

McGUFFEY HIGH SCHOOL



2017 - 2018 ORIENTATION

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MCGUFFEY HIGH SCHOOL
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Mr. Mark J. Bonus, Principal - Ext 3004

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Mr. Ed Dalton, Athletic Director - Ext. 3031

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Mrs. Laura Sibert, Secretary to the Principal Ext. 3001

Mrs. Patty Johnson, Secretary to the Assistant Principal and Athletic Director - Ext. 3002

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| I. | Welcome - Mr. Bonus |
| II. | General Information on Attendance and Expectations - Mr. Magnotta |
| III. | Student Schedules and Graduation Requirements - Mrs. Ross |
| IV. | School Tours - Members of High School Student Council |

McGuffey High School 2017 - 2018 Fast Facts:

8.23.17	First Student Day
7:45 AM	Student Arrival Time
7:55 AM	Start of Homeroom
3:05 PM	Student Dismissal Time
5	Days to make schedule changes to core courses
9.20.17	McGuffey High School Open House 6:30 - 8:00 PM
1961	First Graduating Class of McGuffey High School
500	Students Grades 9 through 12
2	Administrators
55	Teachers
2	Guidance Counselors
180	Days of School
93	Percent Daily Attendance Rate Grades 9 -12
11	Advanced Placement Courses (AP Computer Science added 2017 - 2018)
25 th	Day of the term Progress Reports are distributed
AAA	WPIAL Classification (AAAA B. Basketball/Baseball/Rifle AA for Wrestling/Track/Golf)
21	Dual Enrollment Courses with the Community College of Allegheny County
\$702,500	Dollars in scholarships awarded to the class of 2016 - 2017
26	Credits needed to graduate from McGuffey High School
14	Technical programs offered at Western Area Career and Technology Center
134	Courses offered at McGuffey High School
41	Minutes per period (43 minutes 1st and 13th)
30	Minutes per lunch period
\$1.35	Price of breakfast
\$2.60	Price of regular school lunch
600	Seats in the Auditorium
129	Student parking spaces on campus
1	Special place to receive an education
Lifetime	Of great memories as a graduate of McGuffey High School

Why McGuffey High School

Academics:

Core Content Areas - Mathematics, Science, English, Social Studies

Elective Content Areas - Foreign Languages, Computer Science, Business, Music, Art, Technology Education, Family and Consumer Science Education, Health and Physical Education

Technical Training Programs - General Agriculture Program of Study, Agricultural Mechanics Program of Study, Engineering Technologies Program of Study, and Western Area Career and Technology Vocational Education Programming.

Over the past four years our standardized test scores (Keystone Assessments) have been the highest in school history. *Literature - 77%, *Algebra 1 - 78%, *Biology - 70%

- *NOCTI Assessment: (WACTC/VO AG) 82% Competent or Advanced
- *SAT/ACT COLLEGE BENCHMARK rating of 75%
- *SAT averages - Mathematics (500) Reading (486) Writing (452)
- *ACT averages - Mathematics/English (23) / Reading (26) / Science (24)
- Advanced Placement Exams - 46% Scored a 3 or higher on AP Subject Tests
- *HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE - 94%.
* Source (2016 - 2017 School Performance Profile)

Arts and Activities:

- High School Marching Band: 2012-2013 PIMBA STATE CHAMPIONS
- District and Regional Band: 2016-2017
- All State Band Musicians: 2012-2013 and 2013-2014
- District and Regional Chorus Vocalists:
2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017
- 20 Student Clubs and Activities

Athletics:

- 17 Team Sports
- 2016 - 2017 Three Section Championships
- 2016 - 2017 Seven WPIAL Playoff Teams
- 2016 - 2017 One PIAA Playoff Team
- 2015 - 2016 Three Section Championships
- 2015 - 2016 Nine WPIAL Playoff Teams
- 2015 - 2016 One PIAA Playoff Team
- 2014 - 2015 Five Section Championships
- 2014 - 2015 Nine WPIAL Playoff Teams
- 2014 - 2015 Three PIAA Playoff Teams
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McGuffey High School - Academic Requirements

