

GREENBRIER HIGH SCHOOL

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WHAT WILL YOU LEARN TODAY?

- You will be able to determine how many credits you need to graduate.
- You will be able to identify which classes you need to register for the 25 - 26 school year.
- You will learn about the different Programs of Study and elective classes Greenbrier High School offers.
- You will review your grade level course registration checklist.



Course	Credits	Testing
English	4 credits	<u>EOC Testing</u> (20% of Final Grade) Algebra I Algebra II Geometry Biology English I & II US History (Subjects could change each year)
Math	4 credits	
Science	3 credits	
Social Studies	3 credits	
Personal Finance	.5 credit	
Wellness	1 credit	
Physical Education	.5 credit	
Elective Focus Area (POS)	3 credits	
Foreign Language	2 credits	<u>ACT</u> (Junior Year)
Fine Art	1 credit	
Computer Science Foundations	1 credit (New requirement for Class of 2028 and beyond)	
Electives	4 credits (3 for Class of 2028 and beyond)	<u>Civics Project</u> & must pass <u>TN Civics Test</u> with a 70% (US Government class)
Total	26 credits	

Graduation Requirements

Course breakdown by year

Subject	Credits	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
English	4	English I	English II	English III	English IV
Math	4	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Determined by ACT Score
Science	3	Physical Science	Biology	Chemistry or Physics	
Social Studies	3	World History & Geography		US History & Geography	Econ /US Government
Personal Finance	.5				Personal Finance
Wellness/PE	1.5	Wellness			P.E.
Foreign Language	2		Spanish I & Spanish II		
Fine Arts	1	See POS & Elective Sheet			
Computer Science Foundations	1	Computer Science Foundations (Class of 2029 and beyond)	Computer Science Foundations (Class of 2028)		
Other Electives	4 (or 3)	Electives	Electives	Electives	Electives
Elective Focus (POS)	3	See Chart	See Chart	See Chart	See Chart

ENGLISH REQUIREMENT (4)

- English 1 - 9th Grade 1 credit
 - English 2 - 10th Grade 1 credit
 - English 3 - 11th Grade 1 credit
 - English 4 - 12th Grade 1 credit
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- Dual Enrollment English 1010 & 1020 or AP English courses are available junior and senior year (dual is available through Vol State)
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- Students must take an English class every year.



MATH REQUIREMENT(4)

- Algebra 1: 1 credit
- Geometry: 1 credit
- Algebra 2: 1 credit
- Upper-level Math: 1 credit



-Senior level math courses are dependent on math subsection ACT Scores. Possible courses include Math Reasoning, Pre-Calculus, Statistics, AP Calculus or Dual Enrollment Math courses

-Students must take a math class every year.

-Students who took Algebra 1 in 8th grade, will take Geometry as a freshman and Algebra II as a sophomore. They will then need two higher level math courses junior and senior year.



SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS

Science: 3 credits

- Physical Science 1 credit
- Biology 1 credit
- Chemistry or Physics 1 credit



Social Studies: 3 credits

- World History & Geography 1 credit
- U.S. History & Geography 1 credit
- Economics 0.5 credit / 1 Quarter
- US Government 0.5 credit / 1 Quarter



FINE ART, FOREIGN LANGUAGE, & PROGRAM OF STUDY REQUIREMENTS



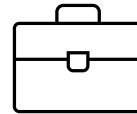
Fine Art

1.0 credit



World Language

2.0 credits



Program of Study

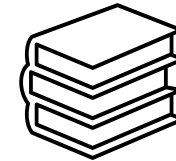
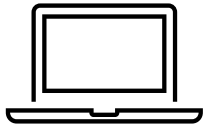
3.0 credits

Students completing a CTE elective focus should complete three units in the same CTE program area of study. Example: Cosmetology 1, 2 & 3

Elective Focus: Science & Math, Humanities, Fine Arts or Dual Enrollment can also fulfill those 3 credits. For example, BAND I,II,III or Visual Arts I,II,III may count as an elective focus after you have fulfilled your one fine art credit.



ADDITIONAL CREDIT REQUIREMENTS



*Computer Science Foundations	Personal Finance	Lifetime Wellness	Physical Education	Electives
1 Credit	.05 Credit	1 Credit	.05 Credit	4 (*3) Credits

*Computer Science Foundations is a new graduation requirement for the Class of 2028 and beyond. These classes will only need to have 3 additional elective courses.



