

**MONTACHUSETT REGIONAL
VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL
SCHOOL**

FRESHMEN ACCEPTANCE PACKET

CLASS OF 2027



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Welcome Class of 2027

We look forward to meeting you and helping you navigate through your first year of high school! We want you to know that we are here to help and guide you through all of the ins and outs of your new school and look forward to the start of the new school year.

Orientation will be held on August 22nd and August 23rd. You will be assigned a date and time slot based on your homeroom once schedules are completed. At orientation, you will be issued your chromebooks, get your Monty Tech email, and learn more about the wonderful opportunities that we have to offer you starting your freshman year.

Your first week of school will be an academic week - 'A week'. Schedules will be given to you at orientation. You might have questions and we will be sure to answer them when we meet. Here are a few common ones that we hope help prepare you for your first days of school:

What school supplies do I need for the first day of school?

We recommend that you have a backpack, your fully charged chromebook, a notebook and writing utensils for the first day. Each teacher will let you know what materials are required for their class so wait until you meet with them before you go and buy school supplies.

What do I wear?

To start, jeans, t-shirt and sneakers are perfect for both academic and shop weeks. We also recommend that you have a sweater or sweatshirt because some classrooms and shops can get cold at times.

How do I get a MT Identification card (ID)?

At orientation we will take your ID picture. You will be issued your ID and lanyard on the first day of school. School ID's are expected to be worn everyday!

What about lunch?

You can either bring your own or pick up a lunch option in the cafeteria. Menus are generally posted monthly on our web page. Information on how to set up an online account through MySchoolBucks will be sent to your parent/guardian in the welcome packet mailed out in August.

Where do I find my bus schedule?

Bus schedules should be posted by mid August so check out our home page at www.montytech.net to see what bus you should be on.

What do I do if my student has a disability or requires additional support?

The district has reached out to middle schools for current records. If you are not sure we have received the plan or if you would like to discuss the referral process please contact your student's school counselor.

Please email if you have any questions or concerns as we are only in the building a few days during the summer. We want to make this transition as smooth as possible! Save the dates for Freshmen Orientation on August 22nd or 23rd! We are excited to meet you!

Mr. Lashua

Mrs. Quinn

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quinn-alicia@montytech.net



NEED HELP - WE'VE GOT YOU!



Extra Help

Each academic instructor provides extra help one day a week after school.



After School Tutoring

We offer extra help in math, English and biology. This is available to help you prepare for the MCAS as well as get extra support with your classes.



Tech Support and PowerSchool

Videos are available to help with using Google Classroom and Schoology.

Stay tuned for how parents and students can access grades using our new system, PowerSchool!

Visit www.montytech.net and click on "Academics" to see the schedule of extra help and tutoring days.

Click on "Technology Help" to get support with your Chromebook, Google Classroom, Schoology & more!

Click on the late bus icon to learn how you can get home if you stay after school!

