



MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Senior Meeting 2024-2025



**Do you have everything to graduate from Memorial?
What are your plans next year?
What do you need to do now to prepare for next year?**

Grad Requirements -23.5 credits required for graduation

- Total Credits Completed + Total Credits In-Progress needs to equal or exceed 23.5
- Do you meet college admission requirements (Including requirements unique to a specific college/electives)?
- **You are responsible for monitoring your credits!**

Post-Secondary Options

- 4-year University
- 2-year College
- Technical School
- Military
- Work Force

Technical school applications-apply early!

- Application-online (use personal email)
- Application fee
- ACT Scores (depending on the program)
- Official transcript through Parchment (depending on the program)
- CVTC representative at Memorial every Tuesday from 8-11a.m

College applications – apply early!

Each college has a priority application deadline.

Colleges base admission on a comprehensive approach, including:

PRIMARY FACTORS - GPA, course rigor, essay, ACT (optional for some schools)

COMPLIMENTARY FACTORS - leadership, service/volunteerism, school/community involvement

Application Process-

- Application (personal statements are important!!) – online (use personal email)
- Application fee
- ACT/SAT scores (request through www.act.org, if needed-most schools are test optional)
- Official Transcript, request though Parchment.com
 - Memorial High School home page
 - New users need to create an account
 - Use a personal email address
 - Transcripts are free for enrolled ECASD student



MAKE SURE TO PHYSICALLY VISIT YOUR SCHOOLS OF INTEREST!!!!

Notification of being waitlisted or postponed- Take Action (see your counselor, send recent grades, letters of rec, etc.)

Financing your education

- Scholarships - Memorial High School Home Page>Student Services>Scholarships & Financial Aid>Current MHS Scholarships
- Scholarships through universities, parents' employment, internet searches
- FAFSA/Financial Aid- application opens **DEC. 1**; apply early!
- **Financial Aid Night** (combined with North HS)- **Monday, December 2, 2024**, at Memorial High School, from 6:00PM – 7:00PM in the Little Theater

FAFSA Steps

- Create a FSA ID (student AND parent(s) and/or guardian)
 - www.studentaid.gov
- Fill out the FAFSA (online)
 - www.studentaid.gov

Letters of Recommendation

- Currently ONLY UW Madison requires a letter in the UW System. Check your specific school(s) for requirements.
- Brag Sheet from Student Services; make sure to give recommenders 2 weeks to write your letter.

Fee Waivers

- If you qualified for free/reduced lunch you are able to waive college application fees, testing fees, etc. (See your counselor in Student Services)

Email

- Use a personal email you check regularly for your applications– DO NOT use your school email account as that will expire when you graduate. And remember to keep checking that email for updates from the colleges regarding your application, etc. as that is how they communicate with you.

Spring of Senior Year

- Schedule placement tests for your university
- Send Final transcript- ONLY to the school you are planning to attend
 - Follow the same instructions as you did in the fall to send your transcript. However, as you reach the drop-down menu asking when you want it sent, select "Hold for Grades". This option means that your transcript will be sent at the end of the school year when your grades are final.

Other Resources

- www.uwhelp.wisconsin.edu - UW System information
- www.wtcsystem.edu/ - WI Tech College System
- www.collegeboard.org – Advanced Placement information