or may inflict harm are not to be worn to school**
  - Appropriate neckline must be evident at all times/No excessive cleavage
  - Footwear must be appropriate for school activities
  - Any attire that is prohibited by Rule 25, Gang and Gang-Related Activity, may not be worn to school
  - Many things that are cute for the beach are not school appropriate. If you have to question or wonder if it is okay, save it for wearing outside of school :)
  - **Head coverings (e.g., including but not limited to caps, hats, bandanas, skullcaps and hoods) are prohibited in school buildings. However, students may wear head coverings in the school building as an expression of sincerely held religious belief (e.g., hijabs or yarmulkes) or to reasonably accommodate medical or disability-related issues (e.g. protective helmets).**

## DRESS CODE FOR SCHOOL DANCES IN THE STUDENT UNION

1. No athletic shorts. If worn, shorts must be nice, dressy type shorts that are at least fingertip length.
2. Nice shirts, sweaters or blouses may be worn.
3. Nice jeans may be worn, but may not be soiled, ripped or tattered.

**Individual schools may adopt more specific dress codes, consistent with this policy. Reasonable accommodations shall be made on the basis of religious beliefs or medical conditions. For a first offense, students will be given a warning and required to change clothes.**

## PROM POLICY

- Juniors and Seniors may attend and invite one guest
- All guests must be approved through the front office and a guest request form must be filled out and approved before tickets may be purchased
- Guests must be at least 9th grade but **may not be older than 20 years of age** on the date of the prom
- Students who miss more than 8 days in a semester are not eligible for prom
- Students who have had out of school suspensions **are not** eligible for prom
- All fees must be paid prior to purchasing prom tickets
- Tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable (unless the event is canceled)



**6801 PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES  
-MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY**

**Participation in extracurricular school activities is a privilege, not a right.** Appropriate student behavior, school attendance, academic performance and a balance of unpaid fees and charges in excess of \$50 that has not been waived or reduced may be considered in determining student eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities and events. When any student is charged with a criminal offense, the student's principal shall investigate the circumstances of the charge to determine whether the student may continue to participate in extracurricular school activities. The principal may make his determination before the student's criminal case reaches final disposition. Adopted: November 27, 1995

**NMHS TARDY POLICY**

Entering class late is a disturbance to the entire class and a distraction from the beginning of the lesson for that period. **\*\*Tardy counts start over each 9 week grading period.**

**1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Unexcused Tardy:** Student signs and dates the teacher's tardy book. \*Students should have crossed the threshold of the door by the bell but may still be heading to their seat.\* Anyone who enters class after the bell for 1<sup>st</sup> period needs to sign the teacher's tardy book and report to the front office to sign in and receive a note.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Unexcused Tardy:** Teacher will report to Administration. Student is required to report to ISS for both breaks and lunch for 1 day – Call to parent by Administrator

**4<sup>th</sup> Unexcused Tardy:** Student is required to report to ISS for both breaks and lunch for 2 days – Call to parent by Administrator

**5<sup>th</sup> Unexcused Tardy:** Student is required to report to ISS for both breaks and lunch for 3 days – Call to parent by Administrator

**6<sup>th</sup> and Higher Unexcused Tardy** Students will begin receiving full days of ISS– Call to parent by Administrator and **loss of parking pass for the rest of 9 weeks.**

**\*\*Students who drive themselves to school and are habitually tardy will have their parking privileges taken away. The big yellow bus comes by everyone's house and is on time each day. If you can't be responsible enough to drive yourself to school and arrive on time, you will not be allowed to have a parking permit and drive to school.\*\*\*\***

**CELL PHONES:**

Per MCS Policy "No student shall use or display a phone or other personal device." Therefore, cell phones are not to be visible inside of classrooms at any point in time. Cell phones will not be used for music, be out to be charged, or be visible for any reason once a student enters the door of the classroom. NMHS students MAY use their phones during both the morning and afternoon breaks and at their lunch. **Parents need to be aware that students WILL NOT be able to answer calls or respond to texts until breaks or lunch.** Should a parent have an emergency and need to reach their child, they may call our front office at 910-464-3105. Should a student need to call a parent at a time other than break or lunch, they need to come to the front office with a note from the classroom teacher to use the office phone.

**CONSEQUENCE OF HAVING PHONE OUT OTHER THAN BREAK OR LUNCH (this means no going to bathroom and using phone in the hall): Any visible phone will be taken by the teacher and turned into an administrator. A parent will be required to come to school to meet with the student and administrator prior to the phone being returned.** After a student has lost their phone the 3rd time they will not be allowed to have it on campus. Drivers will need to leave them in their cars and those that ride the bus will need to turn them into the front office each day so they can be stored in the vault until after dismissal. Repeat offenders will be prohibited from having a device on school premises at all, and additional consequences such as ISS or OSS may be applied. \* Refusal to give a phone to the teacher if it is out will result in a minimum of a one day suspension. \*\*If a parent is unable to make it to school to pick up the phone, the phone will be stored securely in the school vault until the parent is able to come in for a conference.