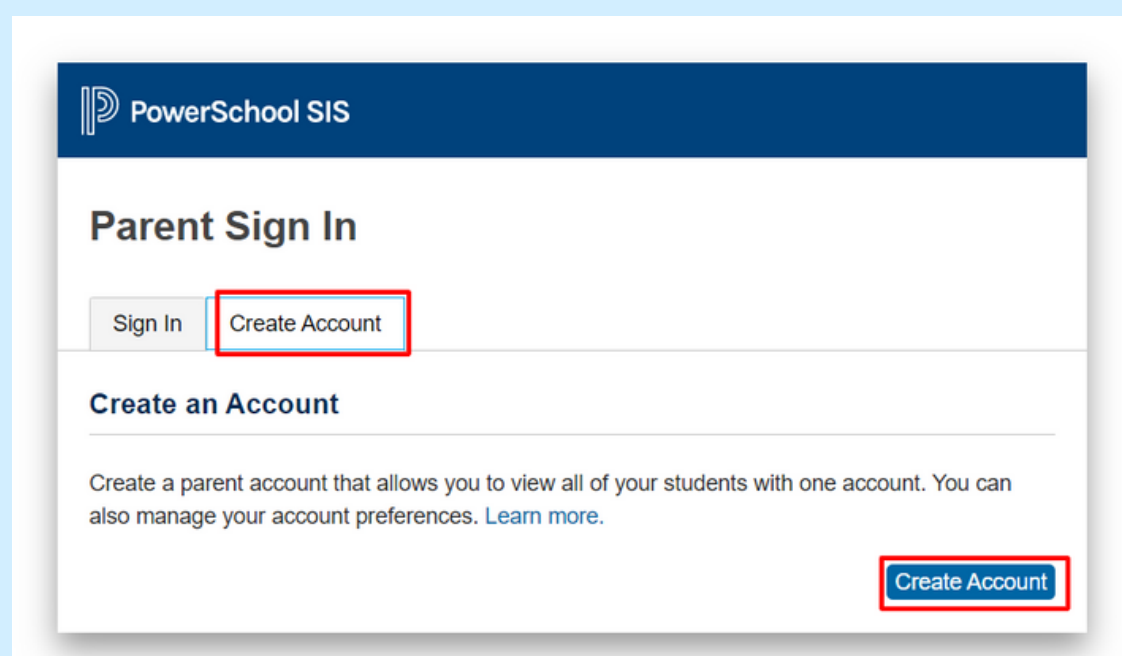


Create an Account in the MT PowerSchool Parent/Guardian Portal

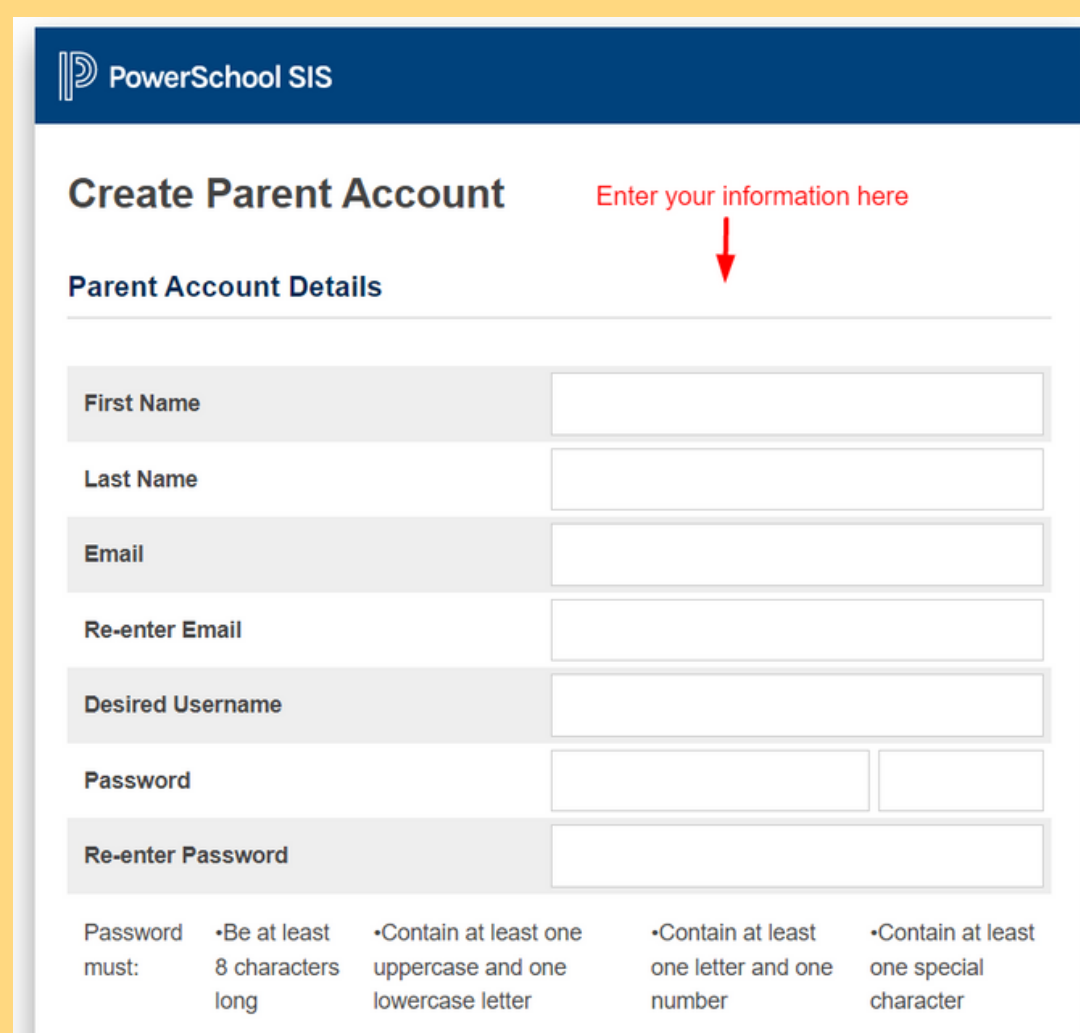
In the first few weeks of school, emails will be sent out from hall-melissa@montytech.net to each student's **Primary Contact Email**. If you have checked your inbox, spam and junk folders and have not received the email by the end of September, please contact parentportal@montytech.net

