THE MIDLAND COMMUNITY
Midland is Michigan’s sixth largest city in area and is over 40,000 in population. The Dow Chemical Company and the Dow Corning Corporation, the largest employers in the city, merged in 2015. Northwood University, Central Michigan-Midland Center and Davenport University are located in Midland. Delta Community College and Saginaw Valley State University are nearby. There are many recreational opportunities such as more than 2,000 acres of city parks, the famous Dow Gardens, 520-acre City Forest, Chippewa Nature Center, the Community Center, indoor and outdoor ice rinks, two municipal swimming pools, a tennis center, a municipal golf course and the home of the Loons’ baseball team, Dow Diamond. The Center for the Arts and Grace A. Dow Memorial Library are two major cultural resources. There are six elementary, two middle, and two high schools with total enrollment of approximately 7,710 students. Education is strongly supported. This is due in part because a high number of residents possess college degrees, many with advanced and professional degrees.

MIDLAND HIGH SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS
Midland High School is a comprehensive four-year public high school. It graduated its 142nd class in June 2017. The current building first opened to students in September 1956 and is situated on 50 acres of land.

The instructional/administrative staff includes approximately 83 full and part-time members with an additional 23 support staff members. All teachers are certified by the State of Michigan to teach the courses assigned in accordance with the standards for highly qualified status. Core classes average approximately 27 students and the student-counselor ratio is 440 – 1.

CURRICULUM
Students follow the Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) for Math, Science, Language Arts, World Language and Social Studies. Additionally, programs are offered in Business, Career/Technology, Health, Life Management and Special Education.

Courses (listed on other side) offered at various levels of depth and scope are indicated by the second digit of the course number. Special education courses are specified by a 0 or 1, and standard college preparatory courses and most vocational business courses by a 2. Accelerated course numbers will have a 3, and honors courses a 4, and an “A” or “H” descriptor will be placed by the course title on the transcript. Honors courses earn one additional honor point and accelerated courses earn sixth tenths (.6) of an additional honor point per credit hour. With guidance, students may select accelerated and honors courses in many subject areas.

Advanced Placement
In the May 2017 testing period, ninety-eight students completed Advanced Placement exams in 16 subject areas with a total of 159 tests taken by these students. Of these tests, 130 (81%) were at or above (scores of 3, 4, 5) the level recommended by the College Board for college credit.

Class of 2018 Graduation Requirements
Credit hours are required in the following subjects:

- 4 English/Lang. Arts
- 3 Mathematics
- 2 Science
- 3 Social Studies
- 2 World Language
- .5 Health/Wellness
- .5 Physical Education
- 1 Visual, Performing, Applied Art
- 4 General Electives*

Total = 22 Credit Hours

JUNE CLASS OF 2017
Number of Graduates: 299
Average Non-Weighted GPA 3.1
Average Weighted GPA 3.3

National Merit Letter of Commendation Winners: 3

Scholarships
In 2017 students received over $4 million in scholarship money.

Further Education
Approximately 63% of our students apply to a 4-year college/university and 27% to a two-year college/university.

Cum Laude Recognition
Midland High School uses the national standard Cum Laude to recognize the academic efforts of our students. The Cum Laude system distinguishes student academic performance at three levels:

- Summa Cum Laude 4.50 GPA and above
- Magna Cum Laude 4.20 – 4.49 GPA
- Cum Laude 3.80 – 4.19 GPA

Class of 2017:
- Summa Cum Laude *** 17 Students
- Magna Cum laude ** 17 Students
- Cum Laude * 63 Students

International Baccalaureate
Midland High School became an International Baccalaureate World School in April of 2007 and began offering IB diploma coursework in the fall of 2007. MHS offers 22 IB courses in eight subject areas. The first IB Diploma candidates graduated in June of 2009. IB courses are an integrated part of the MPS curriculum and are consistent with the accelerated and honors offerings of the district.

The International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) released student scores for the May 2017 examination session. Nine students completed the diploma requirements and all nine earned scores that awarded the IB Diploma. This success rate is well above the world average of 80%.

Eighty-four MHS students completed the requirements for 154 certificates in Biology, English, French, History, Mathematics, Psychology, Physics, Spanish and Visual Arts. Of those certificates, 145 (94%) were reported as 4 or higher on a scale of 1-7. An IBO score of 4 or higher is considered passing in a subject area.

This was the 10th year of participation for Midland High School and the 9th year for students to be eligible to earn the full IB Diploma.