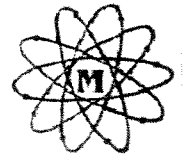




The Class of 2019 INCOMING SENIOR CLASS PARENT NIGHT

February 22, 2018
6:00 PM - MHS Cafeteria



Amy Hutchinson, *Assistant Principal*

- Welcome
- Graduation Requirements
- Cum Laude Recognition
- Commencement Ceremony Information/Timeline
- Credit Protection Recovery
- Explanation of Break-out Sessions

Break-Out Sessions - 25 Minutes Each

(Please select 2 of the 3 sessions listed below)

Nancy Bussineau and Misty Theisen, *Counselors*

Little Theatre

- Career/College Advisor
- College Application Process
- College Visits
- Job Shadowing
- MHS Website – Counseling Page & FaceBook
- Scholarships & Financial Aid
- Transcripts/Parchment

Craig Hawkins, *Counselor*

Rm #135

- SAT/Workkeys/M-STEP Testing
- Advance Placement Testing & Registration
- International Baccalaureate Testing & Registration

Andrea Jozwiak, *CTE Lead Teacher*

Rm #137

- Career and Technical Education
- Off-site Programs
- Articulated Credit
- Co-Op Program
- Dual Enrollment
- BAISD Career Center (*Bay Arenac Intermediate School District*)

Comments or Questions?

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Timeline for Junior/Senior Transition

Spring/Summer of Junior Year:

- SAT, Workkeys, M-Step
- Registration and training on Parchment (transcript request) www.parchment.com. Do not send your transcripts until you have applied to your college of choice (training in computer lab)
- Keep all of this information in a folder
- Make teachers aware if you are using them for a recommendation when applying to colleges/universities (give them at least a two week notice, if asking for a letter of recommendation)
- College search (on-line and visits) – think about: size, location (rural, city), cost, loans, transportation, work opportunities, living at home, etc.
- Take ACT if needed
- Retake SAT in June if needed
- Begin college applications (end of August through October)

Fall of Senior Year:

- Complete college applications online
- **After you apply to a college** – go to www.parchment.com and request your transcript to be sent to the college(s) of your choice
- Send your SAT score to college/universities – **Collegeboard.org**
- Retake SAT during October – December if needed
- College Nights at Northwood University, Bay Arenac and Saginaw Valley State University
- Scholarships - check weekly in the counseling center, on the website and listen to announcements
- Cap/gown/pictures and invitation order in the main office – listen to announcements
- Complete your FAFSA application

Second Semester of Senior Year (January)

- At mid-year colleges/universities may request 7th semester transcripts – request your transcript through Parchment (important: choose “**HOLD for Grades**”)
- Make final decision and down payment on your choice of college/universities
- Continue to search for scholarships
- Attend Financial Aid Informational Meeting at MHS (February)
- Complete and submit FAFSA (*if not yet completed*)
- Graduation
- June – Final transcripts sent through Parchment for any college that is requesting one
- Change your e-mail address on Parchment to your personal, individual e-mail

Campus Visit Checklist

Visiting a college campus helps you get a sense of what a college — and life at that college — is like. This can help you decide whether the college is right for you.

GATHER INFORMATION

Find out what you need to do to apply, and see if the college's class and major offerings are what you want:

- Take part in a group information session at the admission office.
- Interview with an admission officer.
- Pick up financial aid forms.
- Sit in on a class that interests you. If classes aren't in session, just see what the classrooms are like.
- Meet a professor who teaches a subject that interests you.
- Talk to students about what they think of their classes and professors.
- Get the names and business cards of the people you meet so you can contact them later if you have questions.

EXPLORE THE CAMPUS

Get a feel for student life, and see if this college is a place where you will do well:

- Take a campus tour.
- Talk to current students about the college and life on campus.
- Check out the freshman dorms, and stay overnight with a student, if possible.
- Visit the dining hall, fitness center, library, career center, bookstore, and other campus facilities.
- Talk to the coaches of sports that you may want to play.
- Walk or drive around the community surrounding the campus.

CHECK OUT CAMPUS MEDIA

Tune in to learn what's happening on campus and what's on students' minds:

- Listen to the college radio station.
- Read the student newspaper.
- Scan bulletin boards to see what daily student life is like.
- Go to the career center and learn what services it offers.
- Browse the school's website and any campus blogs.
- Read other student publications, such as department newsletters, alternative newspapers, and literary reviews.

GET THE MOST OUT OF A CAMPUS VISIT IN 6 STEPS

1 DECIDE WHERE AND HOW

See if your school arranges group trips to colleges or if you could get a group of friends together and visit the campus. A family trip is another option and allows you to involve your family in the process.