### **BATHROOM POLICY:**

In an effort to ensure all students are present, engaged, undisturbed and focused on the daily lesson of each classroom, **there will be no leaving the classroom for the first 60 minutes of each 90 minute class.** This allows time for the teacher to complete the direct and guided instruction and will mean students who have an occasional need to visit the restroom during class time may do so during the last 30 min when they are working in small groups or independently. Students have a 10 minute morning break, a 30 min lunch and a 10 min afternoon break, which provides ample opportunity to visit the bathroom multiple times daily. Of course, we know emergencies arise every now and then and sometimes students get sick, but this is the day to day policy and we would expect students to not have emergencies more than once or twice a semester.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Moore County students are required to attend school by legislative mandate known as the North Carolina Compulsory School Attendance Law and by Moore County School Board policies and regulations. Following are pertinent excerpts from each of these guidelines. Students must attend school until their 16th birthday.

### **ABSENCES/DAYS MISSED/CLASS CREDIT- READ THOROUGHLY!!**

According to school law, students must be present in class the equivalent of 82 days to be considered for credit. When absent, much instructional material is missed and making up time does not make up for the loss of instruction. Therefore, it is very important that students adhere to 8 days maximum absence. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

- **A student cannot be absent for more than 8 days in a semester and still receive credit.**
- These 8 days are allowed for routine doctor, dentist, orthodontist, common illnesses such as strep, flu, etc. If a student has missed 5 days (without a note from doctor/dentist for each) and then gets the flu and misses 4, he/she WILL NOT be granted a waiver unless all of the previous 5 days were documented with doctor or dentist notes. LESSON=do not miss days if you do not have to. If you get to the end and get sick or have multiple appointments that put you over, you will not be granted a waiver. Waivers are ONLY GRANTED for those who have doctor notes for ALL absences.
- Excused and unexcused absences ALL count towards the 8 day maximum. THERE WILL BE NO SATURDAY SCHOOL and NO MAKE UP TIME WITH TEACHERS. ONLY STUDENTS WITH SEVERE MEDICAL OR OTHER ISSUES WHO ARE GRANTED WAIVERS WILL BE APPROVED TO MAKE UP TIME DURING THE YEAR. ALL OTHER STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE AN FF UNTIL THEY ATTEND SUMMER SCHOOL AND MAKE UP TIME. The principal, acting as the board appointed designee, shall approve or disapprove any student's absences in excess of the equivalent of eight days.

- STUDENTS MISSING MORE THAN EIGHT DAYS IN ANY SEMESTER WITHOUT AN APPROVED WAIVER WILL BE **INELIGIBLE FOR PROM.**
- SENIORS MISSING MORE THAN 8 DAYS WILL BE **INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION EXERCISES IN JUNE** UNTIL TIME IS MADE UP AT TWILIGHT SCHOOL. IF TIME IS NOT MADE UP BEFORE GRADUATION, SENIORS WILL NEED TO MAKE UP TIME IN SUMMER SCHOOL TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN AUGUST GRADUATION AND RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMA.

Students with lawful/EXCUSED absences are given an opportunity to make up work missed provided arrangements are made with their teachers within three school days after their return. It is the students' responsibility to periodically check with the school concerning their absences. Should the students or parents note a possible discrepancy, they should contact the appropriate administrator immediately.

## **PROM**

**Students who are assigned OSS at any point in the year-1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, have missed more than 8 days in first or second semester, or who have unpaid fees will not be allowed to purchase prom tickets or attend the event.**

## **MAKE-UP WORK POLICY**

When a student is absent it is his/her responsibility to ask the teacher for make-up work or schedule a time to retake a missed test. Students will have 3 school days to turn in any missed work for full credit. All missed work must be submitted prior to the 4 week Interim Report distribution date following the missed days. Once Interims are distributed, all missed work from the prior 4 1/2 weeks will be posted as a 0 and will not be accepted. \*\*We always work with those who have medical or other extenuating circumstances.

## **INTERVENTION**

Classroom teachers will inform students and parents at the 3 day, 5 day and 8 day absence mark. Students who have medical issues need to see the principal to apply for a waiver as soon as they realize one will be needed. Once a waiver is granted, the student will work directly with teachers to make up lost instructional time before or after school. Time must be made up with the teacher with whom time is missed and will be documented by the teacher and turned into the office for the student once all time is made up.

## **AUTOMOBILE REGULATIONS**

### **PARKING PERMITS AND DRIVING PRIVILEGES:**

When students of the Moore County School District drive, the automobile is to be parked in the area designated by the principal. **This area is "off limits" to students during the school day and the student is not permitted to move the automobile until school is dismissed unless so authorized by the principal.** Decals, bumper stickers, flags, etc. are subject to review by the school administration and may be ordered to be removed. All students who bring and/or park on any Moore County School District property a motor vehicle of any description, no matter how registered, may be searched where reasonable suspicion exists. The student must provide upon first request, all such keys necessary to unlock the vehicle.