Academic Requirements for Graduation

1. Twenty Six Credits or Fifteen and a Half Credits and Completion of WACTC Program.
2. Successfully completed a Culminating Graduation Project (CGP).
3. Beginning with the Class of 2019 all students must pass the designated Pennsylvania Keystone Assessments in Algebra I, Literature, and Biology in order to graduate from high school in Pennsylvania.
4. Biology Keystone - 9th Grade / Literature Keystone - 10th Grade / Algebra 1 Keystone - Per Course

Credit Requirements / Course Requirements - Non WACTC Students

4	credits of English (English 9, 10, 11, 12)
4	credits of Mathematics (Algebra and Geometry)
4	credits of Science (Biology)
4	credits of Social Studies (Civics, Law, World History, US History)
2	credits of Physical Education
1	credit of Information Systems
1	credit of Arts and Humanities
.5	credit of Health
<u>.5.5</u>	<u>credits of Electives</u>
26	Credits Total

Credit Requirements/Course Requirements - WACTC Students

4	credits of English (English 9, 10, 11, 12)
3	credits of Mathematics (Algebra and Geometry)
3	credits of Science (Biology)
2.5	credits of Social Studies (Civics/Law and US History)
.5	credit of Health
1.5	credits of Physical Education
<u>1</u>	<u>credit of Arts and Humanities or Information Systems or a combination of both</u>
15.5 Credits Total + Credits awarded by completion of a WACTC Program.	

Typical WACTC Student Course of Studies

Course schedule may be modified to accommodate graduation requirements.

<u>Freshman Year</u>	<u>Sophomore Year</u>	<u>Junior Year</u>	<u>Senior Year</u>
English	English	English	English
Math	Math	Math	Science
Science	Science	US History	Social Studies
Social Studies	WACTC Program	WACTC Program	Physical Education
Health			WACTC Program
Physical Education			
Arts and Humanities and Information Systems			

Sample Freshmen Schedule 2017 – 2018

Name:

Grade: 9

Homeroom: 106

Locker Number: 999

Period (Days)	Term	Course	Teacher	Room
P1 (D1-D6)	17-18	Homeroom	Reger	304
P2 (D1-D6)	S1	Civics	Simala	218
	S2	Law	Simala	218
P3 (D1-D6)	17-18	English 9	Shilling	116
P4 (D1-D6)	S1	Multimedia Applications 1	V. Schmidt	102
	S2	Health	Parry	110
P5/6 (D1-D6)	17-18	Study Hall	Urbanek	115
P7/8 (D1-D6)	17-18	Biology	Kribel	302
P9/10	17-18	Biology (Lab) Days 1-2-3	Kribel	302
		Physical Education Days 4-5-6	Fatigante	GYM
P11 (D1-D6)	17-18	LUNCH	Staff	Cafe
P12 (D1-D6)	17-18	Algebra 1	Hamilton	225
P13 (D1-D6)	17-18	High School Chorus	Solomon	152

PowerSchool Access

PowerSchool is McGuffey School District's student information system. This web application allows parents and students to access important information regarding an individual student's progress through a parent and student portal. Each parent and student can access information with a secure login. For more information about how to access the parent and student portals visit the McGuffey School District website at www.mcguffey.k12.pa.us and click on the Parent or Student tab.

Over 85% of high students and parents tracked academic performance and attendance during the 2016 -2017 school year with the Powerschool App.

Culminating Graduation Project (CGP)

As part of its Strategic Plan, the McGuffey School District has adopted the High School Culminating Graduation Project (CGP) as a formal requirement for high school graduation. The purpose of the project is to provide a comprehensive program that will educate the whole person and prepare him/her to lead a productive life as a member of society. All students will complete a CGP in an area of concentrated study that focuses on career planning and exploration.

The CGP will illustrate how the various disciplines are interrelated and will show that a student can develop, organize, produce, analyze, and evaluate information. Each student will be responsible for a presenting their CGP according to the prescribed requirements during their Junior or Senior on a date designated by the district.

