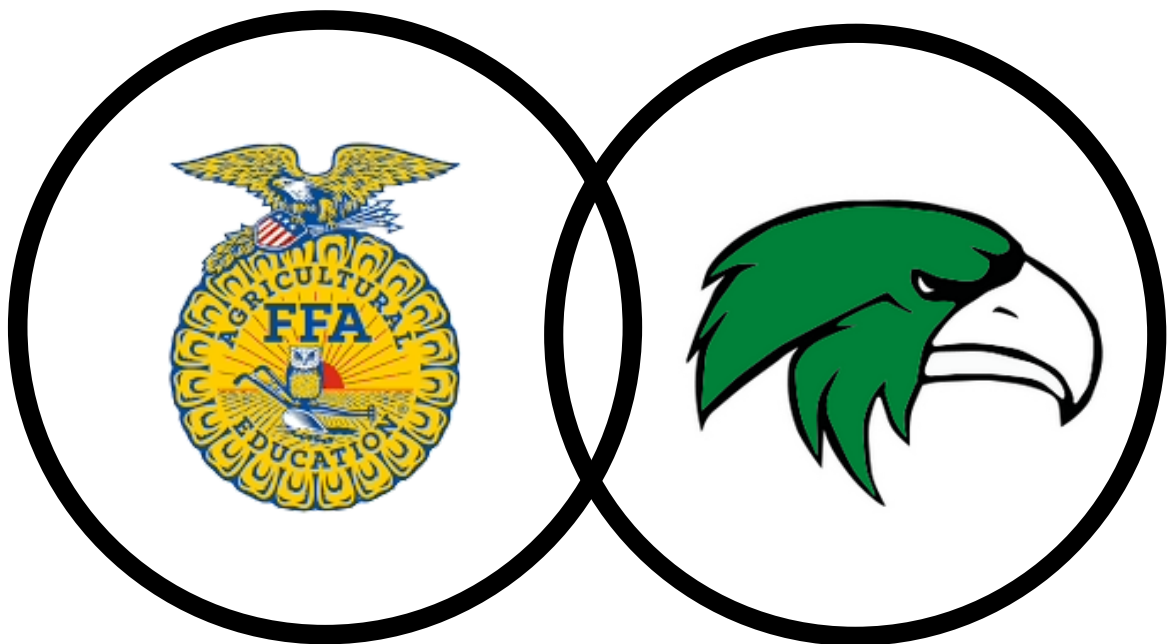


Meridian-Macon Handbook

MS. HARP



HOME OF THE HAWKS

*Preparing all students for success in life and helping each student
develop the capabilities necessary to make positive contributions in the
world.*

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT MS. HARP

Ms. Harp was raised in the small farming community of Mason City, Illinois. While not involved in a traditional farming background she was heavily involved in other ways. Through 4-H and the FFA Ms. Harp found her true passion in agriculture education.



Although knowing she wanted to be a teacher her whole life, agriculture is where she found her fit in the classroom.

Attending Illini Central High School allowed her to become involved in the school's FFA program. During her junior year, she held the position as Vice President.

After High School Ms. Harp attended Western Illinois University as an agriculture education major and communication minor. Through her time at Western, she was able to take on many opportunities that life had to offer. This allowed her to gain a multitude of experience in and out of the classroom. Some of these experiences include the GAST internship, the Organic farming internship, Pre-Service Agriculture Teacher Internship, and helping host FFA events through clubs and organizations. This allowed her to travel all around the state, exploring many programs and facets of agriculture. In the Spring of 2024, she student taught with Wyatt McGrew and Kaity Bowman (Spangler) at Macomb High School, where she learned what teaching was really about.

Currently, Ms. Harp holds the Chair Position on the Recruitment and Retention Committee through IAVAT and enjoys helping with the Jubilee Gardens of Blue Mound. Going into her second year of teaching, Ms. Harp is excited to see what the new year has in store!

MS. HARP'S EXPECTATIONS

Contact me:

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Ms. Harp's Schedule:

1st hour: Plant and Animal

2nd hour: Plant and Animal

3rd hour: Discovery Ag

4th hour: Discovery Ag

5th hour: Horticulture

6th hour: Prep

7th hour: Veterinary Technology

Class Expectations:

Learning to do... Come prepared with required materials so you can *do* in class activities.

Doing to learn... Participate in activities in and out of class. This is how we *learn*!

Earning to live... Everything in this classroom will be *earned* through your motivation and participation.

Living to serve... Be respectful to people, animals, and objects. Lead by example, that is what we are all about!

Warning System:

1st offense: Verbal warning

2nd offense: Written warning & email home

3rd offense: Write up to the office.

This warning system will be used for the following behavioral misconduct issues.

- Device misuse
- Disrespectful language
- Horseplay
- Anything that distracts from the learning environment

What you will need:

- Pen/pencil (pencil is preferred)
- Computer & CHARGER
- Proper attire (this will be announced prior to lab days/ activities where this is required)
- Positive attitude!

Technology:

Laptops: are to be charged and to only be used for school work.

Cellphones: are to be placed in your assigned number slot with notifications turned off unless given permission from teacher.

Grading:

Instruction: Classwork, homework, labs, quizzes, tests.

Late assignments: Late assignments will be accepted if due to circumstances already made aware by the teacher. Students will lose 10% of their earned grade per school day after the due date.

Example: You earned a 85% on your paper. The due date was Monday but you turned it in on Wednesday. Your new grade would be 65%.

Participation: You will get participation points daily by showing up, working, and following directions. This will be 25 pts a week. EASY points if you do what you are asked.

Ways you can lose partial or full participation points:

- Being late to class
- Being disrespectful
- Horseplay in the shop or lab
- Coming unprepared to class
- Not working on the project during designated work time
- Being on phone without teacher's approval.
- Any other actions that may distract from the learning environment

Grades for absent work:

Students are responsible for the work they missed when absent. Students can pick up their work that they missed from their folder that is in the filing cabinet.