English 1



Algebra 1



Physical Science



World History



Lifetime Wellness



Fine Art



Computer Science Foundations



Program of Study / Elective

TYPICAL FRESHMEN SCHEDULE (8 CREDITS)





English 2



Geometry



Biology



Spanish 1



Spanish 2



Computer Science Foundations



Program of Study / Elective



Program of Study / Elective

TYPICAL SOPHOMORE SCHEDULE

(8 CREDITS)





English 3



Algebra 2



US History



Chemistry



Electives



Electives



Electives



Electives

TYPICAL JUNIOR SCHEDULE (8 CREDITS)





English 4



Senior Math - Determined by ACT



Economics - .5 credit



U.S. Government - .5 credit



Personal Finance - **.5 credit**



PE - .5 credit



Complete Program of Study



Electives

TYPICAL SENIOR SCH EDULE (8 CREDITS)

Program of Study	Course I	Course II	Course III	Course IV
Veterinary and Animal Science	Agriscience	Small Animal Science	Large Animal Science	DE Veterinary Science
Agriculture Engineering and Applied Technologies	Agriscience	Principles of Agriculture Mechanics	Agriculture Power and Equipment	
Business Management & Administration	Principles of Office Applications	Business Communications	Business Management	Adv. Office Applications
Finance	Introduction to Business	Accounting I	Accounting II @ SHS	Statistics
Cosmetology	Cosmetology I	Cosmetology II	Cosmetology III	
Science, Technology, & Engineering	Principles of Engineering	Engineering Design I	Engineering Design II	
Fashion	Foundations of Fashion	Fashion Design	Advanced Fashion	
Therapeutic Services	Health Science Education	Human Anatomy & Physiology	Medical Therapeutics	Clinical Internship
AV Production	AV I	AV II	AV III	Dual AV
Marketing	Intro to Business & Marketing	Marketing and Manag. I: Principles	Event Planning	WBL:Marketing Management Spirit Store
Human Services	Human Studies	Lifespan Development	Family Studies	Psychology & Sociology (1/2 credit)
Nutrition	Human Studies	Nutrition Across the Lifespan	Nutrition Science & Diet Therapy	Psychology & Sociology (1/2 credit)
Education and Training	Teaching as a Profession I	Teaching as a Profession II	TAPS Practicum	DE Teaching as a Profession
Computer Science	Computer Science Foundations	Coding I	Coding II	
Cybersecurity	Computer Science Foundations	Cybersecurity I	Cybersecurity II	
Science Elective Offerings	Ecology	Earth & Space	AP Chemistry	Human Anatomy & Physiology
Science Elective Offerings	Physics	Biology II		

GHS ELECTIVE

FOCUS OPTIONS

Fine Art Elective Offerings	Visual Art I-III or Art History	Piano or Guitar	General Music Theory or AP Music Theory	Theater
Elective Offerings	Genre: Gothic Literature	Genre: Women's Literature	Genre: Young Adult Literature	Creative Writing
Elective Offerings	Spanish III & Spanish IV	Contemporary Issues (1/2 credit)	Men's Volleyball (1/2 credit)	P.E. I & II (1/2 credit)
Elective Offerings	Weight Conditioning (1/2 credit)	Net Games or Team Games (1/2 credit)	Powerwalking or Table Tennis (1/2 credit)	Men or Women's PE (1/2 credit)
Elective Offerings	TN History (1/2 credit)	Ancient History (1/2 credit)	African American History (1/2 credit)	Psychology or Sociology (1/2 credit)
Elective Offerings	ACT Prep (1/2 credit)	Work-based Learning (12th only)	Service Learning (12th only)	

CTE Program of Study	Course I	Course II	Course III	Course IV (optional)
Residential & Commercial Construction	Fundamentals of Construction	Residential & Commercial Construction I	Residential & Commercial Construction II	Construction Practicum
Digital Arts & Design	Digital Arts 1	Digital Arts II	Digital Arts III	Applied Arts Practicum
Culinary Arts	Culinary Arts I	Culinary Arts II	Culinary Arts III	Culinary Arts IV
Criminal Justice & Corrective Services	Criminal Justice I	Criminal Justice II	Criminal Justice III	Criminal Justice IV
Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair	Automotive MLR I	Automotive MLR II (DUAL)	Automotive MLR III (DUAL)	Automotive MLR IV (DUAL)
ROTC	ROTC I	ROTC II	ROTC III	ROTC IV

SPRINGFIELD HIGH SCHOOL ELECTIVE FOCUS OPTIONS

- Springfield CTE courses are during third block.
- Students ride the tech bus to Springfield high school every day.



