

MILAN HIGH SCHOOL

2008-09 Annual Report

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Introduction

Milan High School serves the educational needs of students in grades 9-12. A total of approximately 930 students are enrolled, including 20 at the Alternative Education Program, as of September 2007. MHS welcomed 90 new students to the building for the start of the 2008-2009 school year.

MHS has a professional staff of 55, includes two deans, a counselor, six AP teachers, six special education teachers and two administrators. We share a school psychologist, social worker, and speech and language therapist with the other levels. MHS also has a total of nine teaching assistants and five secretaries to support our teaching efforts.

There are a wide variety of opportunities for educational, emotional and social growth are offered at the high school. Our curriculum offerings include several challenging opportunities in the core academic areas, including Advanced Placement (AP) Biology, AP Physics, AP Calculus, AP Government, AP Eng. Language, AP Chemistry and AP English. Our students complete four years of English and Social Studies and three years of Math and Science to meet graduation requirements.

The high school has a wide range of elective offerings for our students. These offerings include art, pottery, graphic arts, business and technology courses, and foreign languages (French and Spanish). Students also have opportunities for dual enrollment (taking college courses for high school and college credit), on-line courses, and consortium courses (vocational programming). Milan High also is a member of the Early College

Alliance, and has 25 students enrolled at the ECA on Eastern Michigan's campus this fall.

Beyond the normal school day, students may choose to become involved in many extracurricular activities in the arenas of athletic competition, performance based activities for academic pursuits, and student socialization. Over half of our students are involved in athletics, and another 40% in clubs, music, and theater!

Our mission statement summarizes the purpose we serve.

Milan High School will prepare young people to fill beneficial roles in today's and tomorrow's society.

Our staff has re-committed itself to this mission, and has set a goal of providing academically relevant and developmentally appropriate instruction to each and every child. Through instruction, culture and efficiency, our school has set goals of improvement for each grade level.

Some of our Points of Pride from 07-08

-- Milan seniors earned over 50 local scholarships worth more than \$90,000 for their performance in the classroom and school

-- Milan High saw its ACT average jump a half point up to 19.1 for this senior class!

-- More than 57% of our seniors finished with an AP/Dual Enrollment course last spring!

-- Huron League Championships were won in Football, Boys Track, Girls Track, Girls Cross-Country, Girls Swim and Boys Swim!

- Maura Donahue won a state championship in swimming!
- Mrs. Briggs earned the Educational Excellence Award from MASB for her Leadership & Mentoring Courses!
- Mr. Tom Fahlstrom was selected as an AP English Reader.
- Mrs. Julie Mossburg was awarded the prestigious MEEMIC grant for her work in science (\$1000) Ms. Sue Kohfeldt was selected for the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program.
- Mr. Clint Kraft was honored as Herff Jones Teacher of the Year at Milan High.
- Student Mark Smith earned the South & West Consortium Building Trades Outstanding Student Award.
- Student Merchell Hunt earned Consortium Early Childhood Education Award.
- Student Andrew Bellers was chosen to participate in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival.
- Choir students Kyle Anderson, Marrassa LeClair, Bethany Anderson, Kaity Hill and Megan Snyder earned 1st Division Ratings for an Excellent Performance
- Band students Garrison Mull, Ryan Carpus, Kyle Anderson, Joey Cadagin, Kathryn Allore, Myles Martin, Joseph Martin, Audrey Ing, Allison Sell, Nicole Smith, Blake LaFuente, Nathan Das and Dylan Shearer all earned First Division Ratings at the state competition.
- Three choir students were selected to represent Milan High School in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival All-State Choir. Congrats to Bethany Anderson, Kyle Anderson and Marrassa LeClair.
- Athletic Department Won the All-Sports Season Award for Boys' Fall Season
- Student Ron Spears was named the Player of the Year by Ann Arbor News for his fine season.
- Craig Zupi was named as one of the Assistant Coaches of the Year by his Coaches Association!
- Student Tevyn Cole was recognized as a Top 100 Disney Dreamer!
- The softball team won a district title!
- Students Paul Lovelace and Nicholas Mitchell were named National Merit Semi-Finalists. A third student, Katie Borema, was recognized as a Commended Status honoree.
- Eleven Milan students were honored by the College Board and AP for their work on AP tests. Six students earned "AP Scholar" status for receiving a "3" or higher on three or more exams.

