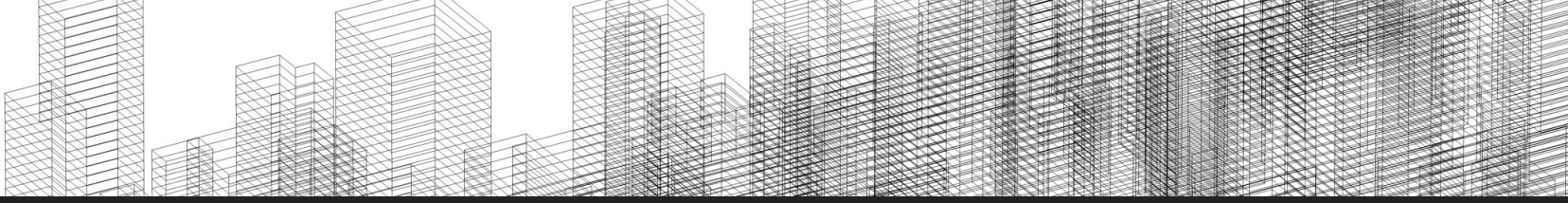


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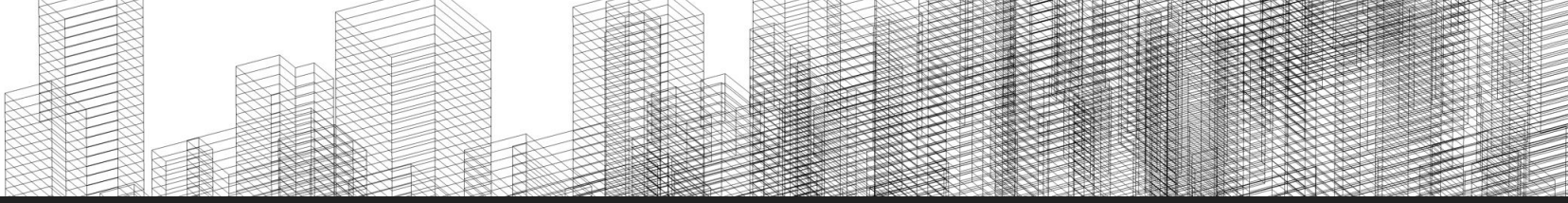
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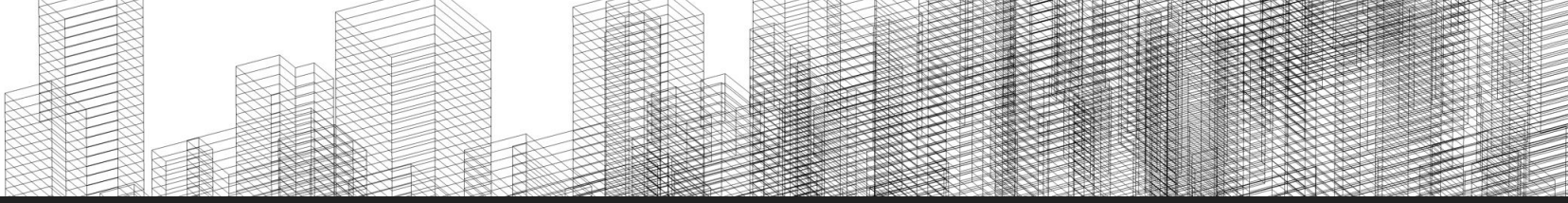
# General Portage information

- The Portage program's flexibility allows us to support all students; whether they have Special Education/504 needs, English Learner needs, or Accelerated/Enrichment needs.
- Students in Portage will be supplied an iPad, however the family/student may also use their own device if preferred.