TCAT DUAL ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

JUNIOR & SENIOR YEAR ONLY

CTE Program of Study	Course I	Course II	Course III	Course IV (Optional)
Dual HVAC (SHS)	HVAC 1	HVAC II	HVAC III	HVAC IV
Dual Welding (SHS)	Welding I	Welding II	Welding III	Welding IV
Dual Maintenance & Light Repair	MLR 2	MLR 3		
*Dual Coding	Coding I	Coding II	Coding III	Coding IV
*Dual Mechatronics	Mechatronics I	Mechatronics II	Mechatronics III	Mechatronics IV

GHS ELECTIVES CONTINUED

*This is a draft of course offerings.

We must have enough students request these elective classes to offer them next year. An updated sheet will be provided once the classes we are offering next year are finalized.

Elective Focus and Programs of Study:

1. Career and Technical Education
2. Fine Arts (3 credits in addition to fine graduation requirement)
3. AP (combination of 3 AP courses not used to satisfy graduation requirement)
4. DE (combination of 3 dual enrollment courses not used to satisfy graduation requirement)
5. Humanities (combination of language, history, psychology, sociology, etc. not used to satisfy graduation requirement)
6. Math and Science (combination of 3 additional math and science courses not used to satisfy graduation requirement)



ATHLETIC BLOCK

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ▪ Cross Country | 0.5 credit (Fall) |
| ▪ Volleyball | 0.5 credit (Fall) |
| ▪ Football | 2.0 credits (Full year) |
| ▪ Basketball (Men or Women's) | 2.0 credits (Full year) |
| ▪ Softball | 1.0 credit (Spring) |
| ▪ Baseball | 1.0 credit (Spring) |

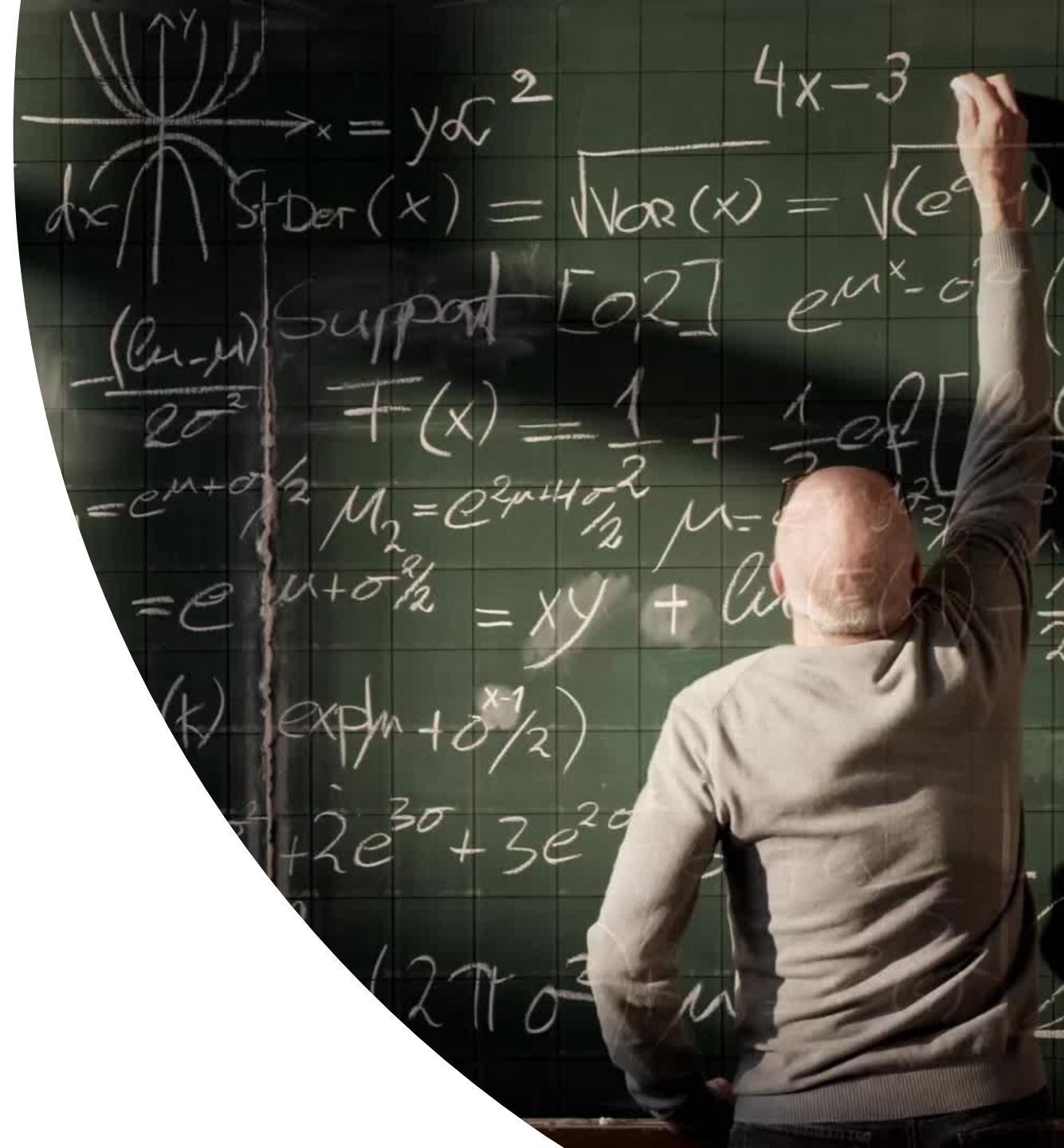
- 4th block sports satisfy PE requirement
- Athletic classes are NOT required classes. However, they will count as P.E. credits.
- Athletic classes are a privilege and do not always work with student's schedule.
- If an athlete fails an academic course, they will be removed from the athletic class and put into an academic course.

