

10TH GRADE INFORMATION SHEET

CLASS of 2012

All students who entered 9th grade in September 2008 need 22.5 credits to graduate. Credits required to graduate are:

- 4 English
- 4 Social Studies
- 3 Math
- 3 Science
- 1 Foreign Language
- .5 Health
- 1 Art/Music
- 2 Physical Education (.5 credits per year)

Bring Class lists!

All students must pass all FIVE Regents Exams with at least a 65 to GRADUATE.
Required exams are in math, science, global history, US history and English.

65+ must also be scored on all five required regents exams to obtain a *Regents Diploma*. For an *Advanced Regents Diploma* students need two additional Regents Exams in math AND one additional Regents Exam in science as well as a 3 unit sequence in foreign language (+the F. L. Regents) or a 5 unit sequence in one of the following areas:

- Art
- Family and Consumer Science
- Technology
- Business
- Vo-Tech

Buy Your Review Books!!!

AP and Honors Courses: There is an application process for anyone requesting an AP or Honors course. Applications will be available in early February and due later in the month. Deadlines are firm. English and social studies applications include a writing assignment - so put your best foot forward and show the committee what you've got!

Votec Visit: Anyone interested in attending votec next year, **must** participate in the votec visit. This year's visit is scheduled for the morning of Thursday, January 28th **during Regents Week**. Please plan accordingly. There will be a permission slip due January 15th on order to participate. ***You must pass your classes during the school year in order to have the best chance to attend Votec next year!***

Visit www.bocescaereertech.org for more information about programs offered at the Albany Votec Center.

Honor Society: (Students are invited to apply in the fall of their Junior Year)

Requirements to apply:

1. Students must have a minimum of a 90 overall average
2. Students must be active in a school activity at the time of application. They must also have participated in a second activity in a prior year of high school. Recommendations from both activity advisors must be submitted at the time of application.
3. Students must have a minimum of 10 documented community service hours and be able to get a recommendation from the volunteer supervisor for these hours (Key Club may not be used for this).
4. Students are required to have all junior year teachers submit a recommendation.

Career and College Searching:

For anyone wanting to explore careers and colleges, there are several websites which can assist you in this process. Also refer to our Career and College Guide on the Guidance webpage from the high school webpage.

<http://www.mohonasen.org/HS/counselingcareercenter/careercollegeplanningguide.cfm>

To use the Choices program at school, simply click on the "Choices" icon on any desktop in the computer labs, the high school library or the Betty Jarvis Career Library. When using the program at home through www.bridges.com you will need a **Site ID, which is 1011241 and a password, which is mohonschool**, in order to save your information in a portfolio so you can access it all later without having to start over.

Interest Profiler

The interest profiler can be done in school or at home. The profiler will ask you to choose whether you "like", "dislike" or are "not sure" about performing a variety of different tasks. The more honestly you answer these questions, the better your results will be. Once you have completed the profiler, your results will be shown. Your top Interest Areas will be displayed. They will be from the following areas:

- Enterprising, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Conventional, and Realistic

From there, you can continue and a list of careers that seem to match your areas of interest will be created and you can read about each one. Pay particular attention to those that you do not know much about or have never heard of, because they may be the ones you should research further. You can also research careers that do not show on the list of matching careers by going to the *Career Finder* link on Bridges or the *Occupations with Post-Secondary Schools* link on Choices/bridges.

You can use www.bridges.com and www.collegeboard.com to search for colleges.