NCA Accreditation

Milan High School continues to be fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. NCA is a 19-state accreditation body that is the most widely recognized school accreditation organization in the country. This fall, NCA honored Milan High School with a certificate recognizing 75 years of NCA certification.

With the 2008 school year, the high school set areas of focus and strategies for improvement for the goals of career development, critical thinking and reading.

School Improvement

Milan High School is conducting several improvement initiatives throughout the building. As a part of the district improvement plan, the English department is currently under curriculum review. This is a district-wide process to evaluate the the current curriculum and address any areas of weakness or need. Each classroom at Milan High is equipped with a LCD projector and webster board. Twenty of the rooms have the CPS system as well. MHS has six 30-unit wireless laptop carts, two 24-station thin client computer labs, and two other 24-station computer labs for students.

Milan High is focused on improving literacy. Staff members have been trained in the Reading Apprenticeship (RA) approach and more than 10 teachers have been training in EBLLI, a reading strategies program based in Flint. The EBLLI program helps struggling readers to overcome disabilities and deficiencies. RA is an across-the curricular focus.

Milan High School MME Outcomes

Here is information from the MME testing at Milan High School from 2007-08.

Michigan Merit Examination:

Level 1: Endorsed – Exceeded Michigan Standards

Level 2: Endorsed – Met Michigan Standards

Level 3: Endorsed – At Basic Level

Level 4: Not Endorsed

(Scores reflect percentages in each senior class—not percentages.)

Math	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Level 4</u>
2008	10%	44%	16%	29%
2007	10%	38%	18%	34%
Reading	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Level 4</u>
2008	2%	63%	21%	14%
2007	1%	59%	22%	18%
Science	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Level 4</u>
2008	6%	55%	20%	19%
2007	5%	54%	15%	26%
Social Studies	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Level 4</u>
2008	39%	45%	39%	4%
2007	39%	49%	7%	5%
Writing	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Level 4</u>
2008	3%	37%	52%	8%
2007	2%	36%	51%	11%

National Test Information

College Entrance ACT: Once again Milan High is above the nation-wide ACT composite average and tied with the state average!

2007-2008	<u>English</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Composite</u>
Milan	18.4	19.2	19.7	20.2	19.5
State	18.7	19.5	19.8	19.9	19.6

Adequate Yearly Progress – Milan High successfully made AYP in 07-8!

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), as defined by the state and federal governments, is only based on two of the four MME tests. Social Studies and Science scores are not included in calculating a building’s AYP status. According to Michigan’s definition of AYP, students who scored in Level 1 or Level 2 on the English Language Arts or Mathematics tests met the AYP requirements for that specific test. Other indicators used to determining AYP include high school graduation rates as well as student attendance at the elementary and middle school levels. Milan High School’s average daily attendance ranges from 99% to 81%. **Therefore, Milan High School meets this AYP requirement as well.**

Milan High School earns a B in EdYes – Michigan's Accreditation System for 06-07.

Milan High earned an **B** from the EdYes system – as did all buildings for Milan Area Schools. The B reflects an outstanding report for “Indicators for School Performance” where Milan High earned in the 90 percent range. Milan High was also boosted by great scores in the math department!

Parent Participation

Milan High School is proud of the involvement of our parents in our school. Both the Open House and the parent-teacher conferences had over 30% parent involvement, and our parents are greater supporters of our student events. This year's Open House saw over 20 percent of our parents attend.

A Highly Qualified Staff

The teaching staff at Milan High School provides a excellent education to their students. Milan High School's teaching staff are all highly qualified by the standards set by the state and federal government's No Child Left Behind.

Information:

Graduation Rate:	Drop Out Rate:	Parent-Teacher Conf. Attendance	AP/Dual Enrollment
81.46%	11%	32%	57% of seniors

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