ADVANCED COURSES

- Advanced classes add 3 rigor points to your final grade at the end of the semester.
- Higher expectations
- Increased coursework and pace
- Helps you stand out on college and scholarship applications.

Advanced courses:

- Algebra 1 & 2
- Geometry
- Physical Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English 1 & 2
- World History
- US History
- Spanish I & 2



ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSES

- AP courses are taught at a depth and rigor equal to college-level coursework. They will, by their very nature, more challenging and demanding.
- Students must take the AP exam for the high school transcript to indicate AP coursework.
- AP Courses add **5** rigor points to your final grade.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

World History
US History
Music Theory
AP English Language & Composition III
AP English Language & Composition IV



ADVANCED PLACEMENT VS. DUAL ENROLLMENT



AP

- Requires passing AP exam (4 or 5) to receive college credit (some colleges will accept a score of 3)
- Transfers easily from college to college and across state lines
- Course is free but exam costs \$\$
- Score Reports are sent through College Board (small fee applies after sent once)

Search the College Board's [AP Credit Policy Search](#) for more info

DUAL CREDIT

- Requires passing grade to receive college credit
 - Can transfer from college to college but does not always
 - Course costs \$\$ (Flat rate/credit hour; Most courses = 3 credit hrs)
 - Scores are sent through the National Student Clearinghouse (small fee applies)
- Offered through high school
 - Course grade posts to high school transcript
 - Great option to lower cost of college in the long run

Search "Transfer Equivalency Tool" and the institution you are taking dual credit through to learn which courses will transfer from school to school



2/3/2025

Robertson County EPSO Opportunities (Juniors & Seniors only!)



Dual Enrollment through Volunteer State Community College to gain college/high school credit. [Dual Enrollment | Volunteer State Community College](#)



Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT) to gain industry certification. [Dual Enrollment | TCAT Nashville](#)



University of Tennessee Martin to gain college credit in the area of agriculture. [Dual Enrollment | UT Martin](#)



Vol State Community College Collaborative to earn post secondary credits the possibility to earn an Associate's Degree while meeting high school graduation requirements.

M O R E I N F O . W I L L
B E P R O V I D E D I N
C O U N S E L I N G
P R E S E N T A T I O N S
D U R I N G
S O P H O M O R E
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The Robertson County School System has many opportunities for post-secondary credit to jump start student's college/career paths. Students meeting the college admissions guidelines can receive up to five free college courses.



