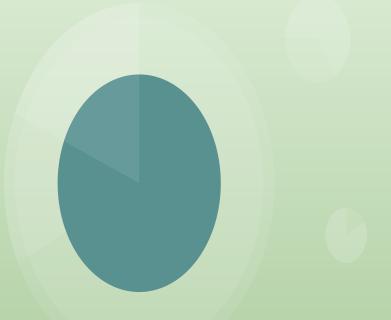


Freshman Parent Night Welcome to Morris Knolls High School September 9, 2024

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Principal's Welcome Mr. Ryan MacNaughton





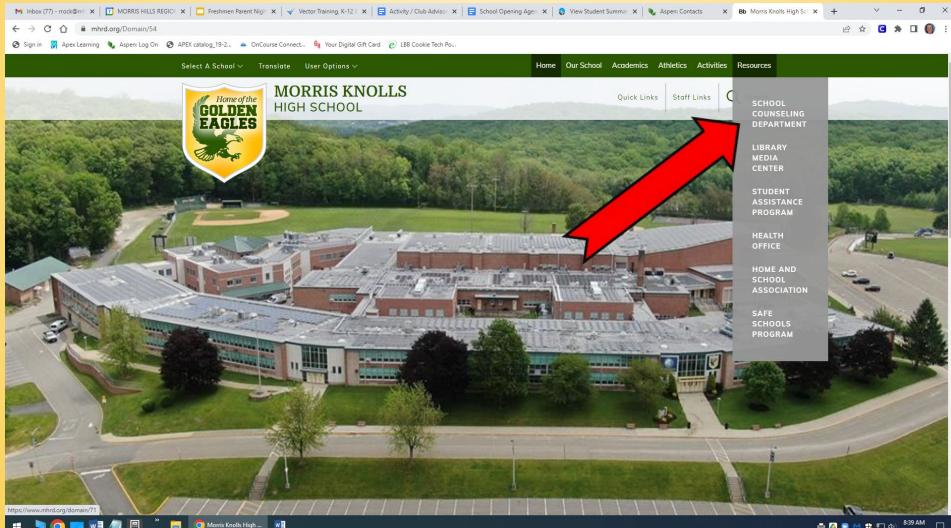


Morris Knolls Home and School Association

Please welcome Christie D'Asti - MKHSA President



The Morris Knolls High School Website **Morris Knolls High School Homepage**



School Counseling Department Home Page <u>MK School Counseling Homepage</u>

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Morris Knolls School Counseling Department

The Role of the School Counselor

The School Counseling Department is a comprehensive and innovative office which provides students in grades 9-12 with academic, personal, social, career and further education counseling. The department consists of our Supervisor of School Counseling, 8 School Counselors, our Student Assistance Counselor, and 2 Secretaries.



Who's Who in the School Counseling Office

Please click on the link below to view a photo of your School Counselor and obtain contact information.

Who's Who



Contact the School Counseling Department

To reach the School Counseling Office you may call 973-664-2223 or 973-664-2211

Name	Title	Ext.	Email
Stan Abromavage	Supervisor of School Counseling	2211	sabromavage@mhrd.org
Danielle Van Der Veken-Gorski	Student Assistance Counselor	2213	dvanderveken@mhrd.org
Elissa Merle	School Counselor	2214	emerle@mhrd.org
Victoria Resnick	School Counselor	2215	vresnick@mhrd.org
Christopher Roman	School Counselor	2216	croman@mhrd.org
Michele DePascale	School Counselor	2217	mdepascale@mhrd.org
Shari Russo	School Counselor	2218	srusso@mhrd.org
Ryan Shaffer	School Counselor	2219	rshaffer@mhrd.org
Rebecca Rock	School Counselor	2220	rrock@mhrd.org
Olivia Dunnigan	School Counselor	2255	odunnigan@mhrd.org

Student/Parent Handbook

Please become familiar with the information in the handbook available online: <u>Student Parent Handbook</u>

School Contact Information

 Graduation Requirements
 Dress Code

 Attendance and Academic Policies
 Marking Period Dates and Exams

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Morris Knolls Attendance Policy

Unexcused Absences

Too many <u>unexcused</u> absences may result in a loss of credit in a class.