**Parking permits** cost \$50.00 each for the full school year. Applications for the parking permit may be obtained in the main office. The parking permit should hang from the rear view mirror and should be moved to whatever vehicle is being driven to campus. **Failure to display a valid parking permit from the rear view mirror will result in a ticket and locked tire.** Any reckless driving, speeding or irresponsible actions on the part of the student driver may result in revocation of driving privileges.

The following regulations will be enforced:

**All students parked in the back lot must have a permit with a copy of license and vehicle information on file in the front office. We will have a grace period of 15 days from the first day of school for purchase of passes. Beginning Monday, September 18th, cars will be checked for passes throughout the day. Cars without passes will be ticketed \$10 and have a locked boot placed on the tire. Drivers will have to visit the front office to pay their ticket before the boot will be removed. Drivers will need to purchase a parking permit before driving to school again.**

1. All students who qualify for driving to school must park in the properly designated area assigned to students which is the BACK PARKING LOT ONLY.
2. Students must exit the parking lot immediately upon arrival to school and are not to be in cars or in parking areas until finished with their school day. NO returning to their vehicle during the day.
3. Once students finish their classes and leave the premises they are not to return to bring food or other items to friends. They may return for sports practices after school.
4. Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas or vehicles without valid parking permits will be subject to being towed away at the owner's expense. Additional disciplinary action deemed necessary and appropriate by the school administration may be given ranging from suspension from school and/or the revocation of driving privileges.
5. **VEHICLES PARKED ON SCHOOL PROPERTY ARE LIABLE FOR SEARCH BY SCHOOL AUTHORITIES AT ANY TIME DEEMED NECESSARY.** Automobile privileges may be revoked if rules are violated; this includes reckless driving on or near the campus.
6. Students are not allowed in the student parking area from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. daily. When a student is caught leaving the school campus without permission, the driver and all passengers in the automobile may lose their driving privileges for the remainder of the year in addition to other disciplinary actions deemed appropriate.
7. **DO NOT USE THE BUS ENTRANCE FOR STUDENT PARKING OR STUDENT DROP-OFF OR PICK UP.**
8. Student pick-up and drop-off area is located in front of "A" building. If you are a student who leaves early and returns to pick up another student at 3:30, you MUST pick them up in the front of campus.
9. **SEAT BELTS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES ON THE SCHOOL CAMPUS AS REQUIRED BY NC STATE LAW.**
10. Parking permits are non-transferable and may not be shared with another person. Allowing another student to use your permit will result in permanent loss of driving privileges as well as other disciplinary action.
11. Students caught speeding, driving recklessly or squealing tires on campus will be subject to losing their parking privilege.

**DRIVING PERSONAL VEHICLES TO NORTH MOORE HIGH SCHOOL IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT**

**SIGNING IN AND OUT**

Should you come with valid permission from your parent to leave school early, you are required to sign in and out in the main office.

**Sign-In Procedure:**

1. Excused, unexcused, lawful and unlawful absences due to students signing in late will be determined by Moore County Board of Education Policy.

2. All students arriving at school before the end of the first class of the day should use the main entrance and report directly to the office to sign in.
3. Students missing more than half of the class time will be counted absent for the class period.
4. **Students that arrive at the beginning of 2<sup>nd</sup> block will be counted absent from 1<sup>st</sup> period, but would still be, officially, tardy to school since that student was not here at the beginning of the school day (8:30 a.m.). If you do not come to first period, you MUST sign into school when you get to campus-you can not just report to the next class.**
5. Students on late buses will not be counted absent. An announcement will be made from the main office saying when the bus arrives.
6. Students who sign-in late must have a note from their parent or legal guardian.
7. Students who are at school for half of the day will be counted present for the day; however they will be marked absent in any class they miss.

### **Sign-out Procedures:**

1. According to the Moore County Board of Education policy, a student will not be permitted to leave school during the school day unless a parent/guardian comes for the student. Written excuses to leave school early may be accepted at the judgment of the principal and must include a number where parent can be reached to verify.
2. In accordance with this policy, a student at North Moore who plans to sign-out must have their PowerSchool records up-to-date with all persons authorized to pick up the student from school.
3. North Moore will not allow students to check out for lunch or after 3:00 p.m. If a student needs to leave during those times, they must provide a doctor's note or appointment card for proof at the beginning of the school day.
4. **Students who check out early or are called out by a parent may not return to campus unless they have a note from a doctor, dentist, court etc.**

**Once a student arrives on campus, he/she must have parent or principal permission in order to leave; this includes the time after the student arrives prior to the start of first block. Leaving without signing out properly will result in disciplinary action and will be considered "skipping".**

### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

Early dismissal notes should be presented to the main office before school or during the exchange of classes. It shall be the responsibility of the parent/student to furnish the school with the excuse explaining his/her request prior to the period when the dismissal will occur. **The note should contain the student's full name, reason for request, parent signature and a phone number where the parent can be reached for verification of early dismissal. The main office will verify the note and the student will be given written verification of the permission for dismissal.**

The student must present this written verification to the teacher prior to the beginning of the affected class. Classes will not be interrupted to call students for dismissal over the PA. Students must return to the main office to sign out before leaving campus.