DUAL ENROLLMENT

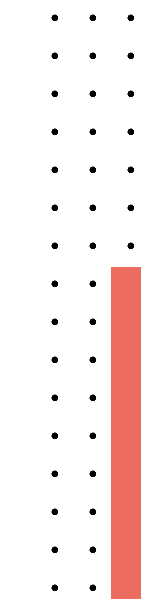
New students interested in dual enrollment must meet the following criteria:

- Junior or Senior in High School
- College-level test scores. **ACT, ACCUPLACER, or equivalent**
- Have permission from parents/guardian and counselor
- Complete an application for admission to VSCC
- Satisfy all admission requirements prior to registering for classes

PLACEMENT TEST	ENGLISH / WRITING	READING	MATH
ACT	18	19	19
ACCUPLACER	250	250	250
High School GPA	3.6+		



There will be a dual enrollment interest meeting on Thursday, February 20th, at 5 pm with Vol State in the GHS Theater.



COMMUNICATION



- Parents and students have their own accounts
- PowerSchool access shows:
 - Grades
 - Classes
 - Attendance
 - GPA
 - Missing assignments
- Students can see where they stand in a class.



Microsoft Teams

- Students' TEAMS pages will be **THE** main source of communication from the school counseling office.
- It has announcements, reminders, and folders on college and career planning, student opportunities, etc.



- Students should get in the habit of checking their email daily!
- Students need to create a personal email while in high school.
- Students can use outlook email to create a to do list, set reminders, and use the calendar to keep up with assignments, projects, test, and extracurricular activities.

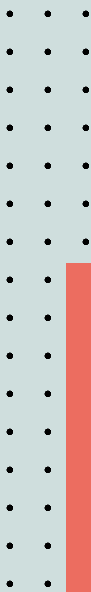


ATTENDANCE

Attendance is important to earning credits. If you are not in class, then you cannot receive the instruction to earn credits.

The State of Tennessee and Robertson County Board of Education adopted a policy where 8 unexcused tardies or early dismissals will equal 1 unexcused absence. 10 unexcused absences may result in truancy charges.

2024-2025 District Attendance Expectations
5 tardies- 3-Day detention (lunch or after school) 8 tardies- 5-Day detention (lunch or after school) 10 tardies- 1 day ISS, request parent meeting 15 tardies- 2-day ISS 20 tardies- 3-day ISS no participation in athletic/extracurricular activities, put on warning in writing that 5 more tardies, will result in the loss of prom and other extracurricular activities. 25 tardies- loss of prom and other extracurricular activities
Coaches/Club Advisor/Band Director will have standards for practice/game attendance.
Students must be at school and counted present for that day to participate in extracurricular activities and athletic contest/practice that afternoon/evening/weekend. (principal discretion for documented emergencies or absence)
Any student who has OSS cannot practice/participate in athletic practice/contest and/or extracurricular activities that afternoon/evening/weekend.
10 or more unexcused absences in the school year- loss of prom privilege, and driving privileges revoked. 15 or more absences/year- unexcused absences, removal from team roster. 25 or more unexcused absences in the school year- loss of the privilege to participate in graduation.
Students in grades 9-12 will be allowed up to 2 parent notes a semester or 4 for the school year.



GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

A = 4 points

B = 3 points

C = 2 points

D = 1 points

F = 0 points

- GPA is very important for class rank, university admissions, scholarships, etc.
- Your GPA starts after your very first nine weeks (quarter 1) grades.
- Ranking (students taking advanced classes will be ranked above those that do not.)