The maximum allowable number of absences per class, before loss of credit:

*2 unexcused absences in Health

*4 unexcused absences in a half year course

*6 unexcused absences in PE *8 unexcused absences for a full year course

New Tardy Policy

Student Violation	Consequence
5 lates to the same class	The student receives a Central Detention held after school
10 lates to the same class	The student receives a Saturday Detention, and Seniors lose both Senior Privilege and Senior Parking for one month
15 lates to the same class	The student continues to lose both Senior Privilege and Senior Parking, and, in addition, 3 absences will be added to the student's attendance record. Students may lose credit at this point

Attendance Notes

- If a student is not feeling well enough to attend school parent/guardian should notify the Attendance Office at 973-664-2229 or email **attendancemk@mhrd.org**
- Any documentation related to an absence should be emailed to **attendancemk@mhrd.org**
- Teachers are taking attendance each block and may be sent to the attendance office depending upon arrival time

Graduation Requirements

In 4 years, students must earn 140 credits in order to graduate; APA students must earn 150 credits in order to graduate.

Full Year courses earn 5.00 credits / Semester courses earn 2.50 credits

Required Subjects	Credits Needed
English	20 Credits
World History	5 Credits
US History I & US History II	10 Credits
Mathematics	15 Credits (Alg 1, Geometry, Alg 2)
Science	15 Credits (Bio + Chem, Enviro Science, or Physics + 5 credits of additional lab science)
World Language	5 Credits
PE / Health	20 Credits
Personal & Financial Literacy	2.5 Credits
Visual / Performing Arts	5 Credits
21 st Century Life & Careers or Career / Tech Ed	5 Credits
Additional Electives	37.5 Credits

Study Skills - Homework

All students are encouraged to use an organization tool!

- Become familiar with Google Classroom to ensure you are aware of all assignments posted
 - Each teacher manages Google Classroom in their own way
 - Upon request parents can have access to their child's Google Classrooms
- Manage your time design a realistic, yet productive schedule
- Secure a "buddy" in each class with his/her phone number to call for missed assignments
- Try to complete homework assignments the day the homework is assigned
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- **Communicate with teachers** self advocate!