Please refer to the Culminating Graduation Project (CGP) information under the Guidance link on our website for more information on the completion of this project.

Cafeteria Information 2017 - 2018

Breakfast

Breakfast is available for high school students between 8:05 am and 8:38 am.

Breakfast may be purchased from mobile carts at locations on the first and second floor or in cafeteria.

Prices: Full - \$1.35, Reduced price \$0.30, Free to eligible students

Lunch

Prices: Gourmet - \$3.00, Full - \$2.60, Reduced - \$0.40, Free to eligible students

The McGuffey School District is now using www.myschoolbucks.com as a service to prepay for your child's school breakfast, lunch and a la carte food items using your credit card.

For more information go to www.myschoolbucks.com. They also have an App for mobile devices.

The Objectives of McGuffey High School include

To develop the qualities of citizenship.

To recognize the individual differences of students.

To utilize a curriculum that meets their educational needs.

To enable students to effectively meet the challenges of life.

To broaden their horizons intellectually and socially.

To encourage an appreciation of cultural and practical activities.

To prepare students to continue their education beyond the high school level.

To encourage students to work up to their ability at all times.

High School FAQ

1. If I bring my child to school, what time should I drop them off and where?

Students who are not riding buses or driving themselves need to be dropped off at the HS Gym Tower no earlier than 7:45 AM.

2. Do you have a policy that regulates tardiness to school?

Yes. It can be found on Page 20 of the 2017 - 2018 Student Handbook

3. Are there new state policies concerning student immunizations?

Yes. They can be found on Page 82 of the 2017 - 2018 Student Handbook

4. Do you have a policy concerning Family Educational Trips?

Yes. It can be found on Page 21 of the 2017 - 2018 Student Handbook

5. What period will my child eat lunch daily?

Either Period 9 (12:21 - 12:51) or Period 11 (1:05 - 1:35)

6. Where will my child's locker be located?

In a hallway close to their Homeroom (Period 1).

7. Where can I find information concerning school events and information?

Twitter: @McGuffeyHS

High School Website:

http://www.mcguffey.k12.pa.us/mcguffeyhighschool_home.aspx

8. In what grades do students take the PSAT/NMSQT and SAT/ACT?

PSAT - Grade 10 SAT/ACT - typically the second semester of their Junior Year.

9. How many credits will my child be taking each school year throughout high school?

Minimum 7 Per Year / Maximum 8 Per Year

10. In what grades can students attend WACTC?

Students can attend WACTC in grades 10/11/12 if they have a minimum GPA of 2.0 at the conclusion of their Freshman year based on their final course grades.

11. What is the number to Fax Medical Excuses to the High School?

(724) 948 - 3344

12. How can I support a great high school experience for my child?

2017 - 2018 McGuffey High School Bell Schedule

Minutes	Time	Periods
43	7:55 - 8:38	Period 1
41	8:41 - 9:22	Period 2
41	9:25 - 10:06	Period 3
41	10:09 - 10:50	Period 4
41	10:53 - 11:34	Period 5/6
41	11:37 - 12:18	Period 7/8
30	12:21-12:51	Period 9
8	12:54 - 1:02	Period 10
30	1:05 - 1:35	Period 11
41	1:38 - 2:19	Period 12
43	2:22 - 3:05	Period 13

STUDENT A		
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43	7:55 - 8:38	Period 1
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41	10:09 - 10:50	Period 4
41	10:53 - 11:34	Period 5/6
41	11:37 - 12:18	Period 7/8
41	12:21-1:02	Period 9/10
30	1:05 - 1:35	Period 11
41	1:38 - 2:19	Period 12
43	2:22 - 3:05	Period 13

STUDENT B		
Minutes	Time	Periods
43	7:55 - 8:38	Period 1
41	8:41 - 9:22	Period 2
41	9:25 - 10:06	Period 3
41	10:09 - 10:50	Period 4
41	10:53 - 11:34	Period 5/6
41	11:37 - 12:18	Period 7/8
30	12:21-12:51	Period 9
41	12:54-1:35	Period 10/11
41	1:38-2:19	Period 12
43	2:22-3:05	Period 13

