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MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

2018-19 HANDBOOK ADDENDUM



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MHS MISSION:

**THROUGH THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE
WE WILL HONOR SELF AND OTHERS.**

MHS VISION:

**MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL STRIVES TO INSTILL
THE WARRIOR TRAITS OF
BRAVERY, CHARACTER, LOYALTY AND WISDOM
THROUGH QUALITY ACADEMIC, EMOTIONAL
AND SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES.**

2018-2019 BELL & GRADING SCHEDULE

GRADING PERIODS	
1 ST	Aug. 16 – Sept. 21
2 nd	Sept. 24 – Nov. 2
3 rd	Nov. 5 – Dec. 21
4 th	Jan. 1 – Feb. 22
5 th	Feb. 25 – Apr. 12
6 th	Apr. 15 – May 30

A/B REGULAR DAY	
Period 1A & 1B	9:00 - 10:30
Period 2A & 2B	10:35 - 12:05
Activity Period	12:10 - 12:35
Period 3A & 3B	12:40 - 2:40
Lunch A	1:40 - 1:10
Lunch B	1:10 - 1:40
Lunch C	1:40 - 2:10
Lunch D	2:10 - 2:40
Period 4A & 4B	2:45 - 4:15

GENERAL INFORMATION

DELIVERIES & MESSAGES

In an effort to minimize classroom disruptions, Office Staff will not accept deliveries for students. Parents, or those on the Student's Contact List, may arrange for their student to meet them in the front office during passing periods or the student's lunch period to deliver items in person. Parents must communicate to their student when to meet them in the front office to pick up delivery items and personally deliver the items. School personnel will not send notes or otherwise communicate with students about when they should come to the front office for deliveries. Messages for students will be accepted for emergencies or to relay transportation change. Our fire detection system utilizes technology that can be activated by released helium filled balloons or similar items; therefore, no helium filled items will be allowed in the building.

CLOSED CAMPUS

Memorial High School is a closed campus. During the lunch periods, students are to remain in the cafeteria. All other areas are considered unauthorized areas. Students are not permitted off campus at any time unless a parent/guardian provides a written request. **Disciplinary action will be taken for students who leave campus without permission.** Attendance personnel will verify all requests.

VISITORS

Parents and others are welcome to visit district schools. For the safety of those within the school and to avoid disruption of instructional time, all visitors must first report to the main office. Visitors will be asked to show identification and obtain a VISITOR Badge before entering the main building. The badge must be visible during the entire time the visitor is on campus. Visits to individual classrooms during instructional time are permitted only with approval of the principal and teacher and only so long as their duration or frequency does not interfere with the delivery of instruction or disrupt the normal school environment. Observers in classrooms are limited to no more than one hour. Trespassing on school premises is strictly prohibited in accordance with Section 37.107 of the Texas Education Code. Even if the visit is approved prior to the visitor's arrival, the individual must check in at the main office first. Further information concerning visitors can be found on page 160 of the Frisco ISD Student Handbook.

VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE (VOE) FORM

To obtain a driver license, the Texas Department of Public Safety must be provided with a VOE form for the purpose of verifying that a student has 90 percent attendance in each course for the semester. Please see Mrs. Buscemi in the front office to request a VOE form. **Please note that the processing time is 24 hours.**

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

MHS classes begin at 9:00 a.m. and dismisses at 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students are under the authority of school personnel when they arrive on FISD property, or anytime students are at a school-sponsored event. Students are considered to be "in school" when they board a bus or step on campus and are not allowed to leave campus without permission and signing out with Mrs. Buscemi in the front office. All students are required to report to the MHS cafeteria or designated area unless granted permission from a teacher or administrator. Should a student need to leave campus, they are required to report to the front office and follow normal sign out procedures. **Students should not be on campus after 4:45 p.m. unless accompanied by a staff member or attending an approved after-school activity.**

LATE ARRIVAL AND EARLY RELEASE

MHS juniors who are on track for graduation with regard to both credit and EOC requirements may sign up for either late arrival or early release. **Students who opt for either must have transportation and may not be on campus when they are not scheduled in a class. Any student unable to leave campus immediately after their last class will not be permitted to have early release.** Students with late arrival should not be on campus until 10:30 am, and students with early release must leave campus by 2:50 pm. Students not adhering to these guidelines are subject to disciplinary consequences, and continued abuse of this policy may result in placement in a class during their late arrival/ early release time.

