



# MacArthur High School\*

Opening School Year 2023-24



202-299-5506



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4530 MacArthur Blvd NW

*\*final name to be determined*



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# School Overview

**Enrollment begins  
March 31, 2023!**



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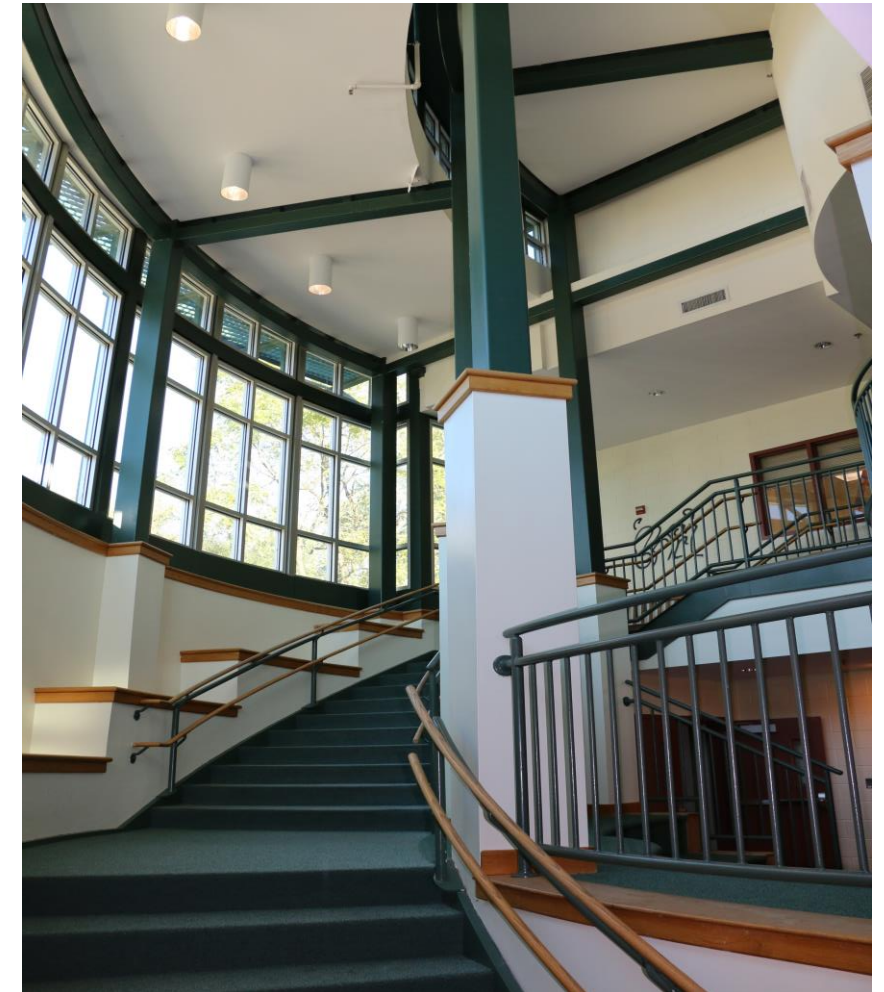
School Type

Comprehensive Neighborhood  
High School



SY23-24 Enrollment Goals

9th grade: 200 students  
10th grade: 50 students



# About MacArthur, DCPS's Newest Comprehensive High School

As a **comprehensive neighborhood high school**, MacArthur will offer:

- Rigorous academics
- Advanced Placement courses
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Academies
- Innovative programming in the Arts; and
- Wide range of athletic and club options shaped by student interest.

By enrolling in MacArthur at its founding, the first cohorts of students will have access to exceptional leadership opportunities and will help to shape the character of DCPS's newest HS.

**MacArthur High School is looking for 9th and 10th graders for School Year 2023-24! We've set our goals to enroll 200 students for 9th grade and 50 students for 10th grade for our inaugural year.**



# Meet Dr. Harold McCray, Founding Principal



**18 years in Education:** 14 years in Prince George's County and 4 years in DCPS



**Experience Leading** Elementary & High School,  
Taught Middle School Math & Science



Philadelphia Native and Fan of the Philadelphia Eagles



Wife and two daughters



Member of Several Organizations (NASSP, NAESP, Real Men Teach, etc.)