## Secondary Portage Student Profile

- Self-Motivation: Students should exhibit self-motivation as they must direct their own learning environment and procedures to fulfill course requirements enabling them to achieve individual academic success.
- Independent Learning Style: Students should be able to work independently and be able to contact their learning coaches and content tutors for support as needed.
- Computer Literacy: Students should possess basic computer skills such as utilizing electronic email, maneuvering through the Internet, as well as basic keyboarding skills.
- Time Management Skills: Students must be capable of organizing and planning their time frame for learning.
- Personal Commitment: Students must have a personal desire to learn and achieve knowledge and skills via online courses.

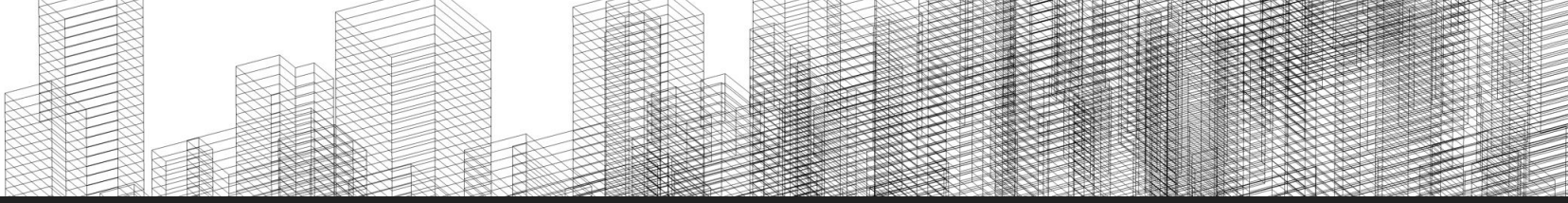


# Secondary Portage

## Participation Guidelines for Secondary Portage Students

- Check messages and emails each school day - be active receivers and respond to communication
- Five days per week log in to learning platform via Edgenuity
  - 5 of the 7 days per week attending
- Students who are not meeting participation guidelines will be referred to the MTSS team for additional support
- Students are required to communicate with Portage staff for a variety of reasons. Students will be required to communicate to their teachers via Zoom, telephone, email, and/or online classroom.

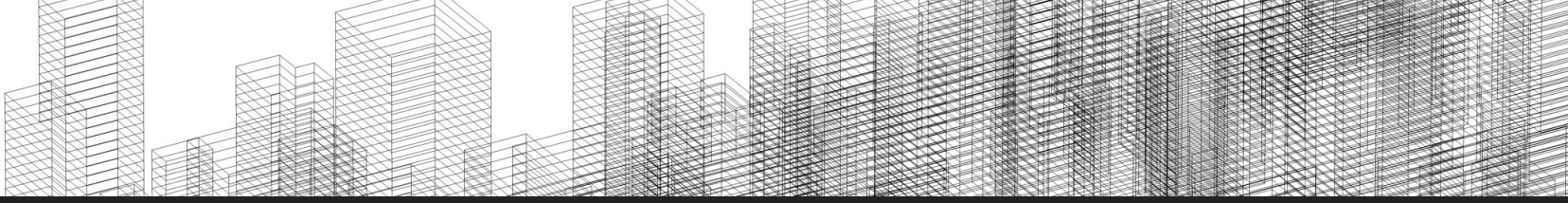




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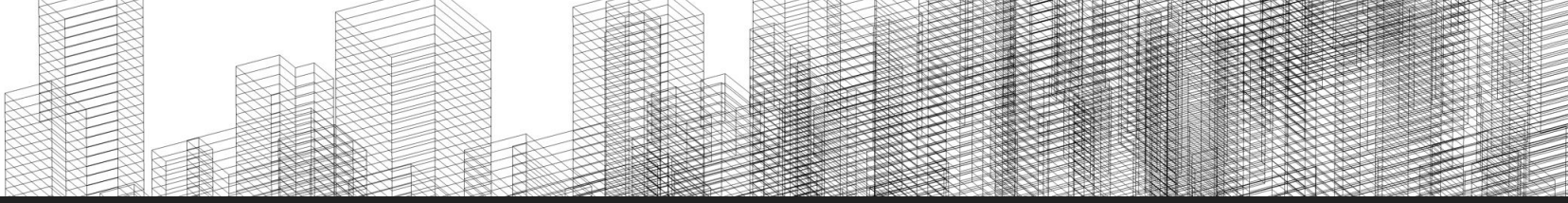
## Participation Guidelines for Secondary Portage Students