go to
montytech.powerschool.com

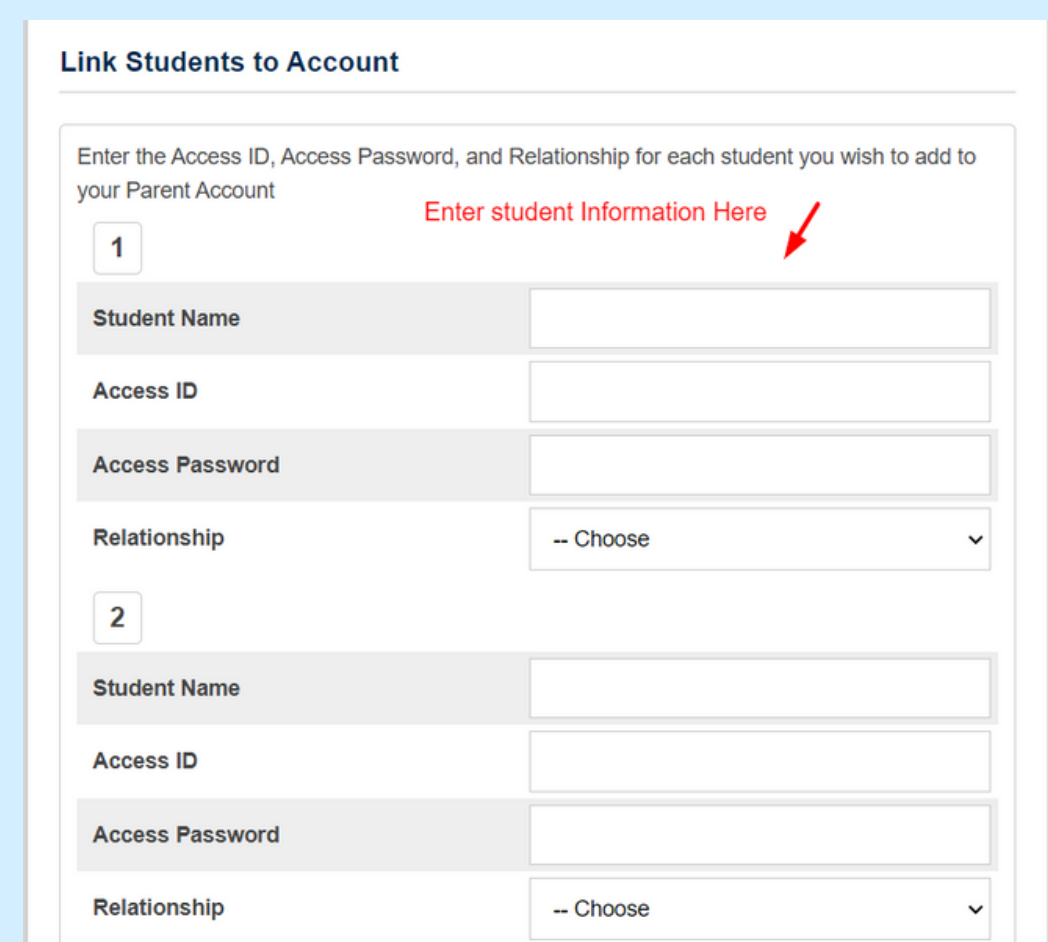
1) To set up your account for the first time, please click on the Create Account tab and choose Create Account.