# Who's Eligible to Attend MacArthur?

MacArthur HS is proud to be DCPS' newest neighborhood high school, accepting 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders for SY23-24!



## HARDY MS AND IN-BOUNDARY STUDENTS

Current Hardy 8<sup>th</sup> grade or those who live in-boundary will have a guaranteed right to attend MacArthur and can directly enroll beginning **March 31, 2023**. A My School DC application is **not** required.



## DEAL, OYSTER-ADAMS AND JACKSON-REED (9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE)

Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from Deal MS and Oyster-Adams EC, and current 9<sup>th</sup> grade students at Jackson-Reed HS will **receive a transfer preference** through the lottery. A My School DC application is **required** at <https://apply.myschooldc.dc.gov/> by February 1, 2023.



## DISTRICT WIDE STUDENTS

Students who do not attend Hardy MS or live outside of the MacArthur boundary can apply through the My School DC Lottery at <https://apply.myschooldc.dc.gov/>. MacArthur HS will also offer **Equitable Access Designated Seats** for eligible applicants.

**My School DC HS applications are due Feb. 1! MacArthur will begin Enrollment for Prospective Students on March 31.**

# Consider MacArthur



**Smaller, more intimate setting** - Ease into high school! MacArthur will only host approximately 250 9th and 10th grade students in SY-2023.



**Setting up a new school, new culture** - Students will be key decision makers in setting culture, creating clubs and leading athletics. Imagine being a varsity sport captain in 10<sup>th</sup> grade!



**Stand out - A smaller student body** will give students the opportunity to form close bonds with their peers, teachers, and principal!



**Students Considering Selective Schools/Private/Charters** - MacArthur expects to compete on every level by providing an intimate and rigorous academic experience.

# Graduation Excellence at MacArthur

All students must meet the DCPS graduation requirements. MacArthur will ensure all students meet our standard of excellence and have the support they need to thrive.

MacArthur will offer on-level and accelerated courses in all core subjects, at least 2 world languages, art and music, Career and Technical Education Academies, and electives. All students will also be supported to complete the District of Columbia's Community Service Requirement by graduation.

The following slides outline initial programming considerations for students at MacArthur.

DCPS Graduation Requirements	
Subject	Credit
<b>English</b>	4.0 credits
<b>Math</b> (including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II)	4.0 credits
<b>Science</b> (must include three lab sciences)	4.0 credits
<b>Social Studies</b> (must include World History 1 and 2, United States History; United States Government, and District of Columbia History)	4.0 credits
<b>World Language</b>	2.0 credits
<b>Art</b>	0.5 credits
<b>Music</b>	0.5 credits
<b>Health and PE</b>	1.5 credits
<b>Electives</b>	3.5 credits
<b>Total</b>	<b>24.0 credits</b>

# Courses and Programs @ MacArthur HS: Special Education

MacArthur High School will support the Special Education programs within its feeder pattern. That means, students in special education programs at Hardy MS will also attend MacArthur HS. We look forward to an inclusive school community, serving students in three different programs and offering a range of related support services. To learn more about self-contained programs, visit <https://dcpsspecial.ed.wixsite.com/home/self-contained>.

Program	Program Description
Communication & Education Support (CES)	The Communication and Education Supports (CES) program is designed to meet the individual learning and behavioral needs of students with significant communication delays, and considerable to significant delays in all developmental areas. Students in the CES program graduate with a High School Achievement Certificate (HSAC).
Independence & Learning Support (ILS)	The Independence and Learning Support (ILS) program is designed to meet the individual learning and adaptive functioning needs of students with intellectual disabilities. Students in the ILS program graduate with a High School Achievement Certificate (HSAC).
Deaf & Hard of Hearing (DHOH)	The DHOH Program uses Common Core aligned instruction to prepare students for employment and long-term independence. Most deaf students receive their instruction in American Sign Language (ASL), while others may only require the use an interpreter to access instruction.