STUDENT PARKING

All students who plan to park at Memorial High School will be required to register their vehicle and obtain a parking permit which must be displayed while the vehicle is on campus. Before students can receive a parking pass, they must complete the google doc found [HERE](#). If a student's parking permit is lost or destroyed, the student will be required to pay \$15.00 for a replacement permit. The theft of a parking permit is a violation of the student code of conduct and will result in consequences consistent with the Memorial High School discipline management plan. Students withdrawing from Memorial High School will be required to return their parking permit to Mrs. Malone before the withdrawal process will be considered complete. No unlicensed drivers will be allowed to park or drive on the Memorial High School campus. **Student parking is located in the front of the school building ONLY** and the North and South side of the main entrance is reserved for faculty/staff members and visitors. Please click [HERE](#) for parking maps. Students are not permitted to park in any of these designated areas. All students are required to leave their vehicle and the parking lot area immediately upon their arrival at school. All students are required to have permission from an administrator to go to their vehicle during the school day. Students who must leave campus during the school day are required to sign out in the office after obtaining permission to leave school. Students are required to sign back in upon their return.

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL - STUDENT PARKING

As a part of new Fisd Regulations, a Frisco ISD High School student parking permit will cost \$50 for the year and \$30 for the Spring Semester only. A Frisco ISD high School student parking permit may be purchased through MyPaymentsPlus. You may also pay on campus by cash or check if necessary. Please see Ms. Malone in the AP office. All parking passes will be issued at Memorial High School. If permit is purchased online, receipt of payment will be required before a parking sticker can be obtained. [Registration form](#) must be submitted regardless of payment method and is only accessible to users with an Frisco ISD email address.

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL PARKING REGULATIONS

You have many personal responsibilities when driving an automobile on the Memorial High School campus, as well as responsibilities for the welfare of others. All drivers are expected to abide by the rules pertaining to the parking areas/MHS campus, in addition to those outlined by the Department of Public Safety.

REGULATIONS and FEES:

1. \$50 - First & second semesters gives students approval to park in designated spaces during school hours.
\$30 - Spring semester only. (Begins on Jan 1).
Additional Pass for second car – no charge (must be registered with this form and currently insured)
2. \$10 - Replacement fee if lost, stolen, or misplaced permits, grounds for Revocations listed above. The parking fee is non-refundable once the semester begins or if the parking permit is revoked. Students are responsible for safeguarding their permits.
3. Fines for not having sticker and/or not parking in designated student parking areas are listed below. After receiving a violation notification for not having a sticker, the student must go to the Memorial High School Financial Secretary within 3 days to pay the fines.
 - i. 1st Offense: \$10 Fine
 - ii. 2nd Offense: \$10 Fine
 - iii. 3rd Offense: \$10 Fine
 - iv. Subsequence Offenses: \$15
4. Failure to pay fine(s)
 - i. Loss of parking privilege
 - ii. A hold at registration
 - iii. Graduation and/or Prom hold restrictions
5. All vehicles parked on campus must have a valid parking sticker. The sticker must be affixed in the lower right hand corner of the windshield (across from registration and inspection sticker). Failure to display the sticker correctly may result in administrative discipline that is listed below in the consequences section.
6. **Temporary permits will only be issued to students who have purchased and displayed an Memorial High School parking permit.**
7. Using a sticker other than your own is a serious violation. If theft or use of another's sticker is involved, the SRO will be called upon to investigate and driving privileges of the driver in question will be revoked. **The parking fee paid is non-refundable.**
8. There is to be no parking where the curbs are painted red (fire lane). It may result in a citation being written by the Frisco Police Department/Student Resource Officer.
9. **Do not park in bus lanes, loading zones, visitor parking, handicapped parking, or teacher parking.**
10. Anyone speeding in the parking lot, continued and willful disobedience of parking lot rules especially those relating to speed exceeding 10 MPH, parking the fire lands or handicap spaces, sitting in car, loitering, littering, parking in areas not designated for

student parking, or improper displaying of the parking permit, theft or damage to school property will have their parking privileges revoked. **The parking fee paid is non-refundable.**

