

# Mt. Edgecumbe High School

## State Board of Education Report

September 2020

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### Note from the Superintendent

This has been the most interesting start of a school year ever! I am very proud of the team at MEHS that has put together all of the details for starting school with COVID -19. I hope to provide an update at that time.

### Current Enrollment/Admissions Information

Enrollment Count\* As of August 19

Grade	In Person Aug		Total Aug	Delayed		Total Enrolled	Deferred	
	F	M		F	M		F	M
9	62	36	98	5	4	107	3	2
10	56	45	101	4	4	109	5	4
11	52	30	82	12	2	96	5	5
12	35	33	68	8	4	80		
	205	144	349	234	158	392	13	11

Dorm Total for August: 321

Typical start numbers: 412 in dorm and 435-445 total

### Student numbers by region

Region	# students	Percent
Anchorage & Valley	50	12%
Far North	96	23%
Interior	20	5%
Southcentral	19	5%
Southeast	46	11%
Southwest	185	44%
	418	

### Smart Start Restart

Executing the Smart Start Restart plan proved to be challenging, yet effective. The first significant group of students yielded two positive test results. Students were isolated as soon as the test results were received, which was less than 24 hours after arrival. Exposure was minimal and only three students were identified as close contacts of the two individuals, including time from before coming to MEHS. These students were placed in quarantine.

All students were in dorm-wide quarantine (confined to their dorm room) until the initial test results were all back. This took about 2.5 days. Some students were also housed off campus to spread students out during that time and to keep students from high risk communities separate from those from low risk areas. Most students arrived Friday and Saturday night. By Monday night all test results were back and the campus moved into the next less-strict phase. Phase two included restricted cohorts. At the time of this report, the campus was moving to this phase.

The restart was not without a few problems, but overall the plan worked as intended and successfully transitioned a large number of students to campus safely for a good school year.

## Data Highlight

Class of 2020

94 Graduates

48 (51%) Alaska Performance Scholarship eligible, 21 (22%) with test criteria

ACT Readiness Benchmarks

Percentage refers to the percentage who met benchmarks of those who took the test

Year	# total	# took ACT	English 18	Math 22	SS Read 22	Science 23
2020	94	67	40%	24%	37%	13%
2019	82	55	40%	25%	16%	11%
2018	100	62	52%	27%	37%	16%
2017	100	67	49%	22%	31%	18%

## College and Career Guide

This is the fourth year that MEHS is partnering with the Alaska Fellows program to sustain a college and career guide at MEHS. This year we have added a second Fellow focused on work experiences and internships. These positions are modeled after the National College and Career Advising Corps and receives training from the Alaska Commission on Post Secondary Training. Students, particularly first generation and low income, get one on one assistance in post-secondary planning and preparation. Grace Lavalley is our college guide this year and Madison Kennedy is our work & internship guides.