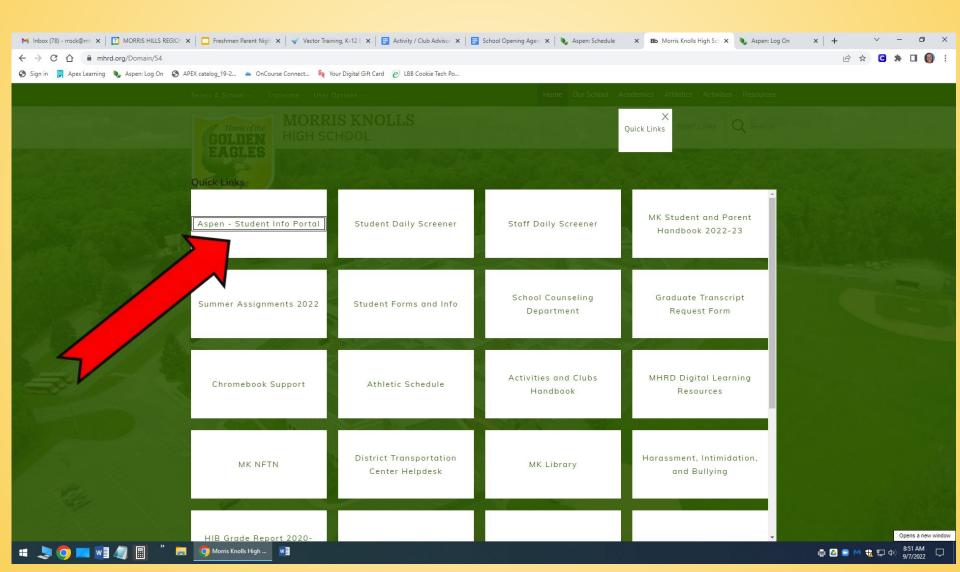


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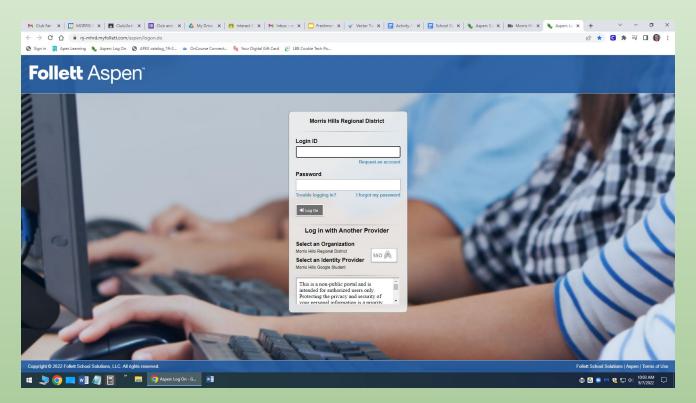
- Online student information system <u>ASPEN</u>
- Report Cards posted in Aspen
- Academic Counseling
- Strategies to improve performance
- Parent-student-teacher conferences
- Peer tutor coordination
- Attendance warning letters



How to Access ASPEN



Utilizing ASPEN



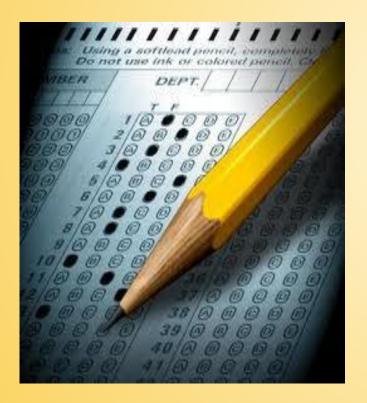


- Parent login ID and passwords were created during online registration
- Student login ID and temporary passwords are printed on student schedules
- Family Tab Credit summary, Grade Point Summary (transcript), Schedule, Notifications
- Academic Tab View Current Grades, E-Mail Teachers, Specific Class Links with Assignments
- Calendar Tab Day/Week/Monthly View
- Published reports Report Cards and Attendance Warning Letters



Freshmen will take:

• NJ State Testing in Math & Language Arts



NJ State Testing – To be determined

Digital PreACT 8/9– Grade 9 – October 23, 2024

New Jersey Graduation Assessment -To be determined for the Class of 2028

Testing

Optional testing for Juniors/Seniors: ACT SAT AP Exams ASVAB





CollegeBoard SAT



Scheduling

- Scheduling will begin in Jan. and conclude in March (11th Grade, 10th Grade, then 9th Grade)
- Students will meet individually with School Counselor
- Next year course requests based upon:
 - Teacher recommendations
 - Student performance
 - Post-secondary goals
 - Realistic & challenging expectations
- Parent support and awareness is crucial
- Please view course requests in Aspen
- Parent Waiver Forms (Math only) must be completed by June 1



Link to a list of all Clubs and Activities at Morris Knolls





All 9th grade students are eligible for fall and winter sports and clubs/activities





To be eligible for spring sports and activities, students must be passing at least 30 credits at the end of their first semester.





What is Naviance?

- An interactive link between school and home opening avenues of communication
- > Requires student and parent participation in each year of high school
- Aides students significantly during Junior and Senior year for college planning
- Useful tools that identify student strengths and areas of improvement for study habits

Parent Access to Naviance

Please complete the yellow "<u>Get Acquainted</u>" form tonight with parent/guardian email address(es). It is essential that parents and students have separate email addresses. If you have two or more students in our building we will link the accounts.

<u>MK Students Naviance Link</u>

<u>APA Students Naviance Link</u>

You will receive an email with a temporary password included. Please use this to login and then change your password.



Accessing Naviance

9th grade students will receive their Naviance password when they meet with their school counselor