Students are expected to attend all classes each day until 3:30 p.m. of the school year except for medical and family emergencies. To be counted present for a class, you must be in attendance at least 46 out of 90 minutes. To be counted present for the school day, you must be present at least 50% of the entire school day. In case of an emergency or unusual need to leave campus before the end of the school day, students should follow the procedures described.

Parent's requests for a student's early dismissal will not be an excuse for an absence. Upon verification of an early dismissal, the student will be permitted to leave campus. It shall be the responsibility of the parent/student to furnish the school with an excuse explaining his/her absence resulting from the early dismissal.

**Students who leave campus during the school day will only be allowed to return to school if they present doctor, dentist, court documentation etc. to the front office when they return. This applies even when you are called out by a parent. No return to school without a note.**

**Only those persons listed in PowerSchool will be permitted to sign out that student.** Please be sure your student's record is updated.

### **POLICY FOR VISITORS**

1. All visitors must report immediately to the office upon arrival on campus and register. A visitor's badge will be given to the visitor to wear. When leaving, the badge will be turned in to the main office.
2. North Moore High is under the jurisdiction of the Moore County Schools Police Department.
3. Students are not allowed to have visitors at school at any time unless prior arrangements are made with the principal.
4. Parents are encouraged to visit the school. As with all visitors, they must obtain permission to be on school property and sign into the main office upon arrival.
5. Unauthorized visitors to the campus will be handled according to the laws of the State of North Carolina. This includes arrest and prosecution for trespassing.
6. Visitors are not allowed in the teacher parking lot or student parking lot before or after school.

### **LOCKERS**

1. Lockers will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.
2. A fee of \$2.00 will be charged for the use of a locker and needs to be paid in the front office.
3. Only one student will be assigned a locker and given the locker combination. There will be no sharing of lockers.
4. The assigned student will be responsible for damages to the lock or the locker. Do not replace a school lock with your own lock.
5. Lockers are expected to remain locked at all times.
6. The school will not be held responsible for any items removed or stolen from the locker.
7. Jamming the lock with paper, coins, etc., or defacing the locker in any way will result in loss of locker for the remainder of the school year.
8. The student will pay for any repairs needed to the locker due to student negligence.
9. **Any locker may be searched at the discretion of the school administration.**
10. All lockers will be cleaned out immediately following the last exam.
11. Students who violate locker policy will lose their locker privileges for the remainder of the school year.

### **SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS/STUDENT TEACHERS**

Our school is fortunate in having capable people to help us. A substitute teacher is an important visitor whose impression of our school will be carried into the community. Let us be certain that these are good impressions by being polite and helpful to the teacher.

### **CLOSED CAMPUS**

North Moore High School operates under a closed campus policy. Students are not allowed to leave campus for any reason including lunch unless prescribed checkout procedures are followed. Disciplinary action will result if a student leaves campus without an early dismissal issued by personnel in the main office of NMHS. We

solicit the cooperation of all students and parents in this matter. If a student does leave campus, an early dismissal note issued by the receptionist in the front office is the “pass” for leaving. Students may be suspended for up to three days and parking privileges revoked when leaving campus without a properly issued early dismissal note. **Students who leave campus during the school day will only be allowed to return to school if they present doctor, dentist, court documentation etc. to the front office when they return. This applies even when you are called out by a parent. No return to school without a note.**

## **RESTRICTED AREAS OF THE CAMPUS**

1. **Upon arrival at school, students are to remain on campus until officially dismissed.**
2. Students are not allowed in parking lots or surrounding areas before school or during school hours. When a student arrives early, he/she should lock his/her vehicle and leave the parking lot immediately.
3. Students are not allowed in the faculty restrooms, work rooms, or lounge areas. They are not allowed to use microwaves in these areas.

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION - REQUEST**

Various organizations, including the Armed Forces, may request the names and addresses of juniors and/or seniors. If you do not wish to have your personal information given out, please submit to the main office a request in writing to have your child’s information kept confidential to all outside sources.

## **ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

All students who enroll at North Moore High School must have the following:

1. A parent or legal guardian must be present unless student is 18 or older
2. One proof of residency with a custodial parent for the North Moore attendance zone
3. Birth certificate
4. North Carolina Record of Immunization
5. Proof of legal guardianship (if applicable)
6. Transcript or report card from former school
7. Social Security number, if available

## **WITHDRAWAL POLICY**

All students who withdraw from North Moore must do the following:

1. All **books** must be returned and **fees** must be paid before students can be officially withdrawn.
2. Students should pick up their withdrawal forms from school counseling and begin withdrawal procedures two days prior to leaving school.
3. The original form must be returned to school counseling to complete the withdrawal process.

## **DROPPING A COURSE**

Students will not be allowed to withdraw from any course and enter a new course after the first 10 days of each semester. Withdrawal from a course after the first 10 days will result in a withdrawal fail being posted to the student transcript.