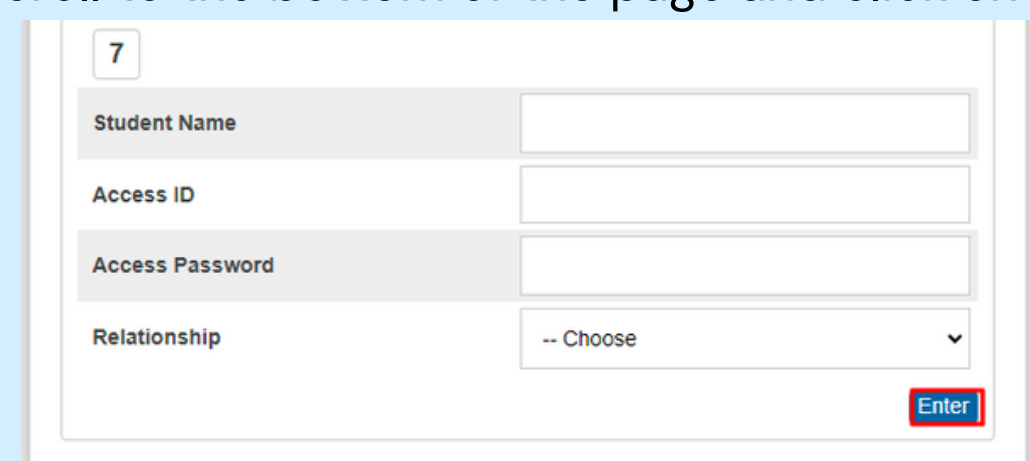
2) Enter the information that you would like to use for your sign in.



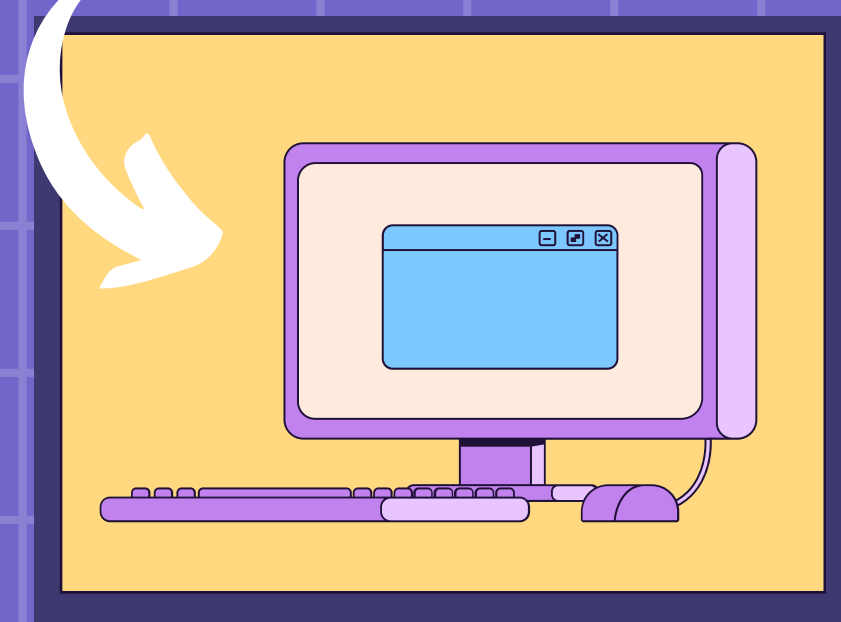
3) Enter your student's information. Each of your students have a unique Access ID and Password associated with their PowerSchool information.



Scroll to the bottom of the page and click enter.



Click the computer for a video demo



4) You will receive an email from Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School to complete your verification process. **Verification must be completed within 24 hours.**

Your PowerSchool account is not active until you complete the verification process.

Monty Tech | 2023-2024 CALENDAR

JULY '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

4 Independence Day

JANUARY '24						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
B	1	2	3	4	5	B
A	8	9	10	11	12	A
B	15	16	17	18	19	B
A	22	23	24	25	26	A
B	29	30	31			B

01 New Year's Day

15 M.L. King Day

26 Quarter 2 Ends

AUGUST '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
A	28	29	30	31		A

21-22 New Teacher Orientation

22-23 New Student Orientation

23 Parents of new students Orientation

28 First Day Staff

28 New Upperclassmen Orientation

29 Prof Dev – Staff Only

30 Students' First Day

FEBRUARY '24						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	B
A	5	6	7	8	9	A
B	12	13	14	15	16	B
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
A	26	27	28	29		A

7 Advisory Dinner

19 Presidents' Day

19-23 February Vacation

SEPTEMBER '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	A
B	4	5	6	7	8	B
A	11	12	13	14	15	A
B	18	19	20	21	22	B
A	25	26	27	28	29	A

4 Labor Day

7 Back to School Night for Parents

22 Prof Dev (1/2 Day)

? College/Career Fair

27 Honor Roll Banquet #1

28 Honor roll Banquet #2

MARCH '24						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	A
B	4	5	6	7	8	B
A	11	12	13	14	15	A
B	18	19	20	21	22	B
A	25	26	27	28	29	A
31						