- Weekly check-ins with learning coaches are required for all students
- Frequency of family/student communication is determined by grade level and the need of individual students
  - Tier 1 - students on track: weekly, contact with content tutors as needed
    - All Middle School students required to check in weekly
  - Tier 2 - students not on track: along with weekly check in, student may have scheduled meetings with content tutors or Learning Coach with more frequent communication required



## Secondary Portage Attendance

- Five days per week log in to learning platform via Edgenuity
  - 5 of the 7 days per week attending
- If a student needs to be absent, guardian must report absence by calling or texting the attendance line @ 612-695-2139.
- Students will need to make up school work they missed when they return to school.
- We are required by Rice County Social Services to file for truancy or education neglect after a student has 7 unexcused absences in a school year.



## Secondary Portage Courses

All courses are aligned with MN Standards and delivered through Edgenuity.

Courses include:

English 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

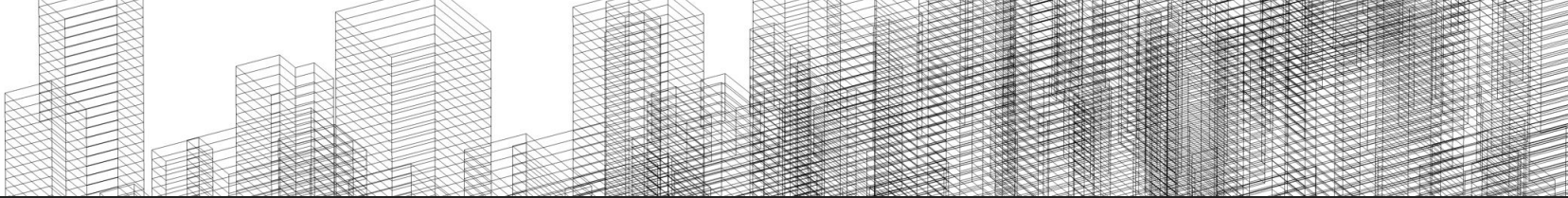
Math 6 & 7, Algebra 8, Geometry, Algebra II, Statistics

Science 6, 7, 8, Chemistry/Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics

Social Studies 6, 7, 8, US History, Civics, World History, Human Geography, Economics

Spanish 1, 2, 3

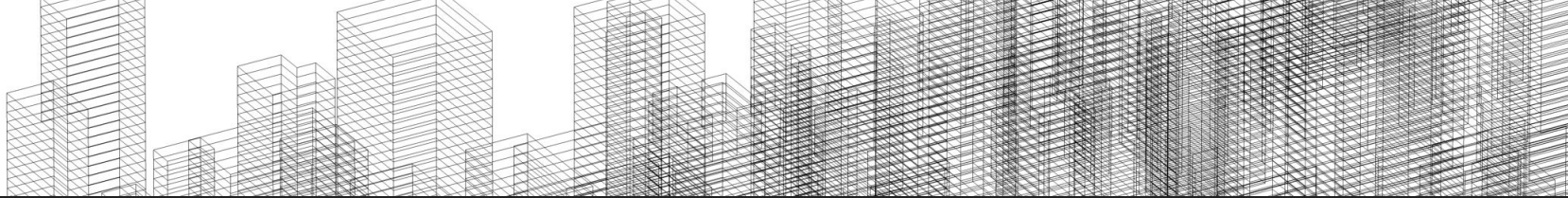
Intro to Art, Art History, Physical Education and Health, and 34 electives