11. Students are to leave their automobiles and clear the parking lot as soon as they have parked their vehicle. **At no time are students permitted in the parking lot during the school day without a pass signed by an administrator.**
12. No students will be allowed to ride or be transported in the back of a pick-up truck while on the MHS campus.
13. If you have received a violation, you may be asked to show proper ID (driver's license) and proof of insurance.
14. If you are driving a different car other than the one we have on record, please inform the front office as soon as possible. Vehicles without valid permits will have a warning sticker applied.
15. Possession of a weapon or possession, use, sale or the distribution of alcohol, drugs or controlled substances, drug paraphernalia, or any other contraband will have their parking privileges revoked. **The parking fee paid is non-refundable.**
16. **The district has the right to search a vehicle driven to school by a student that is parked on school property whenever there is reasonable belief that the vehicle contains articles or materials prohibited by the district. A student's refusal to comply and provide access to a vehicle that they drove to school and parked on school property whenever there is reasonable belief that the vehicle contains articles or materials prohibited by the district will result in the administering of consequences by an administrator that may include Out-of-School Suspension, In-School Suspension, loss of parking privilege, loss of extracurricular activity attendance or participation, and/or loss of attendance at other school sponsored activities.**
17. Frisco ISD declare no responsibility for and assume no liability arising from fire, theft, vandalism, damage or loss of any vehicle or any article left therein while located on school district property or while in tow.

BICYCLES AND OTHER PERSONAL TRANSPORTATION DEVICES

Students may ride their bicycles to school when the weather permits. Students are encouraged to walk their bicycles for safety reasons where appropriate. Bicycles are to be parked and locked in the bike racks provided on campus.

STUDENT ID BADGE

Students are required to wear identification badges at all times while on campus. I.D. badges must be displayed above the waist and visible from the front and will be enforced throughout the day. Students will be issued a lanyard with their ID but may choose to wear any school appropriate lanyard. Student I.D. badges are used for security reasons: identifying students/grade level; library privileges; textbook distribution; purchasing athletic/activity tickets; purchases in the café and school store.

Only I.D. badges issued by Memorial High School will be allowed. Failure to wear an ID badge; wearing another student's badge or giving your badge to another student will result in disciplinary action for all students involved. Students who arrive at school without a badge should go immediately to the front office to obtain a temporary badge before 8:55am. After receiving 3 temporary ID's, a student is subject to school level discipline. A fee of \$5 cash will be assessed for replacement of an identification badge during the school year.

CARE OF VALUABLE

Each student enrolled at MHS shall be personally responsible for his/her valuables. The school will assume no responsibility for articles that are lost or stolen. Students are advised not to bring expensive jewelry, money in large amounts, or other valuable possessions to school. Valuables that must be brought to school should be kept locked in the student's locker or on the student's person at all time. During PE, athletics, dance or other classes that require the student to change clothes, valuables should be kept in a locked locker.

ELECTRONIC HOME ACCESS CENTER

All FISD secondary schools participate in the Home Access Center, a web based communications system that allows parents and students to obtain information online regarding the student's current grades as well as assignment information. Teachers are required to update their information every week. Teachers may also include additional information as they deem appropriate. Students and parents will be given instructions regarding utilization of this system at the beginning of each school year. If you are having issues with your account, please email MHSAC@friscoisd.org.

HOLD LIST

Students who have lost textbooks or who owe fees/fines will be placed on the Hold List. Hold list items must be cleared by the end of each year.