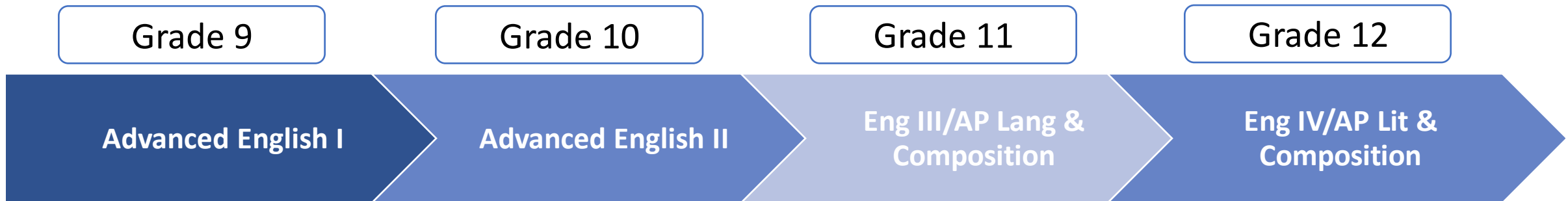
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## English Language Arts

All 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will complete Advanced English I, and then move on to Advanced English II in 10<sup>th</sup> grade.

These classes prepare students for a successful transition to AP Language the subsequent year. Students in Advanced English I and II will gain skills in:

- Writing multi-source argument essays on debatable/defensible topics.
- Evaluating and comparing the persuasiveness of multiple texts.
- Crafting synthesis essays that require researching multiple sources.
- Writing rhetorical-analysis essays.

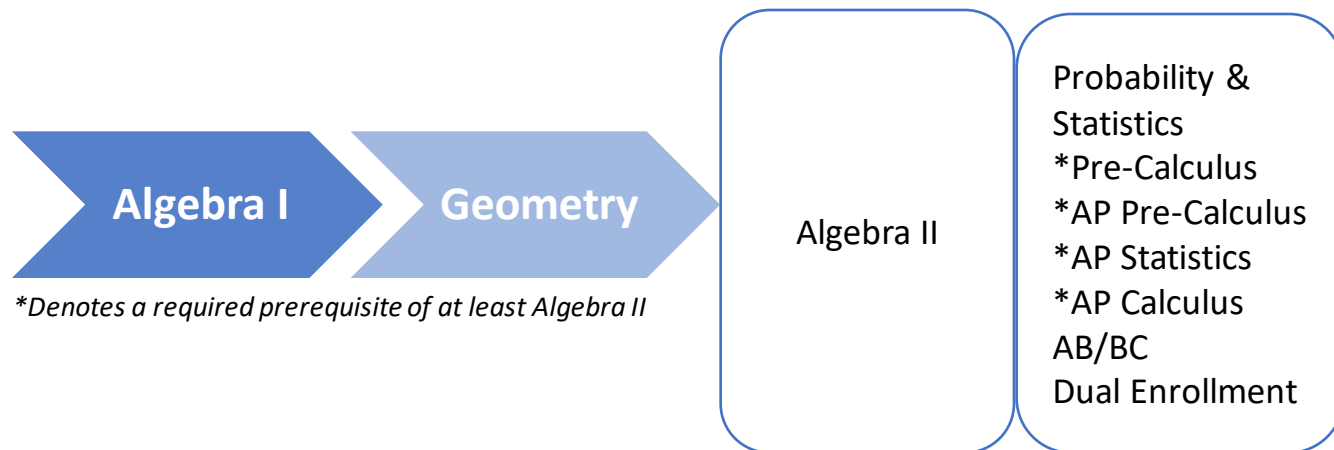


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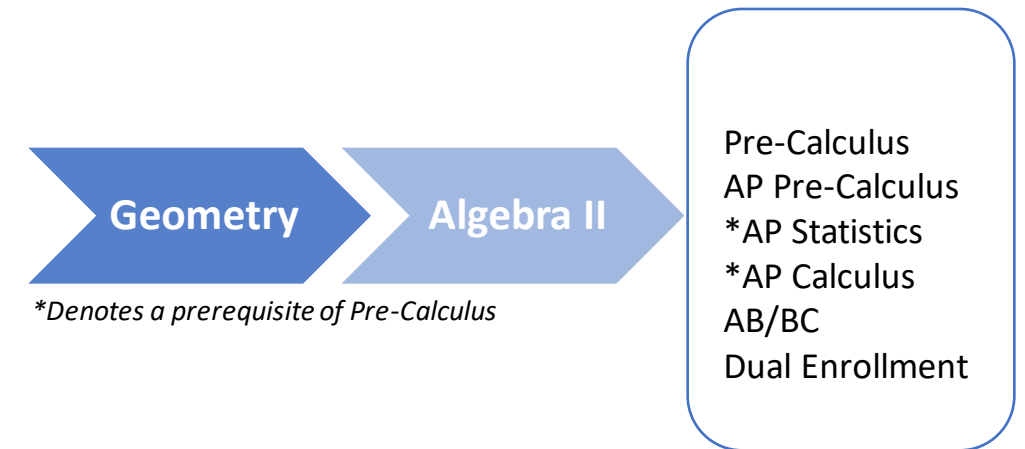
## Math

