SOPHOMORE & JUNIOR ORIENTATION



UPPER SCHOOL TEAM

- Head of School: Mr. Mark Hopkins
- Assistant Head of School: Mr. Ray Davis
- <u>Counselor</u>: Mrs. Mary Helen Edwards
- Dean of Students: Mrs. Jessica Jones
- <u>Sophomore Class Sponsors</u>: Mrs. Combs, Mr. Reddy, Mr. Gallagher

Junior Class Sponsors: Mrs. Latimer, Mrs. Jones

EXPECTATIONS

- Be a leader
- On & off campus
- What you do outside of JMA affects...
- Not just you...not just your family...not just your friends...it also affects JMA

KNOWYOUR HANDBOOK

Actions Outside of JMA

- It is a privilege to be enrolled as a student at John Milledge Academy. Along with that privilege comes responsibility in and out of the classroom, as well on and off the JMA campus.
- Therefore, the behavior of a John Milledge Student is expected to be one of integrity, accountability, moral fortitude, and honor.
- Because John Milledge holds students to such a high standard, they are expected to thoughtfully consider their actions and how those actions could negatively and/or positively influence themselves, their peers, their family, their school and/or their community.

DRESS CODE

- Hair

Hair must not come below the middle of the ears, come down over the eyes, or be too long or thick at the back. Hair must be neat in appearance with no extremes in haircuts, hair styles/coloring.

Shave

- Whiskers and/or mustaches are not permitted. Students must be clean shaven every day.
- Lanyards in pockets (not to be seen)
- Be neatly dressed & conservative
- Know your Dress Code (pg. 51 in Handbook!)

STAY "TUNED" IN

- On the information sheet you received, please update any information. Also, please include:
 - student email & cell phone
 - parent email & cell phone

***Return this by the end of the meeting! Thanks!

- School Reach Text Messaging
- JMA Webpage <u>www.johnmilledge.org</u>
- "John Milledge Academy" Facebook

I need to check Parents Web (often)

What is ParentsWeb?

RenWeb School Management Software gives you, the busy parent, an opportunity to become more involved in your child's academic progress and future success – all via the Internet!

How do I get on ParentsWeb?

- Make sure that the school has your email address on file. If you have given the school your email in the past, <u>use this email to create your new</u> <u>account.</u>
 - Click on the Parent'sWeb link on www.JohnMilledge.org
 - Type the school's District Code: **JM-GA**
 - Click "Create New ParentsWeb Account"
 - Type your email address and click "Create Account." An email will be sent which includes a link. Following the instructions you receive about creating a username and password.
- You may now log in to ParentsWeb using your new User Name and Password.

ParentsWeb allows you to access:

- Student attendance and daily grades
- Progress reports and report cards
- Homework
- School events
- Lunch card balance, lunch calendar, and other useful information
- There is also an available app for your phone

John Milledge Academy

- ...I need to remind my student to check Teacher pages.
 - Click on the "academics" link on www.johnmilledge.org
 - Click on "Teacher Web Pages"
 - Syllabus
 - Notes
 - Extra Work
 - Homework

UPPER SCHOOL ACADEMICS



Grades count!

Hope Scholarship
 (3.0 GPA Requirement)

 Not too early to look at scholarship programs and leadership opportunities

UPPER SCHOOL ACADEMICS

Upper School Curriculum offerings (handout)

- Start looking at Honor Graduate Criteria
- PSAT October 15, 2014
 - First step in getting ready for the SAT!
 - Math, Writing, and Critical Reading
 - Administered from 8:10-11:30 am. Must be present and on time to take it.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

AP Tests

- AP LANGUAGE: Wednesday, May 13, 2015
- AP US HISTORY: Friday, May 8, 2015
 - Each test is 3 hours and includes both multiple choice and essay questions.
 - Students also participate in a full-length practice exam in December.
- Class to look forward to:
 - Sophomores: AP Language
 - Juniors: AP Literature, AP Biology, AP Calculus, AP Government
- Note: Students receive 5 points added to their semester average for taking an AP class.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

- This program is available through Georgia College to Juniors and Seniors with a 3.0 or higher GPA.
- Students must also meet the criteria set by the college, including appropriate SAT/ACT scores (1060 minimum SAT or with a 3.5 GPA slightly lower may suffice).
- They must fit their college classes around those classes taken at the Upper School.
 - Requirements for Rising Seniors:
 - Seniors taking two Dual Enrollment classes are expected to maintain that status throughout the year. This would require students to take 4 classes at JMA, including 3 academic classes and I elective class.
 - Seniors taking one Dual Enrollment class are expected to maintain that status throughout the year. This would require students to take 5 classes at JMA, including 4 academic classes and 1 elective class.
 - Requirements for Rising Juniors:
 - Juniors taking one Dual enrollment course are expected to maintain that status throughout the year. This would require students to take 5 classes at JMA, including 4 academic classes and I elective class.

SAT AND ACT

- Sophomores: Interested students may take SAT or ACT second semester
- Juniors: Encouraged to begin SAT/ACT testing during Spring semester
 - Early Decision begins in October of Senior Year!!
- Be sure to send your test scores electronically from SAT and ACT to schools you might be interested in.
- SAT/ACT Prep course available 7th period two weeks before each test.

SAT AND ACT

SAT

Register online at collegeboard.com

- TEST: Saturday 1/24/15
- TEST: Saturday 3/14/15
- TEST: Saturday 5/2/15

REGISTER: 12/29/14 REGISTER: 2/13/15 REGISTER: 4/6/15

ACT

Register online at actstudent.org
 TEST: 4/18/15 REGISTER: 3/13/15



- Naviance is a college and career readiness platform that helps connect academic achievement to postsecondary goals.
- Naviance helps students and families connect what students do in the classroom to their life goals, including finding colleges and careers based on their personal skills and areas of interests.

PREP ME FOR THE SAT

- Prep Me for SAT available through your student's Naviance account.
- Personalized Test Prep
- Students log-in to www.naviance.com
 - Go to "Prep Me"
 - Enter the date you plan to take the test.
 - Do the practice problems to get a plan for you to learn what you need to know!

GET INVOLVED!

- Colleges value what students do outside the classroom!
- Volunteer!
 - Presidential Service Award
 - BRONZE 100 hours;
 SILVER 175; GOLD 250+ hours.
- Self-discovery through enrichment and electives
- Start an activities list or resume



GET INVOLVED!

- Upper School Academic and Service Clubs:
 - <u>Anchor Club</u>: All Sophomore girls are invited to participate in this service club.
 - <u>Senior Beta Club</u>: Freshman inducted in January who have maintained an 88%+ academic average Ist semester; must maintain an 85% to be a member in this academic service club.
 - <u>National Honor Society</u>: Sophomores inductions who have maintained a 90% cumulative average and shown leadership and service for membership in this academic service club.
 - Fellowship of Christian Athletes: Open to all students.

SUMMER OF 2016



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Open to all JMA Upper School Students

INTEREST PARTY



Join us for an Italian "Pizza" supper on October 21st @ 7 PM in the Trojan Café to find out more!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!