2 PREPARE FOR YOUR VISIT

Before you set out, get a map of the college campus and pick out places of interest. Call the college's admission office to schedule a guided tour of the campus.

3 TAKE YOUR OWN TOUR

Just wandering around the campus on your own or with friends can be the best way to get a feel for what a college is like.

4 EXPLORE THE FACILITIES

Find the spots on campus where students gather or ask a student where the best place to eat is to get a feel for the character of the college. Visit the library and check out the gym or theater. Ask an admission officer if you can tour a dorm and a classroom.

5 MAKE CONNECTIONS

Talk to current students. Ask the students at the next table or sitting nearby what they like best about the college.

6 TAKE NOTES

During your visit, write down some notes about your experience. What did you see that excited you? Are there aspects of the college that you don't like? If so, what are they?

Questions to Ask During Your Visit:

ASK TOUR GUIDES/STUDENTS

- What are the best reasons to go to this college?
- What's it like to go from high school to college?
- What do you do in your free time? On the weekends?
- What do you love about this college?
- What do you wish you could change about this college?
- Why did you choose this college?
- What is it like to live here?
- What does the college do to promote student involvement in campus groups, extracurricular activities, or volunteerism?

ASK PROFESSORS

- What are the best reasons to go to this college?
- Can a student be mentored by professors, graduate students, or upperclassmen?
- How are professors rated by the college? Does the college think mentoring and meetings for project guidance are important?
- How does the college help students have access to professors outside class? Do professors join students for lunch, help with community service groups, or guide student organizations?
- How many students do research or other kinds of projects for a semester or more?

ASK THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

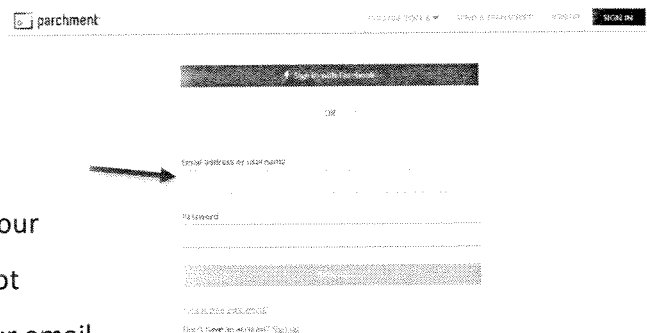
- How much has your total college cost for each student risen in the past year?
- How much do your students usually end up owing when they graduate?
- What is the average income of graduates who had the same major that interests me?
- Will my costs go up when your tuition goes up, or can we use the same tuition rate I started with so I'll know the costs for four years?
- How many students usually graduate in the major that interests me? How long do these students usually take to get their degree? In what ways does the college help students graduate in four years?

Sending Your Transcripts through Parchment

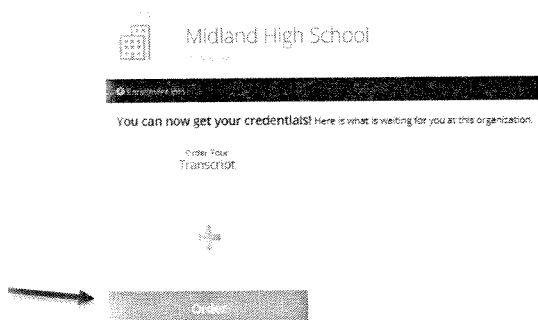
1. Go to: www.parchment.com

2. Sign in:

- Use your personal email address
- Create your own password or it might be your first initial and school ID. If not, click “forgot your password” and one will be sent to your email.



3. Click on the green “Order” button to **order your transcript:**

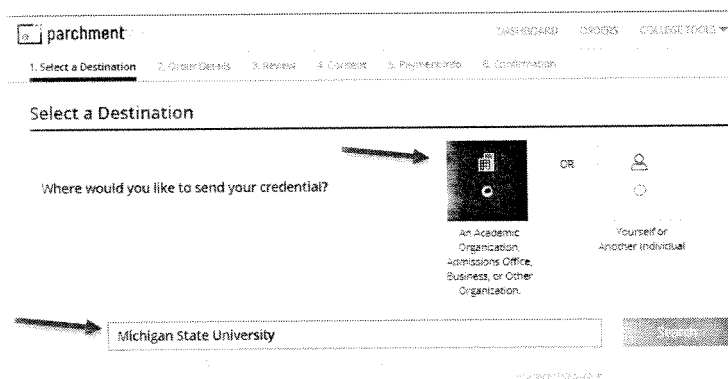


4. **Select A Destination:**

Where would you like to send your credential?

