



# @MHS 2020-2021 Program Schedule and Calendar



# @MHS Program Principle:

## Intentional Use of Time

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Our program of learning supports students, responds to needs, and functions across time and place. Our use of time allows for individual learning and encourages teacher-student connection, supports student wellness, and includes regular time for core pieces of the unique MHS experience.

# 2020-2021 Academic Program

## Hybrid Learning @MHS

The 2020-2021 academic program is designed with maximum **flexibility** to serve both on-campus and online learners, emphasizing **active learning** and **deep engagement**. Whether in person or at a distance, students will be **connected** to the Miss Hall's community and to each other through a combination of synchronous and asynchronous learning. In keeping with our core principles of an **intentional use of time** and **responsive technology**, our @MHS program can transition smoothly to 100% online learning, if necessary. Teachers have designed courses that focus on **individual student growth**, that include opportunities for **exploration** and **collaboration**, and that promote **equity** and **serve student needs**.

# Key Considerations in Crafting 2020-2021 Schedule & Calendar

## Safety

Physical distancing protocols  
Health screenings  
Cleaning and sanitizing protocols  
Observe additional guidelines from state and local officials

## Flexibility

Effectively serves both on-campus and online learners  
Works across multiple time zones to support our global community  
Can transition smoothly to 100% online, if necessary

## Community

Student-centered and mission-driven  
Includes the core of our MHS program and values; full expression of our mission and our commitment to a connected community  
Aligns with best practices in supporting student wellness

# @MHS 2020-2021 Schedule & Calendar

- The new academic calendar is based on “terms” rather than two semesters. The school year includes 6 terms of approximately 5 weeks each
- Students take 2 in-depth classes during each term. Classes meet twice per week, Mon./Thurs. and Tues./Fri.
- Each class day, students will engage in one 90-minute class with the teacher and other students who are learning in the same place (on-campus or online)
- Courses previously listed as **year-long** will run for **two** terms. Courses previously listed as one **semester** will run for **one** term. Over the course of the year, students will take 5-6 year-long classes
- Increased time throughout each day and the week for both independent and collaborative coursework
- Built-in time for advisory meetings and other key pieces of our @MHS program

# @MHS 2020-2021 Schedule & Calendar, continued...

- Students set their own work schedules and manage time; faculty and advisors support and coach students in time management
- Designated online collaborative time for students is built into each school day to allow for connections among students across time zones. This time can also be used for individual course study
- There is extended time for meals, breaks, and transitions
- Time is allotted for a modified athletics schedule and a variety of recreational physical activities
- There is additional scheduled open time for students to do whatever they need (take a music lesson, work with a teacher for some extra help, go to the math center, etc.)
- The Wednesday schedule focuses on Horizons, student life, and community programming

# Schedule Will Still Contain Miss Hall's Essentials Including, But Not Limited To...

ISA (International Student Association)

Diversity Coalition

Theatre

Affinity Groups

Horizons

Community Meeting

Spectrum

Essence

Music

Advisory Program

Student Clubs

Athletics and Recreational Sports

Student Life Programming

# Academic Terms @MHS 2020-2021

Term 1 5 weeks	Term 2 5 weeks	Term 3 5 weeks	Term 4 5 weeks	Term 5 5 weeks	Term 6 5 weeks
A Block	C Block	E Block	A Block	C Block	E Block
B Block	D Block	F Block	B Block	D Block	F Block

# Sample 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academic Term Schedule

Term 1 5 weeks	Term 2 5 weeks	Term 3 5 weeks	Term 4 5 weeks	Term 5 5 weeks	Term 6 5 weeks
English I	French I	Algebra I	English I	French I	Algebra I
World History	Intro Physics	Studio Art I	World History	Robotics	Studio Art I

# A Week at a Glance (based on U.S. Eastern Daylight Time)

	Monday/Thursday	Tuesday/Friday	Wednesday
8am-10am	90 minute class block for all <b>online</b> learners: A Block	90 minute class block for all <b>online</b> learners: B Block	
10am-1pm	Lunch & Open time for coursework and other parts of MHS life	Lunch & Open time for coursework and other parts of MHS life	Community Day
1pm-3pm	90 minute class block for all <b>on-campus</b> learners: A Block	90 minute class block for all <b>on-campus</b> learners: B Block	See next slide for details
3pm-4pm	Open time for coursework or other parts of MHS life	Open time for coursework or other parts of MHS life	
4pm-5:30pm	Co-curricular activities / Athletics	Co-curricular activities / Athletics	
5:30pm-7pm	Dinner	Dinner	
8pm-10pm	Virtual Collaboration time for all students / Study Hall	Virtual Collaboration time for all students / Study Hall	