HEALTH ISSUES/MEDICATIONS

If a student has a health condition we need to be aware of, such as arthritis, scoliosis, hearing loss, heart problems, diabetes, allergies etc., please notify our nurse, Mrs. Rousser at 459-633-7358. We can discuss possible daily adjustments, to ensure success for all students at Memorial High School.

Students are not allowed to have any medications in their possession at school. This includes prescription meds, over-the-counter meds, vitamins, and herbs. A student in possession of medicines may be subject to discipline. Medications to be administered to students during school hours must be turned in to the nurse or an administrator upon arrival at school. Please refer to page 114 in the FISD 2018-2019 Student Handbook for further information regarding this policy.

FIELD TRIPS

Students failing one or more classes may be prohibited from attending field trips if they would miss the class they are failing. The decision will be made by the teacher of the class in which the student is failing in consultation with the student's assistant principal. All other field trip questions should be directed to Mr. Falbo

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE/TRUANCY

Please refer to <http://www.friscoisd.org/about/resources-and-information/school-attendance> for the most recent attendance/truancy information.

SEMESTER TARDY POLICY

Tardiness is viewed as a disruption to the classroom environment. Entering a classroom late not only deprives the tardy student of learning opportunities, but disrupts the education of his/her peers. Promptness and punctuality are skills necessary and beneficial for both the school and the workplace. Students who are tardy to any class period will not be allowed to enter their assigned classroom without an admit slip from the office. Consequences as listed below:

Tardy 1 – 3 Warning

Tardy 4 & 5 Thursday Night Live (TNL), Parent Notification

Tardy 6 & 7 Saturday School (\$15 fee), Parent Notification

Tardy 8 Day of In School Suspension (ISS), Parent Notification & CIT with Truancy Coordinator

Tardy 9+ Determined by Truancy Coordinator

*** Campus Consequences for tardiness are assigned from the cumulative count of all classes for each semester. For the purpose of truancy court, a cumulative count will be taken of all tardies in each class for the full school year and four tardies in a single class period will count as 1 unexcused absence, as outlined in Texas Compulsory Attendance Education Code.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR AND CODE OF CONDUCT

SCHOOL DANCES

School dances are designed to provide a healthy, safe, respectful and enjoyable environment for students to socialize. It is the responsibility of each student to read, understand and abide by the guidelines set forth on the school dance waiver. The following procedures have been established to ensure the enjoyment and safety of all students.

1. Before purchasing a dance ticket, ALL students must sign a waiver regarding MHS school dance procedure, including appropriate dance behavior.
2. Students bringing a guest from another school will be required to complete a guest dance form for approval before the guest ticket can be purchased. Invited guests are expected to arrive with and remain with their host while attending the dance. It will be the responsibility of the MHS students to ensure that their guests adhere to all expectations as defined in the school dance waiver.
3. Inappropriate dancing of any kind will not be permitted (including, but not limited to; twerking, freaking, grinding, front to back) or dancing in a sexually explicit manner.
4. Attire must meet the expectations as defined in the MHS dance waiver and/or the FISD dress code policy.
5. Students may not leave the dance early unless parent(s) are notified by an administrator. Any student who leaves the dance, for any reason, will not be permitted to return to the dance.
6. Inappropriate conduct by a MHS student or their guest will result in immediate removal of one or both parties from the dance.
7. All students purchasing a ticket must be in good standing with MHS and FISD. Administration reserves the right to deny any student(s) from attending a MHS dance.

