

**2019-2020**  
**Morton High School Profile**  
www.mhs.morton709.org

**Superintendent:** Dr. Jeff Hill  
**Principal:** Mrs. Deidre Ripka  
**CEEB Code:** 143-010

**Profile of school and community:**

Morton High School is a comprehensive 4-year high school serving students in the communities of Morton and Groveland. These communities encourage academic excellence, as well as support the fine arts and athletics. Along with the high school, the entire school district is composed of four elementary schools and one junior high. Several private and parochial schools feed into Morton High School.

**Curriculum:**

With over 150 courses available to Morton High School students, they are afforded the luxuries of a large school in a setting that allows for individualized help and an academically oriented environment. Of these classes, 28 are Honors Level and must go through a rigorous auditing process every 5 years. Dual credit classes offered at Morton High School through Illinois Central College are Advanced Speech, Earth Science/Intro to Geology-H, Economics, Expository Writing-H, and Introduction to Astronomy-H. We offer the following Advanced Placement courses: AP Biology-H, AP Calculus AB-H, AP Computer Science Principles-H, AP Physics-H, AP Spanish 4-H, and AP Statistics-H. The following course is AP and dual credit: AP Chemistry-Honors. Morton High School has seven class periods per day, 48 minutes per period.

Morton High School is recognized as one of the state leaders in the Project Lead the Way curriculum. This pre-engineering program was established to assist schools in developing students with the knowledge needed to succeed in engineering and technology-based careers. Currently, Morton High School has one certified teacher and offers 5 classes: Introduction to Engineering Design-H, Digital Electronics, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Principles of Engineering, and Computer Integrated Manufacturing.. These courses are noted on the transcript with a PLTW.

U.S. News and World Report has recognized Morton High School as one of America's Best Schools. In this ranking, Morton High School has earned silver status for three consecutive years. Most recently, MHS was ranked 79th within the state of Illinois.

**2019-2020 Student Enrollments:**

Senior (Class of 2020): 237  
Total Student Body: 972

**Ranking System:** Morton High School students are not ranked.

**GPA:** GPA is reported on a 45-point scale. A 4.0 conversion chart is provided on the back of transcripts.

**Grading Scale:**

93-100	A
85-92	B
77-84	C
70-76	D
69 and below	F

**Test Scores for the Class of 2020:**

100% of our current senior class took the SAT test.  
Our average scores are as follows:

Test	Score
Reading	28.0
Writing	28.0
Math	28.0
Section	Score
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	557
Math	566
<b>Total Score</b>	<b>1122</b>

**GPA Range for the Class of 2020:**

	Weighted GPA	4.0 Conversion
<b>Top 25%</b>	33.3594-40.3731	4.250-5.0
<b>Middle 50%</b>	24.0806-33.3333	3.125-4.250
<b>Bottom 25%</b>	10.1500-24.0441	1.375-3.125

**Awards for the Class of 2019:**

Illinois State Scholars: 35

**Post-Secondary Plans for the Class of 2019:**

2 year college	39%
4 year college	52%
Military	4%
Vocational Schools	3%
Work	2%

**Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2020:**

A total of 20 credits are required for graduation, including the following:

**4 credits of English** (LA9, LA10, Speech, LA11, senior electives)

**3 credits of Math** (Algebra 1 and Geometry content)

**2 credits of Social Studies** (Civics, U.S. History, and one Social Studies elective)

**2 credits of Science**

**2.25 credits of Physical Education and Health**

**.25 credit of Driver Education**

**.5 credit Consumer Ed., Resource Management, or CHI**

**1 credit of Fine Arts, Vocational, or Modern Language**

**.5 credit Technology Related Course**

## DEPARTMENT COURSES

**Art** Art 1 Art 2 2-D Art 3-D Art Ceramics & Sculpture  
Drawing Photography Independent Study

**Business** Career Exploration  
Computer Applications Desktop Publishing  
Introduction to Business Sports and Entertainment  
Marketing Consumer Education Economics 1—Dual  
CHI (Co-op Program) Independent Study

**Computer Science**  
AP Computer Science Principles-H Computer  
Science A Independent Study

**Drivers Education and Behind the Wheel**

**Family and Consumer Ed.**  
Creative Fashions 1,2 Foods 1,2 Culinary Arts  
Internship Parenting/Child Development Housing and  
Interior Design Human Relationships Resource  
Management

**Technology Education and Engineering**  
Energy Utilization and Home Repair Graphic  
Communications 1 Graphic Communications 2  
Multimedia Design Production Technology  
Transportation Technology Automotive Technician  
Fabrication Technology Independent Study

**Project Lead the Way:**  
PLTW-Intro to Engineering Design-H PLTW-Digital  
Electronics  
PLTW-Civil Engineering and Architecture PLTW-Principles  
of Engineering PLTW-Computer Integrated Manufacturing

**Language Arts** LA9 or LA9—H  
LA10 or LA10—H Speech Language Arts 11  
American Studies-H Advanced Speech—Dual  
Creative Writing Drama Journalistic Writing Novels  
Novels—H World Literature Expository Writing—H,  
Dual

**Mathematics** Algebra 1A  
Algebra 1 or Algebra 1—H Informal Geometry  
Geometry or Geometry—H Algebra with Career  
Applications Algebra 2 or Algebra 2—H AP  
Statistics—H Pre-Calculus—H AP Calculus AB—H  
Independent Study

**Modern Language** French 1,2,3-H,4-H  
Spanish 1,2,3-H,AP 4-H

**Music** Concert Band  
Marching Band Woodwinds & Brass Marching Band  
Guard & Percussion Symphonic Band Wind  
Ensemble Chamber Choir Concert Strings  
Symphonic Strings

**Physical Education** Health  
Physical Education Strength and Conditioning

**Science** Biology or Biology—H  
Chemistry or Chemistry—H Earth Science/Geology  
Earth Science/Geology-H, Dual  
Meteorology and Space Science Intro to  
Astronomy-H, Dual Conceptual Physics  
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Astronomy-H, Dual Conceptual Physics  
AP Physics—H AP Chemistry—H, Dual AP  
Biology—H  
AP Physics—H AP Chemistry—H, Dual AP  
Biology—H  
AP Physics—H AP Chemistry—H, Dual AP  
Biology—H

**Social Studies** Elements of Geography  
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World Geography Civics or Civics—H Sociology  
World History AP World History—H American  
Problems U.S. History American Studies—H AP  
Comparative Political Systems-H, Dual  
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Central College H=Honors Course AP=Advanced  
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