1 Progress Report Grades Close

7 Open House

8 Prof Dev (1/2 day)

29 Good Friday

OCTOBER '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
B	2	3	4	5	6	B
A	9	10	11	12	13	A
B	16	17	18	19	20	B
A	23	24	25	26	27	A
B	30	31				B

6 Progress Report Grades Close

6 Principal/Counselors Day

9 Columbus Day

12 Advisory Dinner

20 Tour Day (1/2 day)

23 Tour Day (No School)

23 Career Awareness Night

APRIL '24						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
B	1	2	3	4	5	
A	8	9	10	11	12	A
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
B	22	23	24	25	26	B
A	29	30				A

5 Quarter 3 Ends

15-19 April Vacation

NOVEMBER '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	B
A	6	7	8	9	10	A
B	13	14	15	16	17	B
A	20	21	22	23	24	A
B	27	28	29	30		B

3 Quarter One Ends

10 Vets Day Celebrated

11 Veterans Day

14 Parent Conf (1/2 Day)

16 Parent Conf (1/2 Day)

22 Half Day Thanksgiving Break

23 Thanksgiving Day

MAY '24						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	A
B	6	7	8	9	10	B
A	13	14	15	16	17	A
B	20	21	22	23	24	B
A	27	28	29	30	31	A

10 Progress Report Grades Close (GR 9, 10, 11)

10 Prom

21 Awards Night

22 Graduation

23 Rain Date Graduation

27 Memorial Day

DECEMBER '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	B
A	4	5	6	7	8	A
B	11	12	13	14	15	B
A	18	19	20	21	22	A
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

8 Progress Report Grades Close

15 Prof Dev (1/2 day)

22 1/2 Day – SKILLS USA Awards Ceremony

25 Christmas Day

25-29 Winter Vacation

JUNE '24						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
B	3	4	5	6	7	B
A	10	11	12	13	14	A
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

11 last day of school

12, 13, 14, 17, 18 Potential make-up days for unplanned show/emergency cancellations

**MT 2023-2024 School Year
Monty Tech**

<u>Interim Progress Report Dates</u>		<u>Marking Period Ends</u>	
Interim Progress Report 1st Quarter	October 6, 2023	1st Marking Period	November 3, 2023
Interim Progress Report 2nd Quarter	December 8, 2023	2nd Marking Period	January 26, 2024
Interim Progress Report 3rd Quarter	March 1, 2024	3rd Marking Period	April 5, 2024
Interim Progress Report 4th Quarter	May 10, 2024	4th Marking Period	June 11, 2024

<u>Pre-Exploratory/Exploratory (Bweek)</u>	<u>Dates:</u>	
Pre-Exploratory	September 5,6,7,8	(4 days)
Exploratory 1	September 18,19,20,21,22	(4.5 days)
Exploratory 2	October 2,3,4,5,6	(5 days)
Exploratory 3	October 16,17,18,19,20	(4.5 days)
Exploratory 4	October 30,31, November 1,2,3	(5 days)
Exploratory 5	November 13,14,15,16,17	(4 days)
Exploratory 6	November 27,28,29,30 December 1	(5 days)
Exploratory 7	December 11,12,13,14,15	(4.5 days)
Exploratory 8	January 2,3,4,5	(4 days)
Exploratory 9	January 16,17,18,19	(4 days)

**Mid-term Exams, Final Exams, AP Exams, and MCAS
Exam dates have not been set, and will depend on the Monty
Tech learning plan, as well as Department of Education and
MA state guidelines issued as the year progresses.**

MONTY TECH'S RISING FRESHMEN ACADEMY

What's It All About?



The Rising Freshmen Academy is a student-centered program designed to provide academic, technology, physical and social enrichment opportunities to students entering grade 9 in the fall.

Students in the Academy will participate in collaborative, fun learning activities as they are introduced to the Monty Tech community. This opportunity gives incoming freshmen a chance to meet teachers, make friends and become acclimated to the building prior to the first day of school!

Choose **ONE**
session below:

Session 1

June 20-June 23, 2023
8:30 am - 2:00 pm

OR

Session 2

June 27-June 30 2023
8:30 am - 2:00 pm

ALL INCOMING
FRESHMEN ARE
STRONGLY
ENCOURAGED TO
ATTEND.

Free Registration!
Free Lunch!
Free Bussing!

Click **HERE** to
register for
this incredible
opportunity!