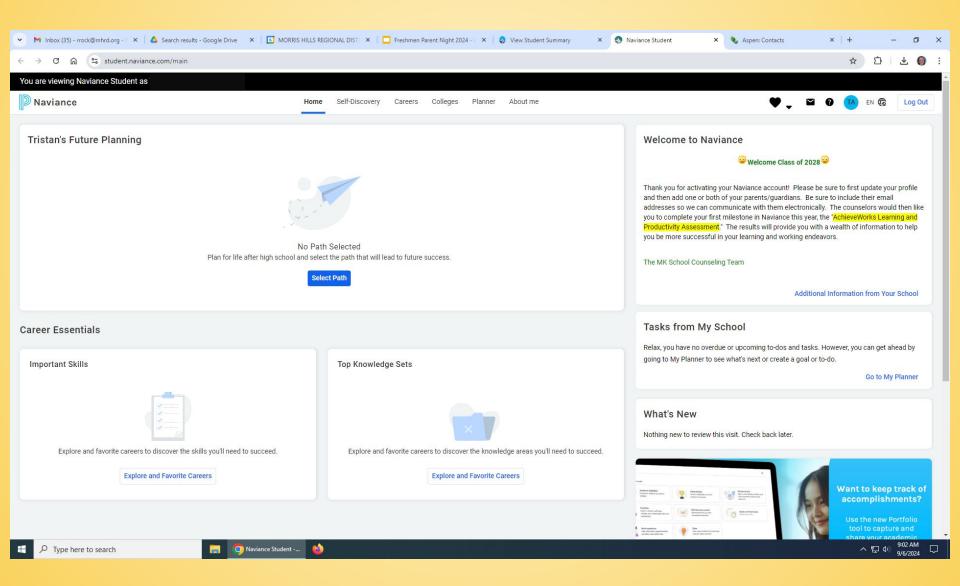
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Naviance Home Page/Welcome Screen



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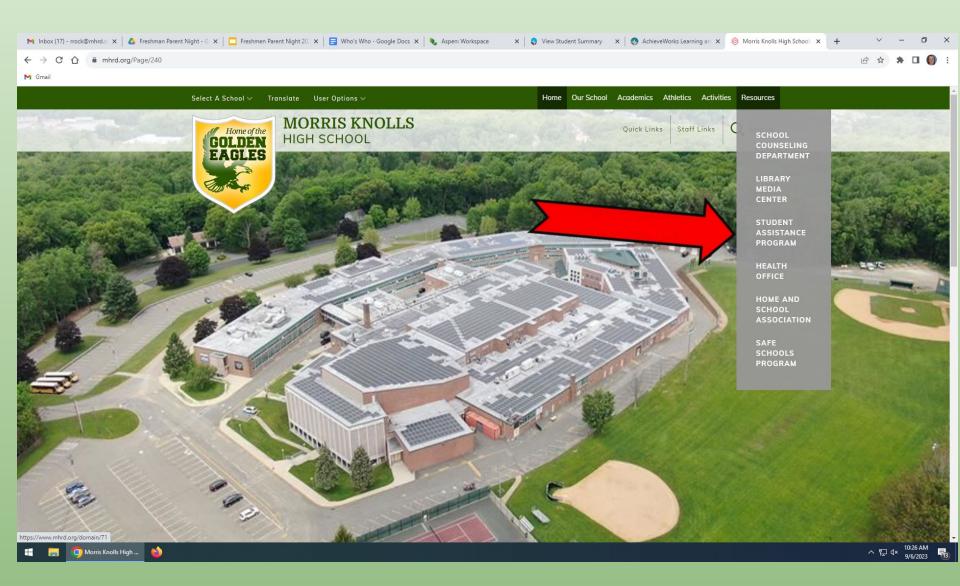
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	Think carefully about what truly affects how you learn and work.	
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Student Assistance Program Website



Student Assistance Program Website

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The Student Assistance Program

<u>Reasons to see</u> Mrs. Van Der Veken-Gorski

- Drugs & alcohol issues
- Memorandum of Agreement
- Emotional issues
- Problems with friends
- Problems with family
- Addiction in family
- Crisis counseling
- Mental health counseling
- Eating disorder counseling
- Grief counseling

Roles of a SAC

- Meet with student individually or in a small group setting
- Refer to outside provider
- Provide resources for students and parents
- Speak with parents
- Mediate problems with others
- Classes/Seminars
- Assemblies
- Anti-Bullying Specialist
- Medical/Mental Health 504 Plans

Random Drug Testing

Who is in the Random Drug Testing Pool?

- Athletes
- Club members
- Students who park on campus
- Volunteers

What happens if a student tests positive?

- Drug & alcohol assessment
- Meetings with the SAC
- No discipline if student complies with above two conditions
- Confidential

MK SAC website



THANK YOU for attending Freshman Parent Night

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