

THOMAS COUNTY SCHOOLS



MERIT

PROGRAM OF STUDY



Known as the MERIT program (Maximizing Education to Realize Intellectual Transformation), the purpose of MERIT is to challenge students to achieve their maximum academic potential while providing a supportive learning environment for advanced study and recognition for outstanding academic achievement. To be considered a high school MERIT student, a student must complete a prescribed number of designated classes and activities. **There is no formal application for the high school MERIT program as the designation will be determined by academic course selection and fulfillment of other program requirements.**

Student Name _____ **Date** _____

Class of	Requirement	Total	Student qualifications
Upper Level Classes	Eight Honors or Post-secondary level, four of which must be AP or Postsecondary level	8	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____
Foreign Language	Four years total—At least 2 units of the same language	4	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
Academic Average	Maintained at least an 85 numerical academic average	85	
Community Service/Service	80 total documented hours with at least 20 in service learning	80	
Extracurricular Activities	Participate in at least one extracurricular activity each year: a sport, club, or student government	4	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
Academic Competitions	Participate in at least one academic competition per year	4	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____