MacArthur HS will offer **Algebra I**, **Geometry** and **Algebra II** classes for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade. This pathway will enable students to be eligible for AP/Pre-Calc classes and **meet graduation requirements**. While a student may not have completed any high school courses in middle school (i.e., Algebra I), every DCPS student has an opportunity to accelerate their math journeys in high school and participate in the highest level of mathematics offered for our DCPS students.

### Traditional Pathway



### Accelerated Pathway

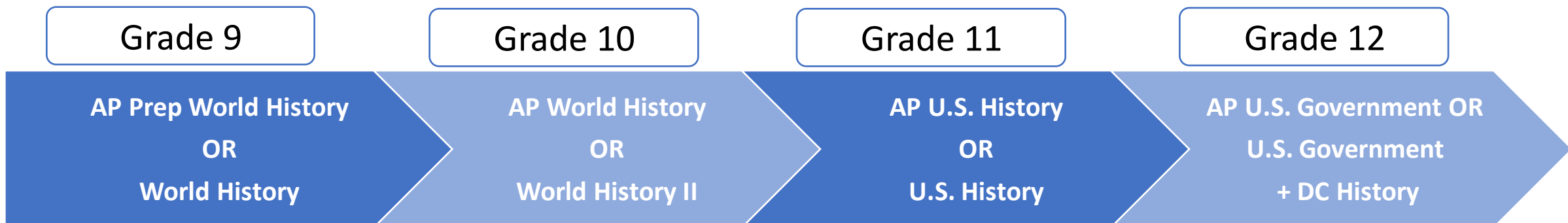


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## Social Studies and Electives

Social Studies in DC Public Schools cultivates learning experiences for students to be inquisitive, informed, and engaged participants in civic life by nurturing their lived experiences and identities and preparing them to recognize and disrupt systems of inequity.

MacArthur students will complete required course curriculum and will be offered different elective courses in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Electives include “African-American History”, “Activism in United States (Social Issues)”, and “Critical Conversations.”

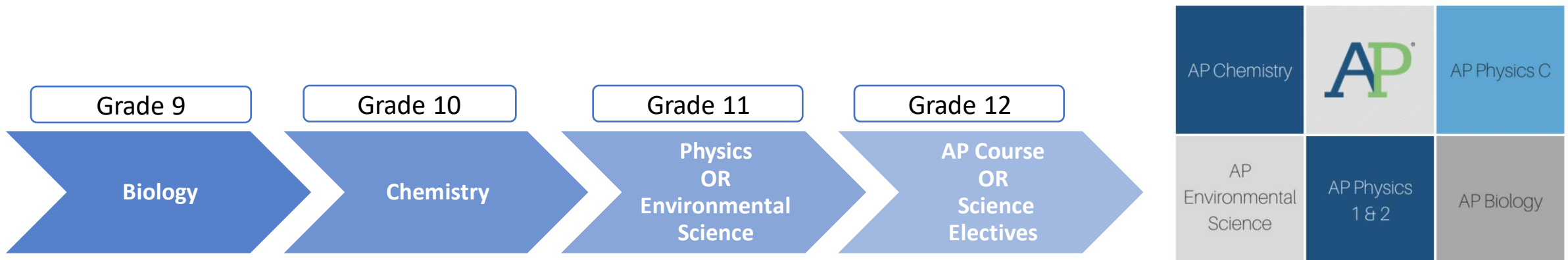


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## Science

All DCPS students study earth, life, physical science, engineering and technology throughout their school experience. DCPS partners with many museums, non-profits, and professional organizations to provide Science support to schools, teachers and students, including the DC Environmental Education Consortium (DCEEC), and the DC STEM Network.

At MacArthur, students will learn all curriculum areas, and have the option to pursue Advanced and AP courses and science electives.