## **BETA CLUB**

Students with a weighted GPA of 4.00 or higher will be invited to join Beta Club in the fall of their junior year. Students must maintain a 4.00 GPA in order to remain a Beta member. Honors and Advanced Courses which carry more weight on the overall GPA will increase your likelihood of becoming eligible for Beta.

## SENIOR HONOR CORD DISTRIBUTION:

To qualify for honor cords, a senior must be in grade level courses and possess a weighted cumulative GPA of 4.00 or higher. Cumulative GPAs are tabulated and checked at the end of each semester their senior year. Cords will be distributed to seniors in early May for senior pictures and are based on the student's GPA at the close of first semester senior year.

All student recognitions will be based on the following:

Weighted GPA	Designation
4.59 or higher	<i>Summa cum laude</i>
4.42-4.58	<i>Magna cum laude</i>
4.25-4.41	<i>Cum laude</i>

## GRADUATION EXERCISES

In order for a senior to participate in the graduation exercises at the end of the academic school year, he/she must meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 22 units, meeting all Moore County and/or state requirements for a diploma. Please refer to the diploma requirements check-off to ensure you schedule your classes to ensure you complete the diploma pathway you desire.
2. Sign check-out sheet to verify eligibility to graduate. (Early graduates must do this as well)
3. No final transcript or records will be sent for a senior who owes any fees.
4. Clearance of any fines/fees/books due before graduation exercises.
5. Must attend graduation rehearsal to participate in the graduation ceremony.
6. Must abide by the dress code for practices and the actual graduation exercise as set forth by the principal. The dress code is very specific and must be adhered to in order to walk across the stage at graduation. Dress pants, shirt, tie and dress shoes for boys; dresses, skirts, dress pants and dress shoes for girls. Girls should not wear a shirt that appears above the collar of the gown.
7. Only academic honor cords issued by the school to those seniors with 4.0 or higher cumulative GPA can be worn with the graduation cap, gown, tassel, and collar at graduation exercises. **Various clubs may give out cords at their banquets and these may be worn to Awards Day and Baccalaureate Service, but will not be allowed at Graduation- this ensures that those who have worked hard to be honor graduates are truly recognized and their accomplishment is easy to recognize by all.**
8. Nothing additional may be added to cap, gown or any part of the graduation attire. Students arriving the night of graduation with decorations of any kind added will not be able to walk in the ceremony.

## JUNIOR MARSHALS FOR GRADUATION EXERCISES

Marshals among the junior class will provide honorary duty at graduation exercises. The top twenty (20) in the junior class will serve as marshals at graduation. Class rank at grade level determined by rigorous curriculum as of the end of the first semester of the junior year will determine which twenty (20) juniors will serve as marshals at graduation exercises. GPA is not the exclusive indicator for this honorary position. If a student within the top 20 in the class **exemplifies poor citizenship, which includes OSS**, as determined by the principal, that student can be denied the privilege of being a Junior Marshal. Marshals will wear a sash provided by the school at graduation exercises. The individual with the highest rank among the top twenty (20)



juniors as set forth by class rank at the end of the first semester of the junior year will serve as the Grand Marshal at graduation exercises. Class rank is calculated on a cumulative grade point average based on the weighted grading scale.

## GRADING

Grading scales, final grades, and grade point averages shall be uniform throughout all district schools and in accordance with the following standards.

### A. Grading Scale

For grades 3-12, the grading scale shall be a standard numeric scale with a corresponding letter grade as follows:

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60-69

F = 0-59

### B. Final Grades

Final grades shall be calculated as follows:

- **Grades 9-12:**
  - For single semester courses, a student's final grade shall be determined based on the final exam (20% of the final grade) and the grade for each nine-week marking period (each marking period representing 40% of the final grade).

### C. Grade Point Average (GPA)

Students in grades 9 through 12 receive both an unweighted GPA that reflects no additional weighting for advanced courses and a weighted GPA that reflects additional quality points for advanced coursework. Honors, Advanced Placement, and Dual Enrollment classes are defined as follows and receive the weight reflected in the below tables:

- **Standard Courses:** Standard courses provide credit toward a high school diploma. Courses that do not fall into one of the other categories are considered standard courses. Standard courses are assigned quality points for the GPA calculation based on the standard 4.0 scale and do not receive additional weighted quality points.
- **Honors Courses:** Honors courses are more challenging than standard level courses and are distinguished by a difference in the depth and scope of work required to address the North Carolina Standard Course of Study. These courses are implemented consistent with the *North Carolina Honors Course Implementation Guide*. In addition to courses designated as "Honors," the following courses are also assigned Honors-level weighting: pre-calculus; non-AP/IB calculus; mathematics courses beyond the level of calculus; world language courses beyond the second-year level; and arts education courses meeting the standards for proficient and advanced dance, music, theatre arts, and visual arts. The weighting for Honors and Honors-level courses shall be one-half (.5) of a quality point.
- **Advanced Placement (AP)/International Baccalaureate (IB) Courses:** AP and IB courses are considered college-level as determined by the College Board or the International Baccalaureate program and are designed to enable students to earn high scores on the AP or IB test, potentially leading to college credit. The weighting for AP/IB courses shall be one (1) quality point.
- **Dual Enrollment Courses:** Dual enrollment courses are college courses, which may be delivered by a community college, public university or private college or university. Additional requirements for Dual

