

Morristown High School

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The Mission

The core value and primary purpose of Morristown High School, with its large and diverse population, is to foster a community in which learning is meaningful, challenging, and lifelong, and where the expectations of growth, individual understanding, excellence, and creativity exist for all students and staff in a dynamic and academic environment. This mission will be achieved through a research-based process of continuous and collaborative planning, implementation, and evaluation.

The School

Morristown High School is a comprehensive, four-year secondary school that serves an ethnically and socially diverse student population of over 1800 students. A microcosm of the new millennium, Morristown High School is rich in economic, racial, and cultural diversity. Some families have been in the district for generations, while others have only recently immigrated to the United States.

Morristown High School offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum, including 28 Advanced Placement Courses and 35 Honors level courses. Our students maximize opportunities to sample and explore emerging career fields in areas such as technology, music, visual and performing arts, and the medical and science fields. Morristown High School provides an extensive program of interscholastic sports, co-curricular activities, and performing arts.

Outstanding Characteristics:

- More than 280 diverse courses (including Honors and Advanced Placement)
- The STEM Academy enables students to experience an in-depth study of continuous programming in math and science.
- Morristown High School's Senior Options program offers students the opportunity to enroll in college classes or obtain real-world experience in areas they wish to pursue as a career interest.
- Selected multiple times as one of Newsweek magazine's Nation's Best High Schools.
- Selected multiple times by New Jersey Monthly magazine as one of the Top 75 public high schools in New Jersey.
- Recognized by New Jersey historian and author John T. Cunningham as the subject of *Youth's Bright Years: An American High School*.
- Staff, parents, and students are actively involved in an initiative focused on an ongoing comprehensive and self-reflective review of all policies, practices, and procedures that impact teaching and learning.
- The Morris Education Foundation (MEF) and several community groups complement the active Home & School Association (HSA) that supports Morristown High School initiatives.

Accreditation

Morristown High School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education.

School Climate

Students:

- Ethnic Background: 54% White, 31% Hispanic, 9% African American, and 6% Asian/Pacific Islanders/Multiracial/ Native American
- Represent more than 19 different native languages
- 85% of the Class of 2017 attended two or four year colleges /universities after graduation
- Morristown High School students actively participate in school life on a broad academic and co-curricular level:
 - More than 40 co-curricular activities are offered in addition to 27 varsity athletic teams.
 - Students hold positions on key decision making teams that affect the school climate.
 - Students compete in academic contests in science, mathematics, world language, speech and debate.
 - High quality acting, vocal and instrumental music programs have enabled students to participate in All-State choirs, bands, orchestras and performing arts competitions.
 - 67 seniors participate in a highly selective Peer Group leadership program that supports incoming freshmen.
 - Students gain valuable broadcast experience through their work in our public radio station, WJSV-FM, and our in-house television studio.
 - Students write for the *Daily Record* (area newspaper), produce a yearbook, literary magazine and newspaper.
 - Visual Arts and Graphic Design students contribute designs to the high school environment and publications, and participate in community exhibitions.
 - Students are actively involved in community service.

Staff:

The professional staff includes 167 educators with 61% having graduate degrees (6 Doctorates; 96 Masters). Many graduates return as members of the professional staff. Morristown High School alumni, along with other staff members, are committed to making the school even better for its students.

<p>Advanced Placement Courses</p> <p>Biology Calculus AB & BC Chemistry Computer Science English Language English Literature Environmental Science European History French Language Human Geography Italian: Language & Culture Latin: Vergil & Caesar Macroeconomics Mandarin Chinese Microeconomics Music Theory Physics C: Mechanics; Mechanics/Electricity & Magnetism Psychology Spanish Language Spanish Literature Statistics Studio Art: Drawing, 2-D, & 3-D U.S. Government & Politics U.S. History 2</p>	<p>Honors Courses</p> <p>Advanced Latin Literature Aerospace Engineering African-American History Algebra 1, and 2 Anatomy & Physiology Biology Business Finance & Marketing CAD3: Design Studio Chemistry English 1, 2, 3, and 4 French 5 Geometry Holocaust & Genocide Humanities Academy Symposiums & Workshop Introduction to STEM Italian Literature Latin Linear Algebra Nanoscale Science & Engineering Physics Pre-Calculus Research Science 1, and 2 Spanish Composition & Communication U. S. History 1 and 2 Visual Art 3 World History</p>	<p>Course Designations</p> <p>Courses are designated by level of difficulty as follows:</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>AP</td> <td>Advanced Placement</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H</td> <td>Honors</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>College Preparatory</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All Honors and AP courses are weighted for the GPA calculation and decile rank calculations. All academic courses are included in GPA calculations.</p> <p>Instructional Schedule</p> <p>Morristown High School operates on an A-Day/ B-Day schedule (80 minute sessions), which integrates full year and semester courses. Students are not limited in the number of AP or Honors courses they can take. Morristown High School does not offer IB courses.</p> <p>Career Plans</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>65.4 %</td> <td>Four-Year College/University</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19.7 %</td> <td>Two-Year College</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.6 %</td> <td>Business/Technical School</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1.1 %</td> <td>Military</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5.6 %</td> <td>Employment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5.6 %</td> <td>Other</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	AP	Advanced Placement	H	Honors	A	College Preparatory	65.4 %	Four-Year College/University	19.7 %	Two-Year College	2.6 %	Business/Technical School	1.1 %	Military	5.6 %	Employment	5.6 %	Other
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Grading System