# Wednesdays: A Day for Community

## different schedule, different programming

Community Meeting

Horizons Time for Both Online and  
On-Campus Learners

Collaborative Study Time

Student Life Programming

Theater and Music Ensembles

Health and Wellness

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion  
Programming

Club Meetings

Time with Proctors

Big/Little Programming

# A Day in the Life...

8:00am	Wake up, eat breakfast
8:30am	Head to Linn Hall study room to review precalculus concepts
10:00am	Group advisor meeting in the Klein Arts Building
10:45am	Tune up for my 11:00 guitar lesson in the music wing
11:30am	Eat lunch in the dining room
1:00pm	Class time for all on-campus learners: 90 minute, synchronous meeting for A Block. I have precalculus in room 102
2:30pm	Stay for office hours with my math teacher for some extra help
3:00pm	Meet with other on-campus student members of the Design Club
4:00pm	Yoga class: Deep breathing
5:00pm	Find a nice spot in the library to read for my B Block English III class
6:00pm	Dinner
6:45pm	Down time: Take a walk with my friends, call my dad, respond to emails
8:00pm	Check into study hall; use Zoom to collaborate on an English project with four of my classmates, a mix of both on-campus and online learners
9:00pm	Work on problem sets for precalculus
10:00pm	Dorm time: Check in with my Proctor, get ready for bed, listen to music
10:30pm	Read a book as I fall asleep, lights out until tomorrow

**\*11<sup>th</sup> Grade  
On-Campus  
(all times in U.S.  
Eastern Time)**

**Note:** faculty and  
advisors will actively  
support students in  
their individual time  
management

# A Day in the Life...

## \*11<sup>th</sup> Grade Online Learner (all times in China Standard Time)

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management

7:45am	Grab a quick breakfast
8:00am	Log into my email and check my schedule. Use Zoom to collaborate on an English project with four of my classmates, a mix of both on-campus and online learners (B Block class)
9:00am	Work on problem sets for precalculus (A block class)
10:00am	Fitness break: Go for a run in my neighborhood
11:00am	Open time: Today I spend some time with my family and have lunch outside with a local friend
1:00pm	Find a cozy spot to read and do work for my B Block English III class
3:00pm	Open time: Today I look at the email my peers sent me about Design Club. I start working on our next project
6:00pm	Review concepts before my A Block precalculus class tonight
7:00pm	Have dinner with my family
8:00pm	Log into Zoom class time for all online learners: 90 minute, synchronous meeting for A Block. I have precalculus
9:30pm	Stay online after class to ask my math teacher some questions
10:00pm	Meet virtually with my advisory group
10:45pm	Get ready for bed, read a book to fall asleep, lights out until tomorrow

# Miss Hall's School Academic Calendar 2020-2021

## Notes:

1 - These dates have been changed since the first version of the Academic Calendar.

2 - Day students must follow COVID-19 testing and self-quarantine protocols before return to campus.

3 - Boarding students may request to stay in the dorms during Breaks. Additional fees may apply.

4 - Between Fall and Winter Breaks, all classes will be online to allow boarding students the option to remain at home or with a designated caregiver, thereby minimizing travel to/from campus and the need for quarantine.

5 - It is our intention to resume in-person classes for all students after Winter and Spring Breaks. Should health guidelines and conditions require a staggered return and/or quarantine period(s), we will adjust accordingly.

**August 24-September 19:** Staggered return for all students <sup>1</sup>

**September 8:** Term 1 begins - all classes online 9/8 - 9/18

**September 21:** In-person classes begin - day students may come to campus<sup>2</sup>

**October 16-17:** Virtual Family Days - details to follow

**October 19:** Term 2 begins

**November 21-November 29:** Fall Break<sup>3</sup> - no classes

**November 30:** Term 3 begins<sup>4</sup> - all classes online 11/30 - 12/18

**December 19-January 4:** Winter Break<sup>3</sup> - no classes

**January 4:** Travel day for boarding students - no classes

**January 5:** Term 3 continues - online/in-person classes resume<sup>5</sup>

**January 25:** Term 4 begins

**March 4-14:** Spring Break <sup>1,3</sup> - no classes

**March 15:** Term 5 begins<sup>5</sup>

**April 21:** Term 6 begins

**May 30:** Commencement<sup>1</sup>

**May 31:** Dorms Close at 12:00pm; Summer Vacation begins<sup>1</sup>

# Please Join Us for an Information Session by Zoom to Learn More

**Session 1: 8 a.m. EDT, Tuesday, August 4**

**Session 2: 8 p.m. EDT, Wednesday, August 5**

Each session will include Q&A in breakout groups for:

- Boarding students & families
- Day students & families
- New students & families
- New and returning students & families from China (with translation)
- New and returning students & families from Vietnam (with translation)



# Email us with your questions!

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