# Courses and Programs @ MacArthur HS\*

## World Languages - Spanish + Italian

We can anticipate the high rigor and standards of our future students at MacArthur. We know most students will want to continue their language learning from their middle school education. **MacArthur will work to match students with their next level of language.** We are also currently considering offering Spanish and Italian language courses in our first years, then grow to offer more options based on student level and interest.

World Language courses: MacArthur will refine and increase learners' proficiency in all four language skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing) with a specific focus on building literacy skills.

### Spanish

Courses will include Spanish I – IV, AP Spanish Literature & Culture, AP Spanish Language & Literacy, and/or Spanish Heritage Language I – III

### Italian

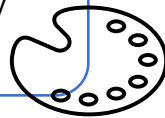
Courses will include Italian I – IV. We will explore partnership opportunities with the Italian Embassy to further real-world applications of language acquisition for our students.

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## Visual Arts, Performing Arts, and Music

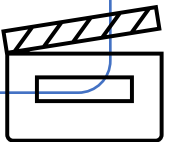
### Visual Arts

Students will have the opportunity to explore various mediums and materials to create complex imagery that represents their own individual ideas.



### Performing Arts

Through curriculum series, students will study how successful performers communicate and express musical texts and ideas.



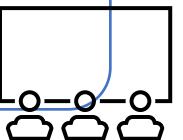
### Music

Students can take courses such as *Music Composition and Theory*, *Protest Music*, and *Music Technology*, to learn the different expressions of music through genres, time periods and social applications.



### AP Courses

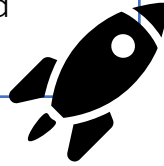
MacArthur students will have the opportunity to complete AP courses, including AP Drawing, AP 2-D Art and Design, AP Music Theory.



# Courses and Programs @ MacArthur HS\*: CTE

## Engineering

The Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing scientific research and professional and technical services, including laboratory and testing services, and research and development services.



*Program of study:*  
Aerospace Engineering

This course propels students' learning in the fundamentals of atmospheric and space flight.

## Information Technology

Students strengthen skills in problem solving, research, and design while learning strategies for design process documentation, collaboration, and presentation. Projects and case problems include app development, visualization of data, cybersecurity, and simulation, and professional certifications.



*Program of study:*  
Computer Maintenance

Courses cover topics beyond coding, including app development, simulation, and cybersecurity.

# Courses and Programs @ MacArthur HS\*

**Athletics** - Basketball, Soccer Club<sup>+</sup>, Cheer, Flag football, Golf, Tennis, Track & Cross Country, Volleyball

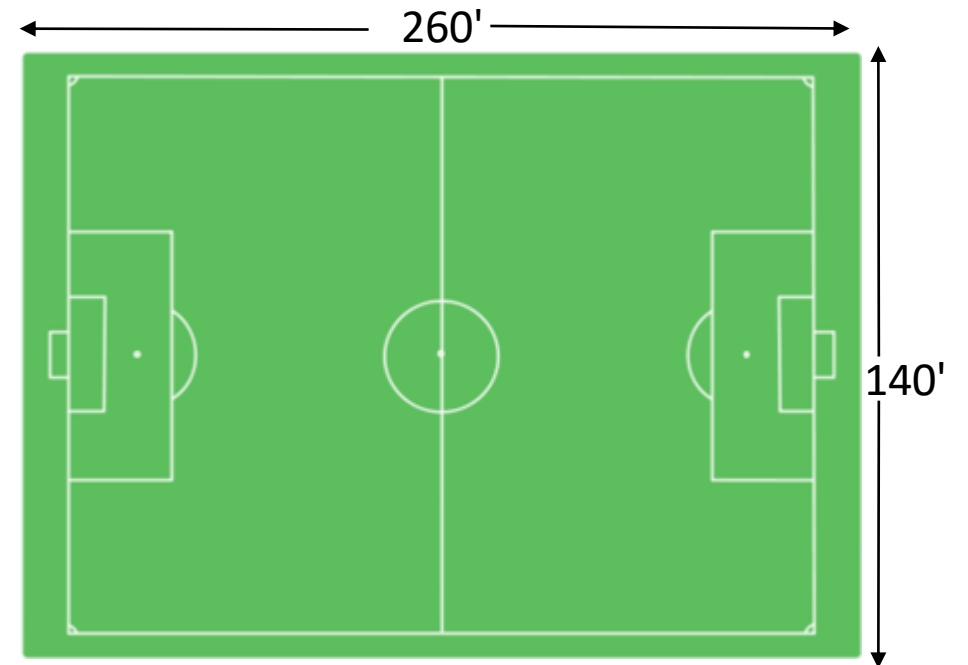
## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Based on the community and student surveys conducted in Fall 2022, and site logistics, MacArthur HS will offer options for teams and clubs. MacArthur HS will expand sports offerings with school growth.