DISCIPLINARY SETTINGS

1. Thursday Night Live (ThNL) Cafe – 2 hour supervised detention on Thursday afternoon from 4:20 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.
2. In-School Suspension (ISS) Room C134 - 1 to 10 days in a supervised school setting from 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Students must attend all 4 class periods on the MHS campus. Students will not be permitted to observe late arrival, early dismissal (including job related needs) or attend an off-campus classes. Students may not be permitted to participate in or attend school activities during the duration of placement in ISS.
3. Out-of-School Suspension (OSS) - 1-3 days off campus under parent supervision. The suspended student may not attend any Frisco ISD school related function during the duration of placement in OSS.
4. Saturday School (SS) Room C134 (Entrance on the southeast side of the building) - 3 hours of supervised study time on Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. A cost of \$15.00 will be charged for any student assigned to attend SS. All SS payments should be paid in full on or before the Friday before the assigned SS date. Payments should be submitted to Mrs. Malone in the front office. Students will be placed on hold list for non-payment.
5. DAEP Placement – Please refer to the Frisco ISD Student Handbook.
6. Expulsion - Please refer to the Frisco ISD Student Handbook

HIGH SCHOOL DRESS CODE

- “Sagging pants” are not allowed. Jeans, slacks, shorts, and all other pants must be worn at or about the waist at all times. Even if a shirt is extremely long, the pants must be worn at the waist. Undergarments should not be visible at any time.
- Pants and other articles of clothing that are torn, ragged, frayed, or pants with holes must be below fingertip length.
- Sunglasses, caps, hats, bandanas are not permitted to be worn in the building.
- Clothing should be worn for the purpose for which it was designed. No undergarments or pajamas are to be worn as outerwear.
- Shoes must be worn; house shoes are not permitted. Tennis shoes must be worn in physical education classes. Shoes with wheels are not allowed.
- Earrings and a single nose stud are permissible. All other visible body-piercing jewelry or ornaments are prohibited.
- Dresses, shirts and shorts that extend to or below the students’ fingertips when their arms are held to their sides are acceptable.
- Tights, leggings, jeggings, and other form-fitting pants must be worn with shirts, skirts, or shorts that extend to fingertip length.
- See-through, bare midriff, halter type, shoulder bearing, or spaghetti strap blouses or any revealing or low-cut clothing is not permitted. Shirt hems should extend well below the waist of pants/shorts/skirts whether in a sitting or standing position.
- Underwear-type sleeveless shirts, athletic tank tops and jerseys with large arm holes, beach wear, swim wear, halter-tops, and tube tops, are not appropriate or acceptable. Shoulder straps on tops and other clothing must be a minimum of two inches in width and must cover the undergarments.

Students in violation of the student dress and grooming code will be expected to change to appropriate attire (provided by the school) when violations are brought to their attention. Students will not be allowed to leave campus for the purpose of changing clothes. Students who fail to meet this requirement of compliance with Dress and Grooming Code may spend the remainder of the day in In-School Suspension. Consequences are as follows:

- First Offense** – Change into Dress for Success clothing and return to class.
- Second Offense** – Change into Dress for Success clothing and serve 1 day of ThNL
- Third Offense** - Change into Dress for Success clothing and serve 1 day of ISS
- Fourth Offense** – 2 days of ISS and parent conference
- Fifth Offense** – To be determined by student’s administration

Students who persistently violate the dress code may be held to a higher dress standard. Students are expected to be in compliance with the dress code at any school-related event or activity; school officials have the authority to ask them to leave if they are inappropriately dressed. Note: The principal, in connection with the sponsor, coach or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and groom of students who participate in the activity and may impose higher standards.

POSSESSION & USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Use of electronic communications devices during the school day is a privilege. Adherence to the guidelines is essential to maintaining an academic environment and the integrity of the classroom. Students who bring their electronic devices to the classroom will be directed to put them in a specific storage location (i.e. hanging cubbies or tabletop boxes) as decided by the classroom teacher. Students must comply with classroom guidelines and teacher directives at all times. Students will be permitted to utilize electronic communication devices in the classroom only when the teacher deems appropriate. When electronic devices are in use, students must use in a manner that does not disrupt the educational environment, from within or from outside the classroom, or violates the rights of others, including, but not limited to using the device to cheat, violate school conduct rules, harass or bully staff or students or use their device for unlawful purposes will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension, expulsion and will be reported to the local authorities. **Cell phones or other electronic devices used for communication are banned from use during ALL TEST administrations.**