# Secondary Portage Hybrid Opportunities

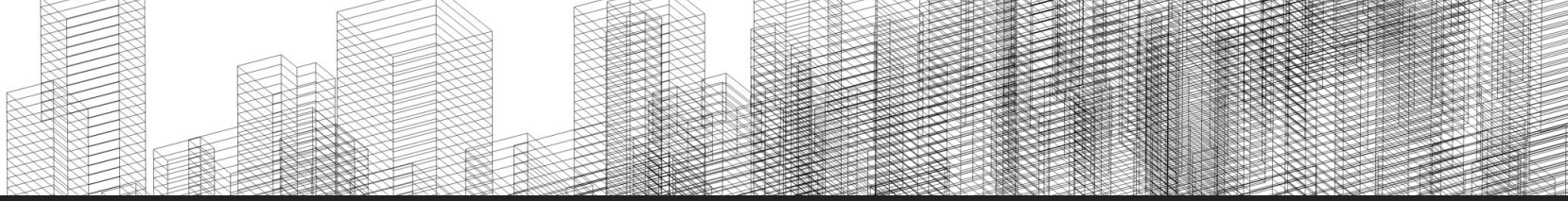
- **Middle School**
  - **Students may participate in Amistades, Band, Choir, Orchestra**
- **High School**
  - **Students may participate in up to 2 classes from the list below at the High School if space allows:**
    - **AP Courses**
    - **Band, Choir, Orchestra**
    - **Woods, Metals, Autos, Engineering, Robotics**
    - **Art department**





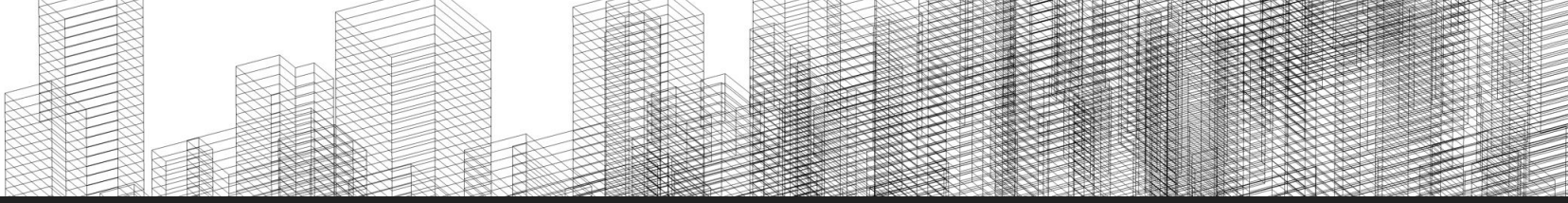
## Secondary Portage

- o Students may participate in athletics and other activities at the High School
    - Please note MSHSL requirements apply
- Portage Academic Policy
- Students in Portage must satisfy two criteria to be eligible for participation in athletic and fine arts programs. Information will be provided through the Edgenuity platform.
    - Students must be passing each class as calculated by the actual grade.
    - Academic progress will be determined by the calculation of completion progress for each class.
      - Example: If a student is 40% of the way through the course but should be 50% of the way through the course, his Progress Ratio is 40/50, or 0.8. The student's Actual Grade is the product of the Overall Grade and the Progress Ratio. This would be the Overall Grade times 0.8.
- o Students will be awarded a Northfield High School diploma upon completion of the graduation requirements.



## **Secondary Portage Family Account**

- Guardians have access to student progress and attendance through the Edgenuity family account online 24/7.
- A family activation code will be shared with families to set up the account.
- It is the responsibility of guardians to monitor student progress and attendance.
- Progress reports will be automatically emailed weekly to email on file.



## Next steps...

- o Steps to enrollment
  - Go to the Northfield Public Schools website ([northfieldschools.org](http://northfieldschools.org))
    - Under the schools tab, select “Portage Online”
    - Click “Enroll Now”
- o Meetings may be set up with families to talk through the handbook and answer any questions if needed.
- o If you would like to get in touch with Daryl to ask questions specific to your student(s), please contact him at [dkeehler@northfieldschools.org](mailto:dkeehler@northfieldschools.org) or 507-645-1201.