

MVHS Military Family Support Terms to Know!

Academy	<p>A high school academy is a center within an existing high school that offers advanced technical and specialized courses that successfully integrate career and academic preparation. Advanced technical and specialized elective courses are available at the Academies for students interested in pursuing careers in International Studies and Business; Engineering and Scientific Technology; Health and Human Services; or Communications and the Arts.</p> <p>Click here for more information!</p>
AP (Advanced Placement)	<p>The AP program is a challenging academic program designed to provide motivated high school students with college-level academic courses.</p> <p>Click here for more information!</p> <p>Note: MVHS is an IB World School; only some AP classes are offered. Please check to see which IB classes are offered!</p>
Dual Enrollment	<p>Dual Enrollment courses allow high school students to earn credit toward their high school diploma and college credit at the same time. The number of credits that a student may earn in a high school course varies from course to course.</p> <p>Click here for more information!</p>
FCPS	<p>Fairfax County Public Schools</p> <p>Click here for more information!</p>
Flex	<p>During the second block on odd days, we rotate or “flex” to two classes for additional support time for 45 minutes. As we include Major Time (3rd period) in each flex rotation, students flex back to their classes approximately twice a month.</p>
“The Highway”	<p>The Rt 1 Corridor through Alexandria, Virginia</p>
IB (International Baccalaureate)	<p>The International Baccalaureate program offers a rigorous course of study that meets the needs of highly motivated students. It provides students of different linguistic, cultural, and educational backgrounds with the intellectual, social, and critical perspectives necessary for the adult world that lies ahead of them. IB provides students with perspectives and opportunities that can enable them to succeed in the competitive, modern world.</p>

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Major Time	Mount Vernon’s “homeroom” or “advisory” time. Major Time meets weekly (or as needed) during the second block (3rd period) on odd days.
Schoology	Schoology (SKOO -luh-jee) is the learning management system that will be used divisionwide beginning in July 2021. It is a learning space that supports instructional practices aligned to the FCPS Learning model and helps students reach the Portrait of a Graduate goals. Click here for more information.
SIS	The Student Information System (SIS) supports all aspects of a student’s educational experience and includes demographic data and information related to scheduling, attendance, discipline, health, grades, test results, and academic programs. SIS is a secure, web-based system accessible by staff, students, and parents. Click here for more information!
SOLs	The state Standard of Learning for Virginia. SOLs is also the name of state assessments. Be sure to speak with your counselor of which (if any) SOL tests are needed!
WISE	The WISE financial literacy exam is not required, but is highly recommended. This test meets the certification graduation requirement for those students who are earning a standard diploma.
WorkKeys	Reading and Writing Tests only 12th graders may take to earn verified credit for graduation.