<sup>+</sup>Soccer will not be an official DCIAA team for SY23-24, but the club will compete against other JV teams and local private schools.

## TRANSPORTATION

In the initial years, MacArthur HS students will be able to join the teams of other schools. Transportation will be provided only for games.



*Based on dimensions, the outdoor field will be used as a practice field for most sports.*



## Getting Ready for School Opening - Summer 2023



Brand new kitchen and cafeteria space to accommodate full school capacity



Updated building and technology systems



Targeted renovation of existing spaces as needed to accommodate inaugural class



To accommodate 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade, DCPS will continue to make capital investments through SY26-27.



*A look into one of MacArthur's future classrooms.*

# MacArthur Resources

## Commonly Used Resources

General Questions about MacArthur HS	Call us (202) 299- 5506 Email us: <a href="mailto:dcps.planning@k12.dc.gov">dcps.planning@k12.dc.gov</a> Visit our site: <a href="https://dcps.dc.gov/macarthur">dcps.dc.gov/macarthur</a>
What's my in-boundary school?	Visit <a href="https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/41">enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/41</a>
Questions about the My School DC Lottery	Visit <a href="https://www.myschooldc.org">https://www.myschooldc.org</a>
Submit your high school application online	Visit <a href="https://apply.myschooldc.dc.gov">https://apply.myschooldc.dc.gov</a> HS Applications are due February 1, 2023!
For more information about the lottery transfer preference:	Visit <a href="https://myschooldc.org/faq/key-terms#faq-Transfer-preference">myschooldc.org/faq/key-terms#faq-Transfer-preference</a>
For more information about Equitable Access Designated Seats (EADS) and Student Criteria:	Visit <a href="https://myschooldc.org/node/49311">myschooldc.org/node/49311</a> .

# MacArthur FAQ

## I have a question!

<p>I have a question about MacArthur. How can I follow up?</p>	<p>Call us (202) 299- 5506          Email us: <a href="mailto:dcps.planning@k12.dc.gov">dcps.planning@k12.dc.gov</a>          Visit our site: <a href="https://dcps.dc.gov/macarthur">dcps.dc.gov/macarthur</a></p>
<p>What's my in-boundary school?</p>	<p>Visit <a href="https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/41">enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/41</a></p>
<p>I'm in-boundary to MacArthur. How do I apply?</p>	<p>There's no application needed for in-boundary families! If you're interested in attending MacArthur, just enroll! Enrollment for SY2023-24 begins March 31<sup>st</sup>.</p>
<p>Do I qualify for the transfer preference through the lottery?</p>	<p>Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from Deal MS and Oyster-Adams EC, and current 9<sup>th</sup> grade students at Jackson-Reed HS will <b>receive a transfer preference through the lottery.</b></p>
<p>I missed the My School DC High School Lottery Application Deadline. What now?</p>	<p>My School DC allows for post-lottery applications. Please apply on the <a href="https://www.myschooldc.org">https://www.myschooldc.org</a> website.</p>

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<p>Has MacArthur selected a final school name?</p>	<p>MacArthur is the temporary name for the high school. We are still undergoing the official process for naming a district building.</p>
<p>What are the official school colors? Is there a mascot?</p>	<p>We're excited to have an opportunity to engage prospective students and families on the official school colors and mascot for MacArthur HS.</p> <p>Please look forward to future engagement opportunities!</p>
<p>How are students expected to get to MacArthur?</p>	<p>Currently, MacArthur can be reached by riding the D6 bus. DCPS is aware of the travel restrictions caused by the current bus route. We are actively working with DDOT, WMATA and community partners to identify new options for our students.</p>
<p>What construction will happen to get the building ready for students?</p>	<p>To prepare for SY2023-24, DCPS will complete a brand-new kitchen-cafeteria area, along with installing updated building and technology systems and renovation of classroom spaces. MacArthur will also receive ongoing construction updates throughout SY26-27 to accommodate a full school population.</p>

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