Enrollment and college-level courses are found in Policies 5541 (Dual Enrollment) and 5810 (Joint Enrollment of Students in Community Colleges or Technical Institutes). For courses approved in the *Comprehensive Articulation Agreement Transfer List* or taught at four-year universities and colleges, the weighting for such courses shall be one (1) quality point

### **HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION**

Homebound services must be documented by a physician. Three hours of instruction are provided each week. Homebound instruction is provided for those students who because of illness, accident, pregnancy, or congenital defect cannot, even with the aid of transportation, attend school for an extended period of time. For information, contact the school counseling office.

### **DETERMINING CLASS RANK**

Class rank is calculated on a cumulative grade point average based on the weighted grading scale. Please realize that honors classes and advanced placement classes are weighted classes and can affect your class rank and GPA.

### **TRANSCRIPTS**

All official transcripts are sent directly to colleges, employers, and schools. The first official transcript will be sent at no cost to the student. Each additional official transcript will cost \$14.00 per copy. Transcripts can be requested through the school counseling center.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS**

North Moore High School offers several clubs and organizations in which students can become involved. Active students are happy students. Being involved in clubs and organizations helps build self-confidence and responsible behavior. Involvement builds pride in your school as well as in yourself. Ask your teacher, counselor, or upperclassman about which clubs to join. You will not be sorry, for involvement is the key to success.

### **NEW CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS ON CAMPUS**

If a student or a group of students wish to establish a student oriented club or organization on campus, the principal must first approve. Prior to approval being given, a faculty sponsor must be secured by the students and approved by the principal, a set of bylaws or a club/organization constitution must be recommended and approved by the principal, and criteria must be established for club/organization membership that is non-discriminatory. Final approval of all of those criteria rests with the principal.

### **MEDIA CENTER POLICY**

The media center is open for students each school day from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Books are checked out for a two-week period and may be renewed. Reference books may be checked out overnight. Students may come to the media center before school, during lunch, or after school without specific permission. A student must bring a note from their teacher when visiting the media center during class. No food or drink is allowed in the media center.

## **FIRE DRILLS AND OTHER EVACUATION PLANS**

Each classroom teacher will review and post fire drills and other evacuation plans. To prevent a possible tragedy, we must all cooperate to ensure that everyone knows his proper route out of the building in case of evacuation. Students and teachers should walk and stay with assigned groups. Students and teachers should take personal possessions with them. Teachers will take their gradebooks/role sheets, turn off classroom lights, close the classroom door, and once outside will make sure students are no closer than 75 feet from the buildings on campus.

**NOTE:** Anyone found tampering with the fire alarm system will be subject to appropriate school discipline.

## **INSURANCE**

A limited scholastic accident insurance program is available to students. It covers students at school, traveling to and from school, or while participating in school-sponsored activities. See Mrs. Dunlap, bookkeeper, to purchase this insurance.

## **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Students are responsible for personal property brought to school. The school is not responsible for any property, items, etc. that are lost or stolen. Always keep your personal belongings with you. If you have items you do not wish to carry all day, a locker can be purchased from the front office for \$2.

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

All students are expected to use social media appropriately and represent The Mustang Way in all posts and exchanges. Taking pictures of or videoing any student or teacher without their permission will result in disciplinary action. **If you wouldn't want your grandma or preacher to see it, DON'T POST IT!!**

No student may be excused from an academic class to make a personal telephone call. The office phones are available for emergencies only. Students only use classroom phones with permission of the teacher.

Only verifiable emergency telephone messages will be delivered to students. Any student who places a 911 call on any of North Moore's phones will be dealt with severely.

## **CAFETERIA**

All students will receive free breakfast and lunch this year. Student accounts may also be monitored at [www.lunchprepay.com](http://www.lunchprepay.com). Returning users may log in with their previous information. New users need to follow the directions using the "new users" link in the left-hand menu. Students are to form lines leading into the cafeteria as directed by those supervising the lunchroom. Disciplinary action will be taken for anyone leaving trays or trash in the lunchroom area.

## **WAIVERS**

Fee waivers applications are available in the main office.

## **HEALTH RECORDS**

All students must provide the school with a NC Certificate of Immunization prior to admittance to class. New or transfer students have 30 days to comply with the state law. Failure to provide a NC Certificate of Immunization will result in the student being barred from classroom attendance.

## **MEDICATION POLICY**

Prescription drugs will be administered only by a school staff member upon receipt of the Medication Form. Over the Counter drugs will not be administered at school.

Students may not have prescribed medication or over the counter drugs in their possession during school or at school events.

In some rare instances, the school district, after reviewing individual situations, reserves the right to reject requests for the administration of any medication. All medicines must be in the original container.

