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Dear Parents & MCHS Students,

Morgan County High School is changing the way credit recovery and summer school programs are offered. This is of importance as your student has failed one or more courses and needs to address this in order to work towards staying on track to graduate.

Students who fail courses are encouraged to begin credit recovery immediately after final grades are issued. This means that students who failed a course(s) 1st semester may begin working NOW to recover the credit(s). If a student failed a course during a previous school year, parents and students are encouraged to give careful consideration to the options and to determine which is most appropriate for student's success.

Students who are not successful in earning credit for core and other required classes during the school year may choose 1 of the options below to recover the credit:

- 1) Attend GradPoint sessions before (7-8 a.m.) and/or after (3:15-4:15 p.m.) school. These sessions will be offered 3 times per week, with alternating weekly sessions of 2 mornings and 1 afternoon and 1 morning and 2 afternoons, to accommodate students' schedules.

These sessions will be offered during the school year only. Students are required to complete the course within 1 year from the start date. This is a very independent, condensed, learning type of option and is only recommended for students who are self-motivated to complete the course.

Contact Mrs. McIntosh Torbett to register at jean.mcintoshtorbett@morgan.k12.ga.us or 706-752-4856.

Price: \$50.00 per course paid upon course registration

- 2) Attend Morgan Foothills Charter High School's after-school Credit Recovery Program. Foothills is now open on our campus Monday -Thursday, 4:00-9:00 p.m. These sessions will be offered year-round and students may enroll at any time. Students will be in the classroom with the content specific instructor and have a low student to teacher ratio for assistance. This is ideal for students who need assistance in mastering the coursework. Students choosing this option will remain enrolled at MCHS, but are also working on a course(s) after school at Foothills through their credit recovery program.

Contact Mrs. Oller at Foothills to register at nada.oller@foothillscharter.org or 706-752-4989.

Please complete the online registration on the foothillscharter.org website prior to contacting Mrs. Oller. Look for the "Enrolling Students" link on the Foothills homepage.

Price: \$150.00 per course; Foothills allows payment to be made either upon registration or any time up through the point in which the course is completed.

- 3) There will be an option to retake ONE math course during the regular school day. However, this is dependent upon there being seats available in the course. Students interested in this option should contact their counselor.

FAQs:

Will summer school be an option?

No, traditional summer session will not be an option; however, students may attend Foothills during scheduled summer hours. Students may start at Foothills or the before/after school option at any time during the school year.

What is credit recovery? Credit Recovery is an opportunity for a student to retake a course that he/she previously was not academically successful in earning credit towards graduation. Credit Recovery courses are courses containing all content on which the student will demonstrate mastery before receiving a grade and earning credit. Students are required to take the EOCT in Credit Recovery courses, even if they took the EOCT before.

What is GradPoint? GradPoint is a provider of online standards-based core and elective instruction for students.

Will the Foothills option mean that students enroll at Foothills? No, students will remain enrolled at MCHS and will attend school during the normal school day. Students who choose this option will attend Foothills during their normal evening hours. This will mean that students are taking a full load at MCHS during the day and an evening class at Foothills. During summer break, students will take only the Foothills course.

How long does it take to complete a course on GradPoint?

Students who choose **Option 1** above should be able to complete 1 course within the 1-year requirement. Some students may finish in a semester, depending on the course, number of days per week attended, and student's commitment and aptitude.

Students who choose **Option 2** above should be able to complete 1 course during the summer break or over the course of a semester. As mentioned for Option 1, the course, attendance, commitment and aptitude will all be factors for completion time.

This timeline is not a guarantee of completion.

Do students who attend and do all of the work pass?

No, students must show mastery and success to pass the course - the same as traditional classes.

What will the transcript show for credit recovery?

The transcript will show a failing grade for the original course and another grade for the credit recovery course - the passing grade. The failing grade and passing grade will be calculated in GPA, etc.