

Helpful Names and Numbers

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Principal: Gwen Bacon, Grade 12

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Learning Center: Rm. 209

9th Grade Common Agreements/Expectations

Academic Expectations: Students will meet their individual goals and become independent learners through successful achievement in:

- reading,
- communication,
- problem solving, and
- numeracy

Social Expectations:

- students will assume responsibility for their actions and accept the rewards and/or consequences
- students will respect themselves and others; treat others as they would like to be treated
- students will peacefully manage and resolve conflict

Civic Expectations:

- students will know and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship
- students will contribute to the well-being of the family, school, local, and global communities; become productive members of society

Homework is an extension of the classroom and learning through preparation, practice and enrichment.

- All academic courses will have regularly assigned homework.
- Homework is due on the day it was assigned to be turned in. Extensions will only be granted for extenuating circumstances that prevent you from completing the assignment on time.
- Grading of homework is determined by each teacher's grading policy. Late work may result in a reduction of the grade earned.

Being on time for class: there is an expectation that students will arrive to class on time as learning begins when the last bell has rung; many teachers begin each class with a warm up activity and being late to class may prevent you from participating in that activity.

TOOLS FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Below are some helpful suggestions on having a successful experience at Messalonskee High School. There are many supports in place to help you when face academic challenges.

Learning Center: supports instruction at Messalonskee High School. Staffed by content specific teachers as well as an ed tech, the LC offers a supportive learning environment in which students are able to work one-on-one with a teacher on a variety of academic tasks, including help with homework, test preparation, researching for and writing a paper, etc. Students may also be assigned to the Learning Center during their study hall.

After School Program: Two nights a week (Wednesday and Thursday) students may stay after school and receive individual instruction/tutorial in specific content courses.

Homeroom Tutorial: Students may meet with a teacher during their homeroom to get additional support.

Before/After School: Students are encouraged to arrange a time to meet with a teacher before or after school.

GRADING SCALE

The basis for the academic achievement mark is the teacher's evaluation of the quality of a student's performance in a subject. Halfway through each quarter your parents can view your grades on Parent Portal and gain a better understanding of where you are in your courses. At the end of each quarter your report card will be mailed home to your parents.

90-100	A-Superior
80-89	B-Above Average
70-79	C-Average
60-69	D-Below Average
Less than 60	F-Failure, not credit

School Safety

The faculty and staff at Messalonskee High School want every student to feel safe at school. To ensure your safety, students are asked to follow the rules listed below.

1. Violence, vandalism, and harassment are not tolerated and will result in an external suspension ranging from 3 days to 10 days.
2. **As an underclassman you are not permitted to leave the building unless you have been dismissed through the office.**
3. If at any time you feel unsafe or have seen someone being bullied or harassed please see an administrator as soon as possible.