



ADMINISTRATION

Principal

Antoinette Valenzuela

Assistant Principals

Benjamin Garcia

Darrell Garcia

Deidre Salaz

Deans

Kristina Gonzales, Restorative Practice

Christal Reid, School Culture

PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELORS

9th Grade Counselor

Helen Trujillo

10th-12th Grade Academic Counselors

Robert Reynolds, A-F

Elise Mackey, G-M

Jennifer Garciasalas, N-Z

College & Career Readiness Counselor

Kateri Sisneros

Crossroads Counselor

Melissa Milligan

CEEB CODE

320 - 028

Website:

<https://riogrande ravens.aps.edu/>



RIO GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-2023

2300 Arenal Rd. SW Albuquerque, NM 87105

Phone: 505.873.0220

Fax: 505.873.8523

COMMUNITY

Rio Grande High School (RGHS) is a large comprehensive four year high school in the Albuquerque Public School System located in the southwest quadrant of the city.

The school features Students from diverse ethnic backgrounds and various socioeconomic statuses. RGHS is a Title One School and qualifies for the Community Eligibility Provision with 100% of students receiving free lunch. RGHS has one of the largest Special Education populations in Albuquerque, as well as, one of the largest populations of English Language Developers and has a Bilingual School Program.

WEIGHTED CREDIT

All honors and AP courses are weighted by 0.25 per 0.5 credit earned. Weight is added to the flat GPA. There is no limit to the number of AP or Honors classes a student may take.

CLASS RANK & GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Calculated on a 4.0 scale, based on coursework completed in grades 9 - 12. Official ranking and final GPA are calculated at the end of the 8th semester.

DEMOGRAPHICS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS (2021-2022)

Students Enrolled: 1,582

Teachers: 106

Ethnic make-up:

93.93% Hispanic

3.47% White

1.32% Native American

0.69% African-American

0.5% Mixed

0.06% Asian/Pacific Islander

Special Education:

32%

English Language Learner:

39%

Free & Reduced Lunch:

100%

GRADING SCALE

A: 90% - 100% (4)
B: 80% - 89% (3)
C: 70% - 79% (2)
D: 60% - 69% (1)
F: 59% - or below

Lowest passing grade is 60%,
Students earn 0.5 credit for each
passing grade



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: 25 CREDITS

English: 4 credits
Math: 4 credits
Lab Science: 3 credits
Social Studies: 3.5 credits
Health: 0.5 credit
Physical Education: 1 credit
Electives: 9+ credits

CURRICULUM & PROGRAMS

Rio Grande High School offers rigorous college preparatory coursework, including advanced placement courses. RGHS is committed to the enrichment of student academic achievement.

DUAL CREDIT

Dual enrollment is available to students in grades 10 - 12, through the University of New Mexico and grades 9-12 through Central New Mexico Community College. Students may also take classes at the Career Enrichment Center, which offers courses unavailable at traditional public high schools (e.g., additional AP, dual credit, nursing, pre-vet/pre-med science courses).

DUAL LANGUAGE & BILINGUAL SEAL PROGRAM

The Bilingual Education Program at Rio Grande High School offers many opportunities to our students. The required classes are rigorous, fun, and inclusive of all the students in the program. Students who participate in the program can graduate with the Albuquerque Public Schools Bilingual Seal on their diploma. This achievement is also recorded on official transcripts. In addition to the many classes offered within the program, the students take both AP Spanish Language and AP Spanish Literature. A student successfully passing both AP exams could earn college credit at The University of New Mexico.

HONOR SOCIETY & AWARD REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for National Honor Society, students must maintain a 3.5 or higher GPA for at least three semesters. Academic Letters are awarded to students who have earned a 3.5 GPA per semester for at least four semesters.

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Athletic Training, Baseball, Boys & Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Dance Team, Football, Golf, Boys & Girls Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Boys & Girls Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball, Wrestling, Ravens in the NCAA.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

AVID, Band, Choir, Chess Club, DECA, Drama, E-Sports, Adventure Club, Garden Club, GSA (Genders and Sexualities Alliance), Guitar, JAG, La Corriente - Newspaper, Mariachi, MCJROTC, MECHA, Mock Trial, National Honor Society, Orchestra, Reading Ravens, Senate/Student Leadership, Yearbook.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSE OFFERINGS

English Literature & Composition
English Language & Composition
Physics I & II
Spanish Language & Culture
Spanish Literature & Culture
Calculus
Studio Art & Studio Art 2-D Design
US Government & Politics
US History/Geography
Computer Science

HONORS COURSES

English 9
English 10