Cell phones and other personal electronic communications devices that are being misused will be confiscated. Confiscated cell phones and electronic devices will only be returned to a parent or guardian with no exceptions. Students who violate the Frisco ISD/Memorial High School cell phone/electronic device policy will face disciplinary consequences (detailed below), regardless of the circumstance under which the policy was violated. It is the responsibility of the student to notify their parent(s) that their phone has been confiscated. At their discretion, parents may set a time to pick up the device and pay the fine,

- First offense** – Phone confiscated and returned to a parent.
- Second and Third offense** - Phone confiscated, a \$15.00 fine assessed and phone returned to parent upon payment of fine.
- Fourth offense** - Phone confiscated for the remainder of the semester or school year and a \$15.00 fine assessed.

Note: Students bring phones and other items to school at their own risk. The MHS/district will not be held responsible if a phone or other item is lost, stolen, or misplaced, including those that have been confiscated. Please refer to page 77 in the FRISCO Student Handbook for further information.

FRISCO ISD/MEMORIAL H.S. BULLYING/HARASSMENT/HAZING GUIDELINES

Please refer to page 48 in the Frisco ISD Student Handbook for detailed information and procedures for reporting

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

SCHEDULE CHANGE POLICY AND GRADES

To support academic success, our goal is to have all students in appropriate classes as quickly as possible. Schedule change forms must be submitted to the appropriate counselor before the Friday of the first week of each semester. Schedule changes will only be considered for the following six criteria:

- 1) an incomplete schedule
- 2) course already completed
- 3) enrolled in a course not requested
- 4) program change (sports, band, etc.)
- 5) missing graduation requirement
- 6) course level change (See note below)

Note: Pre AP/AP classes are the only classes that may be dropped at the end of the 1st six weeks grading period of a course or at the end of the semester. This change will occur only if the teacher, student and parent concur on the change.

GRADING SYSTEM

Student academic evaluation is achieved through the use of a grading system. An average grade of 70 is required for successful completion of a course. The grading system of the Frisco Independent School District shall be in accordance with the following scale:

- A = 90-100
- B = 80-89
- C = 70-79
- F - Below 70

All courses will use a uniform grading scale divided into three categories as follows:

- Major Grades – 50%
- Minor Grades – 30%
- Daily Grades – 20%

One-half credit may be earned in one semester. Students who fail one semester of a course may:

- Take the semester failed when offered to gain a passing grade.
- Be permitted to continue the course and by cumulative grade average pass the unit. Grades from correspondence courses, credit by exam, summer school or credit recovery can NOT be averaged with regular session semester grades to earn credit for both semesters of a year long course.
- If the course is not a required course, the student may choose to take another elective.

Students enrolled in their first year of a cooperative education classes are not eligible for partial credit unless they complete the entire year. Students in the second year of a cooperative education class may earn credit for only one semester of enrollment in a cooperative education class.

PROGRESS AND GRADE REPORTS

Three-week progress reports and six weeks grade reports will be made available on the Frisco ISD Home Access Center to make students and their parents/guardian aware of failing grades.

Students who receive a grade below 70 at the end of the six-weeks grading period will be suspended from extracurricular activities. (For guidelines see the eligibility calendar on page 19 of this handbook.) **NOTE:** Students who receive a grade below a 70 in any PreAP and/or AP class and have met required criteria may obtain a one-time waiver from the principal to remain eligible.

RESOLUTION OF INCOMPLETES

All "I"s per six weeks should be resolved no later than 4:20 p.m. on Friday of the next week following the last day of the just completed six weeks grading period. Exceptions to this guideline involving extenuating circumstances require the approval of the principal. Also, students who participate in UIL activities should refer to the eligibility calendar on page 19 of this handbook.

GRADING GUIDELINES

Grades will be divided into three categories according to district policy and generally are defined as:

Major – 50% *Academic summative measurements* of accumulated knowledge and skills over a longer period of time following in-class and at-home practice. There will be a **minimum of two** in a six weeks grading period which may consist of tests, projects, presentations, or major writing assignments.