### **Parent Responsibility-fill out medication request form in front office**

The school district needs your help with the following procedures: Complete the medication request form and bring the original prescribed medicine container to the school. Inform the school of any changes in the pupil's health or medication. Pick up any unused medication within one week of termination of treatment or last day of school, whichever comes first. Update medication form annually or as required. We suggest you take the medication request form to your doctor or clinic to be copied for future use.

### **School Responsibility**

Receive and review medication request form and original prescription container. Designate staff member(s) to administer medication, keep in a secured location(s), and complete a medication log. Communicate with parents and/or physicians on any problems or effects or administering medicine. Destroy medicine one week after termination of treatment or end of school year.

## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Q. Can my child take over-the-counter drugs at school (aspirin, Tylenol, cough syrup, etc.)?

A. No over the counter medications may be administered at school.

Q. What happens if I forget to send in the medication form?

A. The school cannot administer the medication without the signed form. You may go by the school and complete a form and give the school your original medicine container.

Q. Can my child carry his/her own medicines at school?

A. No. All medication is required to be kept in a locked area at the school. Your child's medication needs to be immediately given to the school staff member responsible for medication.

(Due to life threatening conditions, students may be given permission to carry and self-administer their medications. Permission will be granted only after careful review by the school district in consultation with your child's doctor.)

**\*\*\*\*The first dose of medication should be given at home.**

## **STUDENT RECORDS POLICY**

The District may disclose directory information, which may include names, addresses, telephone listings, and dates of birth, without first obtaining written parental permission.

The school will not release permanent record folders. Parents have the right to review the record folder upon request.

## **TEXTBOOKS**

Students are responsible to pay for lost or damaged textbooks each semester.

## **5450 INTERNET ACCESS 5450**

Internet access is available to students and instructional staff in the Moore County Schools. The Board provides this service in the belief that the Internet offers vast, diverse and unique educational resources, and in the hopes of promoting educational excellence through resource sharing, innovation and communication.

The smooth operation of the network depends on the proper conduct of the end users. Accordingly, all users must adhere to strict guidelines. These guidelines are contained in Board policies 5451 Appropriate Internet Use, 5452 Student Internet Use, 5453 Internet Use - Instructional Staff Responsibilities, and in any regulations adopted by the Superintendent. In general, these guidelines require efficient, ethical, and legal utilization of the network resources. If a Moore County Schools user violates any of these provisions, his or her access privileges may be revoked, and disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

Moore County Schools users will take full responsibility for their use of the Internet. The students and instructional staff will sign forms acknowledging that they have read and understand the applicable Board policies, that they will comply with these policies, and that they understand the consequences for violation of these policies. Parents will be required to sign a permission form to allow their children to access the Internet.

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## **ATHLETICS**

**\*\*A copy of the complete MCS Athletic Handbook may be accessed on the MCS and NMHS Websites\*\***

**Athletic Eligibility- YOU MUST PASS AT LEAST 3 CLASSES EACH SEMESTER AND BE PROMOTED TO THE NEXT GRADE AT THE END OF EACH YEAR TO BE ELIGIBLE**

In order to practice or participate in athletic contests, a player must satisfy all eligibility requirements as outlined in this section each year

### **Requirements for Participation**

1. Physical examination completed and on file in the athletic office.
2. Proof of insurance coverage on file in the athletic office.
3. Proof of all eligibility requirements relative to residence, age, attendance, and academics.

### **Eligibility Rules (NCHSAA)**

Any student is eligible at the school to which the local board of education assigns him/her within the administrative unit of residence. Residence of any student whether an adult or not, shall be deemed the same as that of his/her parents, or the living parent; and for athletic eligibility purposes, the term "residence" is to be construed in the same legal sense as the term "domicile." Under no circumstance can a family have two residences for eligibility purposes.

### **Attendance**

A player must have been in attendance for at least 85 percent of the previous semester. It is further required that a student be in school the day of the game in order to play in that game. Students must be in attendance for at least 50% of the school day in order to practice or be eligible to play. Students assigned to ISS or suspended are ineligible to practice or play until the day following their final day of ISS or suspension. At no time will student discipline be postponed in an effort to allow a student to participate in a game or practice. Students in ISS the day of a contest can dress but will not be allowed to participate.

## **Scholastic Requirements**

A student must have passed three out of four classes and be promoted with his/her class. At the end of each school year.

## **Physical Examination**

In order to be eligible for practice or participation, a player must receive a medical examination once every 365 days by a physician licensed to practice medicine.

## **Age**

No student may be approved for any athletic contest if his/her 19th birthday comes on/before August 31st of the school year.

## **Eight Semester Rule**

A student, upon first entering grade 9, is eligible for competition on high school athletic teams only during the succeeding eight consecutive semesters.