For More
Information:

Contact the Program Director:

Kirsten Farias

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Summer Assignments

SUMMER 2023

All incoming freshman are **REQUIRED** to complete
A math packet (included)
Read a book and complete a process journal
(see attached information)

Students will be **REQUIRED** to submit their work
to their English and math teachers
during the first week of school.

To access these assignments, please visit our website,
www.montytech.net

For questions, please contact
summerassignments@montytech.net



FRESHMEN SUMMER READING

BOOKS & PROCESS JOURNALS
WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK
UP ALL SUMMER IN THE MAIN
OFFICE

STUDENTS ATTENDING THE MT
RISING FRESHMEN ACADEMY
WILL BE GIVEN THEIR NOVEL
AND JOURNAL DURING THE
WEEK.

VISIT THE MONTY TECH
WEBSITE FOR PROCESS
JOURNAL DIRECTIONS

Why Has Nobody Told
Me **This** Before?
DR JULIE SMITH

Summer Reading Assignment 2023

Rising Freshmen

Class of 2027

While reading your book, please keep your process journal next to you so you can complete the activities as they come up in the book. Below you will find explanations for the suggested activities. Please pay attention to the page numbers and the instructions for each activity.

Each time you write in your journal you should make sure to set up your page like this:

Chapter #:	<i>Chapter #: 1</i>
Section title:	<i>Section title: Understanding Low Mood</i>
Page #	<i>Page # 18</i>
Name of Activity:	<i>Name of Activity: Try This</i> <i>(You would begin to write your response here in your journal)</i>

For example:

Please complete 12 of the following in your process journal:

- | | |
|--------------|---|
| Page 17: | Use the chart in the back of your book on page 347. You may duplicate this in your journal, or you may write in your book. |
| Page 18: | Choose one of the prompts listed and write a one page journal entry. |
| Page 21: | Choose one of the prompts listed and write a one page journal entry. |
| Page 42: | Complete the Toolkit “Making Gratitude a Habit” in your journal |
| Pages 49-51: | Complete the Toolkit/Try This “Figuring out what you can do to change how you feel” & “solution-focused miracle question” in your journal. You do not need to answer all the questions individually, you can write holistically. |
| Pages 53-64: | Chapter 5 discusses how to get the basics right. Write a journal entry where you reflect on how you can work towards this. What do you already do well, and what small changes may you need to make to establish better routines for High School? |
| Pages 79-80: | Write a journal entry where you use the prompts and questions to reflect on responding to failure with passion and accountability to get back on Track. |
| Page 90: | Write a journal entry where you reflect on your future-self memory and journaling to improve your chances of making better choices. |

Summer Reading Assignment 2023

Rising Freshmen

Class of 2027

- Page 92: Write a journal entry where you reflect on the questions asked in “Try This”.
- Page 103: Toolkit- Write a journal entry where you “Examine your coping strategies”, use the questions to help you write your entry.
- Page 117: Using the “Feeling Wheel” write a journal entry using the information in this chapter as well as the feelings wheel to specifically describe your feelings this week.
- Page 127-149: If you have ever experienced grief, what information and suggestions do you think are helpful from this chapter? Write a reflective journal entry.
- Page 170: Toolkit- Write a journal entry where you reflect on “Changing your relationship with fear to build confidence.” Use the questions to help you write your entry.
- Page 182-185: Complete both “Try This” in your journal.
- Page 186: Complete the “Try This”.
- Pages 189-231: Write a journal entry for anything in this chapter that resonated with you. Be sure to include specific details about strategies you read and tips you may have learned.
- Pages 255-262: Try ONE of the mindful activities and then write a journal entry where you reflect on the experience. Why is it important to understand stress and how to make it work for you?
- Page 270: Complete the “Try This”.
- Pages 284- 289: Complete the activities in this chapter (Figures 10-12)
- Pages 290-29: Choose ONE of the journal prompts to write about.
- Pages 293-296: Write a journal entry where you discuss your goals for living a meaningful life.
- Page 315: Write a journal entry where you reflect on your thoughts and feelings about relationships. You can use the prompts on page 315 to help you get started.

INTEGERS:**Evaluate each expression.**

1) $2 - 5$

2) $-2 - -3 - 8 - -7$

Evaluate each expression.

3) $(4)(1^3)$

4) $(4 + 4)(1 + 5)$

Evaluate each using the values given.

