Mount Vernon High School
Home of the Majors

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Welcome to BTSN from your MVHS Administrative Team!

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Greetings, my name is Benjamin Correia.

This is my 17th year at MVHS and my 24th year teaching overall.

I am originally from Connecticut and taught 2 years in the town of Woodbury, CT.

I moved to Alexandria Va. in 2000 where I taught 1 year in MD and then 4 years in ACPS

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Curriculum Overview

US/VA History:

Covers events from Exploration to the present.

Units include:

- Early America: Pre and Post Colonization
- The Revolution and building a new nation
- The Civil War and Reconstruction
- Industrialization and Imperialism
- The Great Depression
- World Wars
- The Cold War
- Civil Rights
- 21st Century Events

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Supplies For U.S./VA History

- 3 ring binder
- Writing utensil
- Laptop and Charger
- Online textbook

US/VA History Syllabus

- Grading and Homework Policy
- Course overview
- Course Policies

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WHAT IS A SCHOOL WIDE SQUAD SYSTEM?

A community made up of students, teachers, staff and families working together towards a common goal using team building and positive reinforcement.

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Goal:

Foster a more positive learning environment for students and recognize students Major P.R.I.D.E.

How:

Through the utilization of the LiveSchool app, all MV Staff will be able to recognize students who dis play their Major P.R.I.D.E that aligns with our P.R.I.D.E. Grid for positive behaviors and hard work.

Recognition:

The squad with the most points each quarter will be awarded the coveted MAJOR CUP. In addition, students may save their points to cash-in for a variety of "cool-ish" items.

Support:

In order to sustain this program we will the need the support of our MV community. Please consider making a donation to our PBA program or sponsoring a "cool'ish" big ticket item to be raffled quarterly.

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P.R.I.D.E.	IB Learner Profile	Within our School
Preparation	• Communicators • Inquirers • Knowledgeable • Reflective • Thinkers	• Majors walk with a purpose and; with the goal of arriving to class on-time. • Majors aim to • Majors are available to engage in all aspects of the learning process. • Majors advocate appropriately when they need assistance (academic, behavior, social/emotional). • Majors communicate with teachers and plan in advance for when they are not in class and to follow up on lessons missed.
Respect	• Balanced • Caring • Communicators • Principled • Reflective	• Majors use appropriate tone of voice, word choice/language and body language. • Majors are mindful of their environments and conversations. • Majors respect the boundaries and personal space of others. • Majors greet each other and return greetings to others. • Majors follow the expectations set forth by teachers in their classrooms & the SR&R.
Integrity	• Balanced • Communicators • Open mindness • Principled	• Majors are truthful and courageous enough to communicate with staff/peers. • Majors are responsible and accountable for their actions and success. • Majors are mindful of others and respect diverse perspectives. • Majors are aware of their behaviors and how their behaviors can impact others.
Determination	• Communicators • Inquirers • Knowledgeable • Risk-Takers	• Majors are committed and present in the moment. • Majors follow through with assigned tasks. • Majors complete tasks to the best of their abilities. • Majors persevere through difficult situations, tasks, conflicts and roadblocks and promptly communicate with teachers/staff for assistance.
Excellence	• Balanced • Inquirers • Communicators • Knowledgeable • Reflective • Risk-Takers	• Majors show maximum effort in all that they do. • Majors strive to create balance between school and home and minimize distractions. • Majors self-reflect as they grow and develop into life-long learners. • Majors are able to self-regulate their actions in order to accomplish goals. • Majors are team players and are always willing to lend a hand.

Communicator - Collaborator - Ethical & Global Citizen - Creative & Critical Thinker- Goal Directed & Resilient Individual