Minor – 30% *Academic measurements* of knowledge and skills following in-class and at-home practice. There will be a **minimum of two** minor academic measurements in a six weeks grading period which may consist of quizzes, projects, presentations, labs, essays, or in-class assignments.

Daily – 20% *Daily skills practice*

Memorial High School is working on being more deliberate, descriptive, and informative with our daily and test grades. We want students to self-assess and reflect on their own strengths and growth areas with the goal of improving learning. As a result, certain daily and test grades will be reported a little differently in HAC.

Daily Grade Example:

Previously, you might have seen grades in HAC that looked like "HW 1.1". While this told the students and parents what the actual assignment was, it does not tell them anything about the content. In order to better define for you the learning target, a teacher would list this assignment as "Solving equations" or "Writing an effective thesis". Daily grades will follow closely with Major grades to help track progress. We will discuss this at length throughout the year. Because each course is designed differently, the listed assignment may vary since some assignments will be based on topics, skills, and/or standards.

Test Grade Example:

Previously, you might have seen grades in HAC that looked like "Unit 1 Test". Instead of reporting a single test score in HAC (like Unit 1 Test), we will report the test score for each section of the test separately. For example, in Algebra, you might see "Independent and Dependent Variables" and "Solving Equations" as test grades given on the same day. The teachers would have categorized each question from the "Unit

1 Test” into one of these two categories to come up with a separate test grade for each of the two sections. Both of these test grades would fall into the 50% Major Test Category.

Retesting:

One of the many benefits to this method is it will drive our retest opportunity. While previously your student would have taken a retest covering all of the information in “Unit 1”, now your student will only retest the section he/she scores lower on. For example, if your student scored a 90% on the first section and a 60% on the second section, the score would have previously just showed up as a 75% in HAC and your student would have retested all information. Now, your student will only retest the information on the second section up to an 85%. We hope this will provide a better idea of where your student is on the material and what areas he/she needs to study for the retest.

Project Guidelines:

Any project assigned should be assessed using a rubric and provided to the students at the time the project is assigned. The rubric outlines the knowledge and skills of which the students will be assessed. Students may have “checkpoints” leading up to the due date of the project which may be reflected in the daily/minor category but not as part of the overall project grade

PLEASE REFER TO THE FRISCO ISD STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF ACADEMIC POLICIES.

- **Cheating**
- **Plagiarism**
- **Consequences for academic dishonesty**
- **Make-up work guidelines**
- **Make-up test and re-test guidelines**
- **Re-test guidelines**

EXTRA CURRICULAR

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Student activities are considered to be an integral part of the Memorial curriculum. These activities are designed to meet the varied interests of the student body. All students are encouraged to participate and take an active part in these activities. Student clubs and performing groups such as band, choir, drill team and athletic squads may establish codes of conduct and consequences for misbehavior that are stricter than those for students in general. All Memorial sponsored clubs and organizations must be supervised by a school faculty or staff member. Please see Mr. Falbo for information on starting a new club at MHS.

- **AcDec** - Aly Webb
- **BPA** – Kim Biggerstaff
- **Broadcast** – Lauri Keck
- **DECA** – Marilyn Walter
- **French Club** – Natalya Ramirez
- **Future Farmers of America (FFA)** – Taylor McAlister
- **Health Occupational Students of America (HOSA)** – Cieandres Gibson & Christina Chong
- **Independent Study & Mentorship Program (ISM)** – Matt Pirtle
- **National Art Honor Society** – Sarah Watkins
- **National Honor Society (NHS)** – Leyna Epperly
- **Spanish Club/Honor Society** – Marybel Bonilla
- **Student Council (StuCo)** – Rheanne Renzenbrink & Mitchel Reeder
- **UIL Academics** - Jeana Chetty
- **Yearbook** – Debbie Helmberger

