"CARRY ON"

Mission Statement: The mission of Mesa High is to establish high expectations, promote personal accountability, provide relevant learning experiences, create a motivational environment, achieve mastery of school, district and state standards.

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PROFILE

COMMUNITY

Mesa is a city of more than 439,000 residents, located 15 miles from Phoenix and is Arizona’s third largest city. Mesa Public Schools serves over 189,000 households with a student enrollment of over 64,000 students. Residents of the community are predominately middle class families living in an urban/suburban setting.

SCHOOL

Mesa High School is a four-year co-educational comprehensive high school with an enrollment of 3720 students. It is accredited by the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges. The student body is culturally diverse. At the beginning of this school year, there were 853 students in the senior class. The ethnic distribution of this school is:

- Hispanic: 63%
- Caucasian: 28%
- Asian: 1.5%
- African-American: 4%
- Native American: 2%
- Hawaiian: 0.6%
- Two or More: 0.9%

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE – CLASS OF 2016

- Four Year colleges: 26.0%
- Two-year junior college: 43.0%
- Specialized schools: 11.0%
- Total post-secondary education: 80.0%

FACULTY

In the 2017-2018 school year we have 183 certified classroom teachers. Also included are one principal, five assistant principals, two psychologists, and 8 certified student advisors.

CURRICULUM

INTERPRETATION OF TRANSCRIPT

GRADING POLICY
The following percentages determine the grading in regular classes

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Minimum progress (teacher discretion) .5 = D-
59% or below = 0.0 = F

The passing grade is D; a grade of C is necessary for college recommendation.

STANDARD DIPLOMA
(for graduating class of 2018)

English – 4 credits
Math (Algebra I, Geometry, Alg. II +) – 4 credits
Science (Biology, physical science + 1 Science) – 3 credits
Social Studies – 3 credits
Fine/Practical Arts – 1 credit
Physical Education – 1 credit
Electives – 6 credits
Total Credits required for graduation – 22

SCHOLASTIC DIPLOMA
(for graduating class of 2018)

English – 4 credits
Math (Algebra I, Geometry, Alg. II +) – 4 credits
Science (Biology, Chemistry & Advanced Science) – 3 credits
Social Studies – 3 credits
World Language (same language) – 2 credits
Fine/Practical Art – 1 credit
Physical Education – 1 credit
Electives – 4 credits
Total Credits for required for graduation – 22
3.0 + GPA
(must include minimum of 2 weighted classes)

UNIVERSITY ADMISSION RECOMMENDATION
For admission to an in-state university in 2017-2018, a student should maintain the recommended grade point average of 3.0 or above, an ACT of 22 or above or 1040 on the SAT (math, verbal), along with the academic requirements.

Most Rigorous Sequences

ENGLISH: Honors English 9, Honors Sophomore English, AP Lang/Comp, AP Literature/Comp
MATHEMATICS: Honors Geometry, Honors Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics

SCIENCE: Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Physics I, AP Physics II, AP Environmental Science, AP Chemistry, Biotechnology I & II, Geospatial Information Systems

SOCIAL STUDIES: AP U.S. History, AP World History, AP Government/Economics, We the People, AP Human Geography

ELECTIVES

Academic Decathlon, AP Art History, AP Psychology, Spanish III, AP Spanish Language, AP Spanish Literature, French III, German III, AP Studio Art, AP Computer Science Principles, American Sign Language III

There are 2 methods of demonstrating high achievement:
Honors
AP = Advanced Placement

Our curriculum provides 36 Honors courses. Honors courses are graded on a 5.0 scale.

STUDENT PROFILE

In May of 2017, 912 AP tests were administered.
AP Scholars 30
AP Scholar with Honors 5
Scholar with Distinction 5

COLLEGE CORE GPA & CLASS RANK

Mesa Public Schools determines class rank by calculating a College Core. The College Core is based on Arizona university entrance requirements as determined by the Arizona Board of Education Graduation Requirements. Requirements are: 4 English, 4 Math, 3 Science, 3 Social Studies, 2 World Languages, and 1 Fine/Practical Art. Students who exceed minimum core area requirements will be evaluated based on the courses with the highest grade points earned in that core area. For more information, go to: www.mpsaz.org/collegecore

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