5) $p - q \div 3$; use $p = 3$, and $q = 3$

6) $n + m^2$; use $m = 3$, and $n = 5$

FRACTIONS:**Simplify each. Write your answer as a mixed number when possible.**

7) $\frac{54}{36}$

8) $\frac{42}{12}$

Evaluate each expression.

9) $\left(-\frac{5}{4}\right) + \frac{11}{6}$

10) $2 - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)$

Simplify.

11) $\left(-\frac{2}{5}\right)\left(-\frac{17}{9}\right)$

12) $\frac{7}{4} \div \frac{-12}{7}$

DECIMALS:

Write each as a decimal. Round to the thousandths place.

13) $\frac{1}{120}$

14) $3\frac{24}{65}$

Evaluate each expression.

15) $(-6.7) - 5.2$

16) $2.5 + -3.9 - -2.7$

Write the name of each decimal place indicated.

17) 175.6

18) 40.05888

Round each to the place indicated.

19) 4.726796; ten-thousandths

20) 9.8989; hundredths

Simplify.

21) $(-6.1)(-1.53)$

22) $\frac{-3.6}{-7.5}$

EQUATIONS:

Solve each equation.

23) $-19 = n - 10$

24) $-17 = \frac{r}{4}$

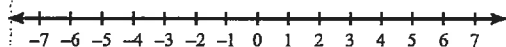
25) $96 = -6x$

26) $5 = 2 + \frac{x}{-2}$

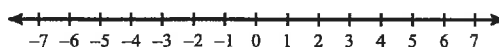
INEQUALITIES:

Draw a graph for each inequality.

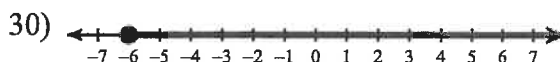
27) $a \leq -3$



28) $-6 \leq p$



Write an inequality for each graph.



Solve each inequality.

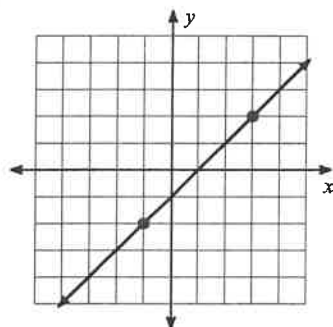
31) $-10x > -30$

32) $\frac{n+10}{2} \leq -3$

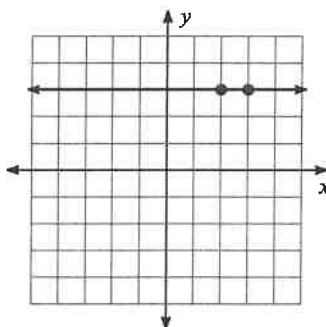
SLOPE:

Find the slope of each line.

33)



34)



Find the slope of the line through each pair of points.

35) $(-19, -14), (-18, -11)$

36) $(-8, -18), (-8, 9)$



FALL 2023

**Sports
Sign-Up**

**PLEASE VISIT WWW.MONTYTECH.NET
AND CLICK ON THE FALL SPORTS
SIGNUPS ICON TO COMPLETE A GOOGLE
FORM TO SHARE YOUR INTEREST IN
PARTICIPATING IN A FALL SPORT**

MONTY TECH MARINE CORPS JROTC

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Monty Tech Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (MCJROTC) program is to:

- Instill the values of leadership
- Citizenship
- Service to Country
- Personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment

THREE MAJOR OBJECTIVES

- Give students an appreciation for the origin, advantages, and responsibilities of leadership.
- Develop an understanding of leadership skills and the advantages of strong moral character.
- Develop in students a sense of pride, discipline, and personal responsibility.

We ARE NOT seeking to recruit for the military and MCJROTC does not obligate students to serve in the armed forces.

We strive to meet Monty Tech's mission.

Stop into Student Support Services or the MCJROTC Classroom to ask about the chance to be part of one of Monty Tech's most exciting and demanding elective programs.

ACTIVITIES

Cyber Security Team
Marksmanship
Drill Team
Color Guard

VOLUNTEER

Community Service
Salvation Army Boot Drives
Food Shelters
Veteran Causes



INSTRUCTORS

Senior Marine Instructor
First Sergeant
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Marine Instructor
First Sergeant
Jeremy Mickelson
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montytech.net

UNIFORMS

Cadets will wear the Marine Corps JROTC uniform one day per week. Uniforms are provided at no cost to the student for participation in the program.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Physical fitness training is conducted one day per week along with completion of a strength assessment two times during the school year. This assessment gives the student an idea on how they progress throughout the school year

CLASSES

Classes will evolve around Leadership Education. The program is progressive with cadets moving from one school year to the next. Freshman Cadets will begin as a Leadership Education One (LE I) and make their way through LE II (Sophomore), LE III (Junior), and LE IV during Senior year. Each year builds on the previous year with additional knowledge and responsibility.