Morristown High School rates student performance relative to the following scale. Honors Level Courses are weighed into the scale by factoring a multiplier of 1.25 to the value of the letter grade and AP Level Courses are weighed into the scale by factoring a multiplier of 1.5 to the value of the letter grade.

Grade	Equivalent	Value	H Value	AP Value
A+	97-100	4.3	5.375	6.450
A	93-96	4.0	5.000	6.000
A-	90-92	3.7	4.625	5.550
B+	87-89	3.3	4.125	4.950
B	83-86	3.0	3.750	4.500
B-	80-82	2.7	3.375	4.050
C+	77-79	2.3	2.875	3.450
C	73-76	2.0	2.500	3.000
C-	70-72	1.7	2.125	2.550
D+	67-69	1.3	1.625	1.950
D	63-66	1.0	1.250	1.500
D-	60-62	0.7	0.875	1.050
F	59 or below	0.0	0.000	0.000

**Courses designated as something other than Honors or AP (i.e. College Preparatory) carry a weight of 1.0.

Decile Distribution

Morristown High School provides decile ranking, not specific rank in class.

Class of 2018 Decile Distribution:

Number of Students Ranked: 370

Decile	Range of Student GPA's	Decile	Range of Student GPA's
1st Decile	5.088-4.605	6th Decile	3.634-3.417
2nd Decile	4.602-4.284	7th Decile	3.408-3.109
3rd Decile	4.281-4.039	8th Decile	3.103-2.714
4th Decile	4.038-3.872	9th Decile	2.705-2.129
5th Decile	3.857-3.637	10th Decile	2.111-0.237

Decile distribution is based on six semesters of academic work at MHS. A student's final cumulative GPA (inclusive of all senior year course programming) is reported on the final transcript.

National Merit Programs

	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
National Merit Finalists	-	-	-
National Merit Semi Finalist	1	1	-
National Merit Letters of Commendation	7	16	7
National Hispanic Recognition Scholar	3	2	4

Summary of 2017

Advanced Placement Results

AP National Scholar:	10
AP Scholar with Distinction:	44
AP Scholar with Honor:	22
AP Scholar:	50
Total Students Taking Exams:	350
Number of Exams Completed:	753
83% of students score a 3 or higher	