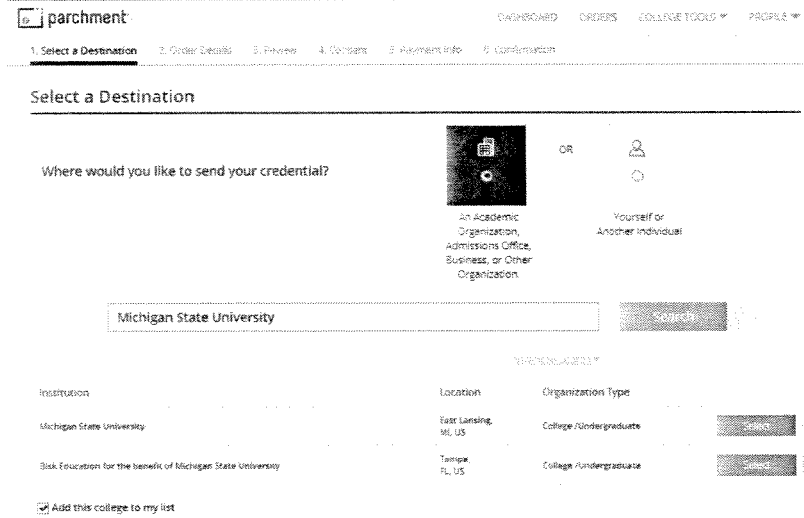
- Click: “An Academic Organization, Admissions Office, Business, or Other Organization”

- Enter Institution Name
Ex: *Michigan State University*



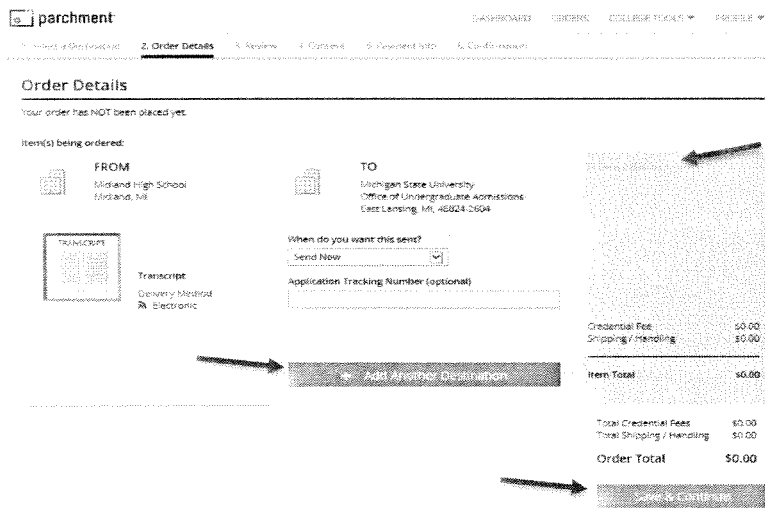
- Click: “Search”

5. A list of Institutions with that name appears. Click the “Select” button next to the correct Institution:



6. Order Details: Edit, Remove, or Add Another Destination

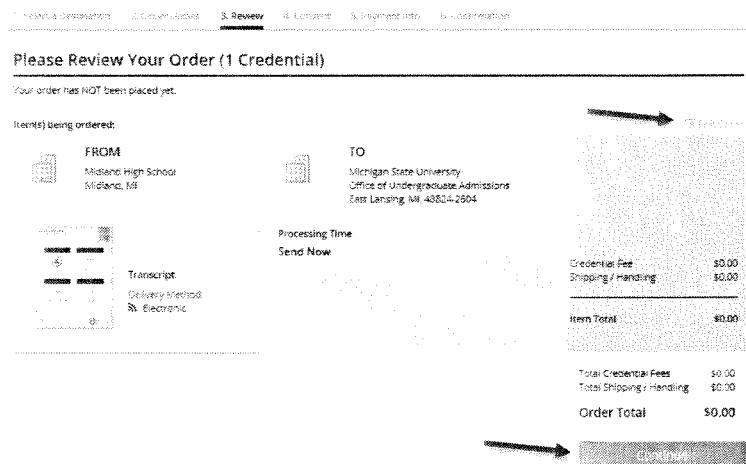
- Select “Delete this item” to remove a Destination
- Select “Add Another Destination” to send transcript to more than one Institution; there is no limit



- When you are finished selecting all of your Destinations click “Save & Continue”

7. Please Review Your Order

- If you need to make a change, select “Edit Order”
- If your order is correct, select “Continue”



8. Provide Consent