## **ATHLETIC VARIANCES**

If a student athlete quits or is suspended from an athletic team, he/she cannot participate on another team until the season is over for the team he/she quits or was suspended from. A coach must clear a student athlete for any money owed before he/she may participate in another sport.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO NC PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES**

All students who plan to attend a UNC Public University must meet the following requirements in order to gain possible admission:

- A high school diploma or equivalent
- Four units of credit in English, emphasizing grammar, composition, and literature.
- Four units of credit in mathematics, including: Math I, Math 2, Math 3, and a higher-level math
- World History, Civic Literacy, American History, Economics & Personal Finance.
- Three units of credit in science, including at least one unit in biology (life science), at least one unit of a physical science (for example: physical science, chemistry, physics), and an earth/environmental science course.
- Complete at least two units of credit of the same world language with a 3<sup>rd</sup> credit recommended.

\*\*Students have the opportunity to earn dual credits in their junior and senior year through SCC. College courses are offered on our campus, free of charge to qualifying juniors and seniors and count as high school and college credit. Students have the opportunity to take 8 SCC classes on the NMHS campus and may elect to take others on the SCC campus during junior and senior year-FREE. These classes will transfer to all community and university campuses within the UNC system as long as the student earns a C or better in the course. See your counselor early to ensure you have your classes planned out to be ready to take these FREE COLLEGE courses your junior and senior years!

## **PROMOTION/CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS BY GRADE LEVEL**

Each year of high school, students earn units of credit for courses. Students are classified by grade according to the number of units earned from year to year. Students are classified by grade level in the following manners:

**Requirements for Promotion to 10th Grade:** 6 credits, 2 of which must include:

- English I
- Math I or higher
- A core science course
- A core social studies course

**Requirements for Promotion to 11th Grade:** 13 credits, which must include an additional 2 core credits from:

- English II
- Math II or higher
- A core science course
- A core social studies course

*Additionally, the English II and Math I End-of-Course (EOC) tests must be taken by the end of the 10th grade year for students to be eligible for promotion.*

**Requirements for Promotion to 12th Grade:** 18 credits, which must include an additional 2 core credits from:

- English III
- Math III or higher
- A core science course
- A core social studies course

*Additionally, the Biology End-of-Course (EOC) tests must be taken by the end of the 11th grade year for students to be eligible for promotion.*

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

CONTENT AREA	NC FutureReady Course of Study	Occupational Course of Study
English	<b>4 credits</b> - English I, II, III, IV	<b>4 credits</b> - OCS English I, II, III, IV
Math	<b>4 credits</b> - Math I, II, III, and a fourth math aligned with students postsecondary plans - Fourth math options include: Math IV, Pre-Calculus Honors, Advanced Placement (AP) math courses, dual enrollment math courses through Career & College Promise (CCP), and courses approved through Career & Technical Education (CTE).	<b>3 credits</b> - Intro to Math - OCS Math I - Financial Management
Science	<b>3 credits</b> - Earth/Environmental Science - Biology - A physical science, such as Physical Science, Chemistry, or Physics	<b>2 credits</b> - Applied Science - Biology
Social Studies	<b>4 credits</b> - World History - Civic Literacy - American History - Economics & Personal Finance	<b>2 credits</b> - OCS Civic Literacy: Founding Principles - OCS American History

Health/Physical Education	<b>1 credit</b> - Health/Physical Education (9-12)	<b>1 credit</b> - Health/Physical Education
World Languages	Not required; however, <b>2 credits of the same</b> world language are required for admissions to the UNC system and many other colleges and universities.	Not required
Electives	<b>6 credits</b> <i>(12 credits required for MCS Distinguished Scholar diploma designation)</i>	<b>10 credits</b> - <b>6</b> Occupation Preparation courses ( to include at least one Occ Prep I, II, III, IV) - <b>4</b> Career Technical Education (CTE) elective courses aligned with students postsecondary goals
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22 credits</b>	<b>22 credits</b>

Students have the opportunity to earn one or more of the following diploma endorsements identifying a particular area of focused study: (1) Career Endorsement, (2) College Endorsement (two options) (3) North Carolina Academic Scholars Endorsement and/or (4) Global Language Endorsement. No endorsement is required to receive a diploma.

The North Carolina Academic Scholar designation and diploma endorsement that a student meets all requirements for the standard diploma, maintain an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher, and have earned credit for a fourth math aligned with admissions to the UNC system, chemistry or physics, and 2 units of the same world language.

C. Graduation exercises may be held within one week of the 180th school day of each school year. The time, date, and location of graduation exercises shall be approved by the Superintendent. The graduation program shall be approved by the principal.

D. Honor graduates may be designated by the principals on the basis of criteria established by the Superintendent. Recognition of honor graduates may be included in graduation programs.

E. Early graduation may be permitted on the basis of criteria approved by the Board upon recommendation by the Superintendent.

Legal Reference: [G.S. 115C-47](#), [-81](#), [-174.11](#), [-276](#), [-288](#), [-407.5](#); State Board of Education Policies GCS-C-003, GCS-L-003, GCS-L-007, GCS-M-001

**\*\*THIS HANDBOOK IS NOT MEANT TO BE INCLUSIVE OF ALL THE RULES OR REGULATIONS AT NORTH MOORE HIGH SCHOOL. OTHER REGULATIONS MAY BE ADDED AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE PRINCIPAL.**

**If you have questions, please contact Mr. Patterson.**