RANK

Promotions occur through demonstrated potential along with consistent adherence to all MCJROTC rules and regulations. Some cadets will have the potential to progress through rank at an accelerated pace through routine demonstration of above average performance.

OPPORTUNITY

Through the MCJROTC Leadership Program, Cadets are more confident and better prepared for their futures, no matter what direction they pursue in the trades, college, or military service. Consistent accountability, time management, punctuality, and respect are a few of the areas where students can expect to improve through the MCJROTC.

Welcome Incoming Freshmen

All incoming students will be receiving a school issued Chromebook at the beginning of the school year as part of Monty Tech's 1:1 Chromebook Program.



- Chromebooks will be distributed to incoming freshmen, and all newly enrolled students within the first three weeks of the school year.
- Parents/Guardians and students are required to sign and return the Chromebook Agreement Form, and the Acceptable Use Policy.
- Technology will be used in your classes, and you will be required to bring your Chromebook to class every day fully charged. Teachers will be using Google Classroom and other tools in class.
- Monty Tech's filtering software will be in place on the device during school and outside of school. It blocks websites that are inappropriate for students.
- You will be able to personalize your Chromebook by purchasing an optional case. You may put stickers and markings on your purchased case, because it is your case. But NO stickers on the device itself are allowed. All items must be appropriate and not violate any school policy or rule. Recommended cases will be available for purchase in the school store.
- Stickers and markings on the outside of the actual Chromebook will not be allowed.
- There will be a presentation about digital citizenship and appropriate social media usage for all students to attend at the beginning of the school year. It will cover topics such as:
 - * Common Sense on Social Networks
 - * How to Present Yourself Online
 - * Ways to Protect Yourself Online
 - * Internet Safety, Using the Internet Responsibly
 - * Cyberbullying and more...
- Devices that are lost, stolen, or vandalized need to be reported to the school's Deans' office immediately, and students will be required to submit a report.
- Technical support will be available through the Technology Department. Do not attempt to repair the device yourself.



**Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School
1:1 Chromebook Guidelines
Student and Parent Agreement Form**

YOG: _____

Student Responsibilities - Your Chromebook is an important learning tool and is for educational purposes. In order to take your Chromebook home each day, you and your parents/guardians must be willing to accept the following responsibilities:

- I/we understand that the Chromebook is my responsibility.
- I/we understand that Chromebook use is a privilege, not a right.
- I/we will not leave my Chromebook unsupervised and will do everything I can to prevent it from being damaged.
- I/we will honor the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School Chromebook Guidelines and the Acceptable Use Policy.
- I/we will not view, create, send, or download inappropriate material.
- I/we will bring the Chromebook to school every day with a fully charged battery.
- I/we will treat the Chromebook as a valuable piece of equipment and will report any mechanical or technical issues to a teacher immediately.
- I/we will not attempt to add, delete, access, or modify other user accounts on the Chromebook.
- I/we will take no action that could interfere with the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School network.
- I/we will report inappropriate use to my instructor or an administrator.
- I/we will return the Chromebook when requested by the Technology Department or upon withdrawing from the school.
- I/we will file a police report in case of theft or damage caused by fire and notify the Dean's Office immediately.
- I/we agree to pay the full replacement cost of my Chromebook and/or power cord/charger in the event either of these items are lost or damaged through my own negligence.

I/we agree to the terms above and accept responsibility for the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School-owned Chromebook. I understand that I am accepting responsibility and am responsible for the total cost of any damage, destruction, or loss of the assigned Chromebook due to my negligence. I understand that I am responsible for the total cost of replacing a damaged, destroyed, or lost Chromebook.

Student Name:

Student Signature:

Date:

Parent Name:

Parent Signature:

Date:




**FRESHMEN
ORIENTATION**

*Save the
date*

August 22nd and 23rd
Sessions will be
9-11 a.m. or 1-3 p.m.

**YOU WILL BE
NOTIFIED AS TO
WHICH SESSION
YOU WILL ATTEND
ONCE SCHEDULES
ARE COMPLETED**



Family Orientation will
take place in the evening
on August 23rd