PEP RALLIES

- Friday, August 17th 3:30pm - 4:05pm
- Wednesday, August 29th TBA (evening tailgate)
- Friday, September 14th 12:10pm - 12:35pm (activity period)
- Friday, September 28th 12:10pm - 12:35pm (activity period)
- Friday, October 12th 12:10pm - 12:35pm (activity period)
- Thursday, October 25th 12:10pm - 12:35pm (activity period)

IMPORTANT FALL DATES

- Forthcoming week: October 22nd - October 26th
- Forthcoming dance: October 27th
- DASH/Red Ribbon week: October 29th – November 2nd

UIL ELGABILITY CALENDAR

- **AUGUST 16 (Thursday)** = Promoted 9th graders, and upperclassmen with 5, 10, 15 credits or who earned 5 credits during the previous 12 months are all eligible.
- **SEPTEMBER 28, PM** = All students passing after the 1st six weeks become eligible, even students with insufficient credits. Any student failing the 1st six weeks becomes ineligible.
- **OCTOBER 22, PM (Monday)** = A student who failed the 1st six weeks, but is passing all classes at the 3 week grade check becomes eligible.
- **NOVEMBER 9, PM** = A student who failed the 1st six weeks, but is passing all classes for the 2nd six weeks becomes eligible. A student failing the 2nd six weeks becomes ineligible.
- **NOVEMBER 16, PM – through – November 26, AM (Monday)** = All students are academically eligible during this holiday break.
- **DECEMBER 7, PM** = A student who failed the 2nd six weeks, but is passing all classes at the 3 week grade check becomes eligible.
- **DECEMBER 21, PM – through – JANUARY 8, AM (Tuesday)** = All students are academically eligible during this holiday break.
- **JANUARY 15, PM (Tuesday)** = A student who failed the 2nd six weeks, but is passing all classes for the 3rd six weeks becomes eligible. A student failing the 3rd six weeks becomes ineligible.
- **FEBRUARY 4, PM (Monday)** = A student who failed the 3rd six weeks, but is passing all classes at the 3 week grade check becomes eligible.
- **MARCH 1, PM** = A student who failed the 3rd six weeks, but is passing all classes for the 4th six weeks becomes eligible. A student failing the 4th six weeks becomes ineligible.
- **MARCH 8, PM – through – MARCH 18, AM (Monday)** = All students are academically eligible during the Spring Break.
- **March 29, PM** = A student who failed the 4th six weeks, but is passing all classes at the 3 week grade check becomes eligible.
- **APRIL 19, PM** = A student who failed the 4th six weeks, but is passing all classes for the 5th six weeks becomes eligible. A student failing the 5th six weeks becomes ineligible.
- **MAY 14, PM (Tuesday)** = A student who failed the 5th six weeks, but is passing all classes at the 3 week grade check becomes eligible.
- **May 30, PM (Thursday)** = All students are academically eligible.

If school is in session on April 22 (Bad Weather Make-up Day, then the eligibility date will change to May 13 (Monday))
2018 MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY FOOTBALL & PEP RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	THEME	SLOGAN
Friday, August 31	vs. Celina	Toyota Stadium	Black Out	Black out the Bobcats
Thursday, September 6	@ Independence	Memorial Stadium	Neon	Outshine the Knights
Friday, September 14	vs. Lovejoy	Memorial Stadium	Hawaiian	"Lei" out the Leopards
Friday, September 21	@ Denton Braswell	CH Collins Stadium	Camouflage	Hunt the Bengals
Friday, September 28	vs. Lebanon Trail	Ford Center	Tie-dye	Tie up the Trail Blazers
Thursday, October 4	@ Reedy	Ford Center	Pajamas	The Lions Sleep Tonight
Friday, October 12	vs. Princeton	Memorial Stadium	Pink Out	Tackle Breast Cancer (and the Panthers!)
Friday, October 19	@ Lake Dallas	Lake Dallas Stadium	Superhero attire	Fight the Falcons
Thursday, October 25	vs. Denison	Toyota Stadium	Forthcoming - Gold Rush	Strike the Yellow Jackets
Friday, November 2	@ Frisco	Ford Center	Western	Wrangle the Raccoons