College Admissions Test Scores - Mean Comparisons – Morristown High School

2017 Score Distribution
SAT Reasoning Test:
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing

Morristown High School	Total Group	New Jersey
573	558	559

2017 Score Distribution
SAT Reasoning Test: Math

Morristown High School	Total Group	New Jersey
563	555	557

2017 Score Distribution
The ACT Composite Score
Total Students Tested: 260

Morristown High School	New Jersey
25.2	25.9

Class of 2017 Acceptances

Albright College	Emory University	MA College of Art & Design	Simmons College	University of Florida
Allegheny College	Essex County College	MA Maritime Academy	Skidmore College	University of Georgia
Alvernia University	Fairfield University	MA College of Pharmacy & Health Science	Smith College	University of Hartford
American University	Fairleigh Dickinson University	McDaniel College	Spelman College	University of Illinois
Appalachian State University	Felician College	McGill University	Springfield College	University of Kentucky
Arcadia University	Flagler College	Mercy College	St. Bonaventure University	University of Louisville
Arizona State University	Florida Institute of Technology	Michigan State University	St. John's University	University of Maine
Auburn University	Florida International University	Millersville University	St. Lawrence University	University of Maryland
Ball State University	Florida Southern College	Misericordia University	St. Olaf College	University of Massachusetts
Bard College	Florida State University	Molloy College	Stetson University	University of Miami
Belmont University	Fordham University	Monmouth University	Stevens Institute of Technology	University of Michigan
Bentley University	Fort Hayes State University	Montana State University	Stevenson University	University of Nebraska
Berkeley College	Franklin & Marshall College	Montclair State University	Stockton University	University of New England
Berklee College of Music	Full Sail University	Moravian College	Stonehill College	University of New Hampshire
Binghamton University	Gannon University	Morris County School of Technology	Stonybrook University	University of New Haven
Bloomfield College	George Mason University	Mount St. Mary's University	Suffolk University	University of North Carolina
Bloomsburg University	Georgetown University	Muhlenberg College	SUNY at Albany	University of Oklahoma
Boston College	Georgia Institute of Technology	New England College	SUNY at Buffalo	University of Pennsylvania
Boston University	Georgia Southern University	New Jersey City University	SUNY College at Geneseo	University of Pittsburgh
Bowdoin College	Georgia State University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	SUNY College at Potsdam	University of Rhode Island
Bowie State University	Georgian Court University	New York Institute of Technology	Susquehanna University	University of Richmond
Brigham Young University	Gettysburg College	New York University	Syracuse University	University of San Francisco
Bucknell University	Gordon College	North Carolina State University	Temple University	University of Scranton
Butler University	Goucher College	North Carolina State University	Texas A&M University	University of South Carolina
Caldwell University	Hampton University	Northumbria University	Texas Christian University	University of South Florida
California State University	Hartwick College	Northwestern University	The Capri Institute	University of Southern California
Carnegie Mellon University	Harvard University	Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti di Milano	The Catholic University of America	University of Tampa
Case Western Reserve University	Haverford College	Oberlin College of Arts & Sciences	The College of New Jersey	University of Tennessee
Centenary College	High Point University	Occidental College	The College of Saint Rose	University of the Arts
Chapman University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Ohio University	The George Washington University	University of the Sciences in Philadelphia
City University of New York	Hofstra University	Old Dominion University	The New School	University of Texas
Clark Atlanta University	Hollins University	Pace University	The Ohio State University	University of Toledo
Clarkson University	Howard University	Pennsylvania State University	Towson University	University of Tulsa
Clemson University	Indiana University	Pensacola Christian College	Truman State University	University of Utah
Coastal Carolina University	Iona College	Philadelphia University	Tufts University	University of Vermont
Colby College	Ithaca College	Plymouth University	Tulane University	University of Virginia
Colgate University	Jacksonville University	Princeton University	Union College	University of Washington
College of Charleston	James Madison University	Providence College	United States Air Force Academy	University of Wisconsin
College of Saint Elizabeth	Johns Hopkins University	Purchase College, SUNY	United States Merchant Marine Academy	Ursinus College
College of the Holy Cross	Johnson & Wales University	Purdue University	University of Alabama	Utica College
College of William and Mary	Juniata College	Quinnipiac University	University of Arizona	Vassar College
Colorado School of Mines	Kean University	Ramapo College	University of Bridgeport	Villanova University
Columbia College	Kenyon College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Calgary	Virginia Commonwealth University
Connecticut College	Keystone college	Rider University	University of California at Berkeley	Virginia State University
Coppin State University	Kutztown University	Roanoke College	University of California at Davis	Virginia Tech
Cornell University	Lafayette College	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of California at Irvine	Wagner College
County College of Morris	Lebanon Valley College	Roger Williams University	University of California at Los Angeles	Wake Forest University
Curry College	Lehigh University	Rollins College	University of California at San Diego	Wellesley College
Delaware State University	Loughborough University	Rowan University	University of California at Santa Barbara	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Delaware Valley University	Louisiana State University	Rutgers University	University of California at Santa Cruz	West Chester University
DeSales University	Loyola Marymount University	Sacred Heart University	University of Central Florida	West Virginia University
Dickinson College	Loyola University Maryland	Saint Joseph's University	University of Chicago	Western New England University
Dillard University	Lynn University	Saint Leo University	University of Cincinnati	Wheaton College
Drew University	Macalester College	Saint Michael's College	University of Colorado	Widener University
Drexel University	Manhattan College	Saint Peter's University	University of Connecticut	Wilkes University
East Carolina University	Marist College	Salisbury University	University of Delaware	William Paterson University
East Stroudsburg University	Maryland Institute College of Art	Savannah College of Art & Design	University of Denver	Williams College
Eckerd College	Marymount Manhattan College	Seton Hall University		Wingate University
Elizabethtown College	Marywood University			Wittenberg University
Elon University				Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Emerson College				York College
Emmanuel College				