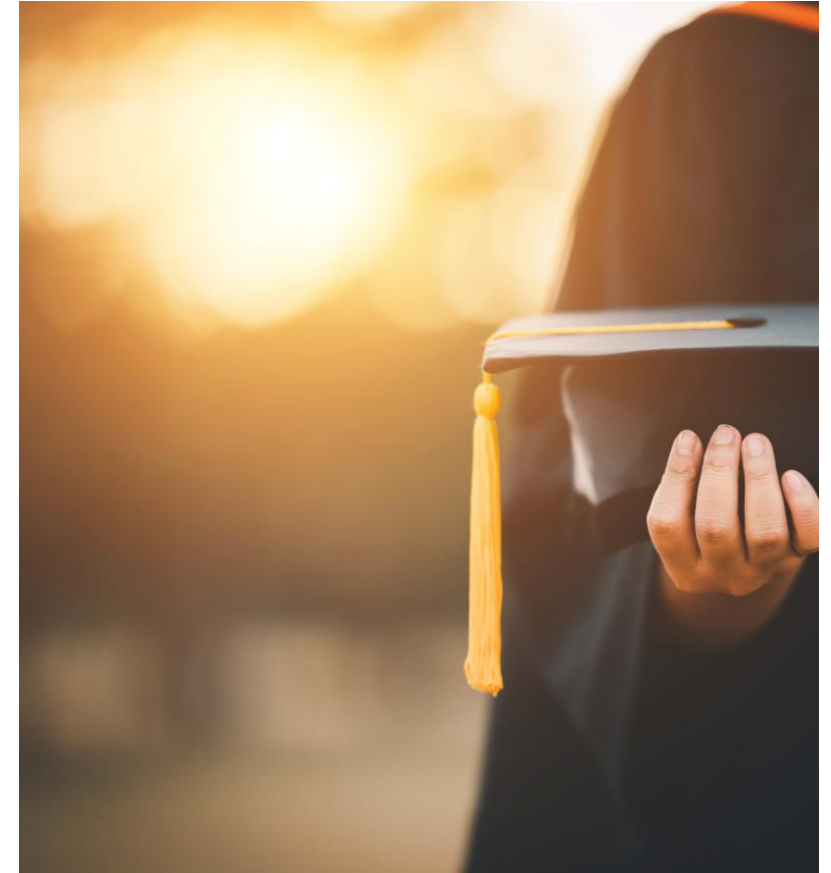
READY GRADUATE

The Tennessee Department of Education's Ready Graduate indicator is a statewide **accountability measurement** that shows the percentage of students who are on-track for college and career success, as demonstrated by their enrollment in rigorous Early Postsecondary Opportunities (EPSOs) and their achievement scores on national exams like the ACT or ASVAB.

Schools are measured each year on the types of courses, tests, and opportunities provided to students to get them ready for college, career, and life.

To be considered a Ready Graduate, a student must meet one of the following criteria by graduation:

- ACT Composite Score of 21 or higher
- 4 EPSOs
- 2 EPSOs and pass an industry certification
- 2 EPSOs and earn a 31 or higher on the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)



IMPORTANCE OF BEING A READY GRADUATE

- **College Readiness** – Helps students meet college admission requirements and reduces the need for remedial coursework.
- **Career Preparation** – Provides workforce credentials that can lead to employment opportunities immediately after high school.
- **Financial Benefits** – Earning college credits in high school saves money on tuition and can shorten the time needed to earn a degree.
- **More Opportunities** – Meeting Ready Graduate criteria gives students more choices, whether in higher education, technical training, or the military.
- For seniors, achieving **Ready Graduate** status is a major step toward ensuring a smooth and successful transition into their next phase of life.

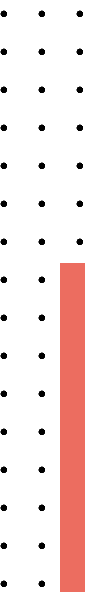
SCHOOL COUNSELING

- GHS School Counselors can help you with:

- Academic Counseling
- College & Career Counseling
- Social / Emotional Counseling

We can also connect you and your family with resources (through our school social worker) and equip you with tools to succeed.

SCHOOL COUNSELORS
IMPLEMENTING
COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL
COUNSELING PROGRAMS
STRIVE TO HAVE AN
IMPACT ON STUDENT
GROWTH IN THREE
DOMAIN AREAS:
ACADEMIC, CAREER AND
SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL
DEVELOPMENT (ASCA).





CLASS RANKING

- Students are ranked AFTER quarter 3 of senior year
- Students who take a minimum of 8 Advanced, AP and/or Dual Enrollment classes will be ranked above any student who does not, regardless of GPA
- Highest composite ACT score (on file at the time of calculation) will be used in determining final ranking
- Credits earned prior to 9th grade do not count

CREDIT RECOVERY

- Students work on coursework during CAT time and in the after-school program.
- May work on course(s) at home as well.

***Students MUST retake any classes they failed to earn back that credit!**

***This is self-guided and much more difficult.**



HONORS & DISTINCTIONS

- To graduate with Honors a senior must complete all graduation requirements with a minimum 3.50 GPA.
- To graduate with State Honors the student must meet all four Benchmarks on the ACT and have a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- To graduate with Distinction a student must have a 3.0 GPA and meet **one** of the following criteria:
 - Earn 12 hours of Dual Enrollment
 - Score a 31 or higher on the ACT
 - Attain a score of 3 or higher on 2 AP tests
 - Earn an industry certification
 - Participate in a Governor's School

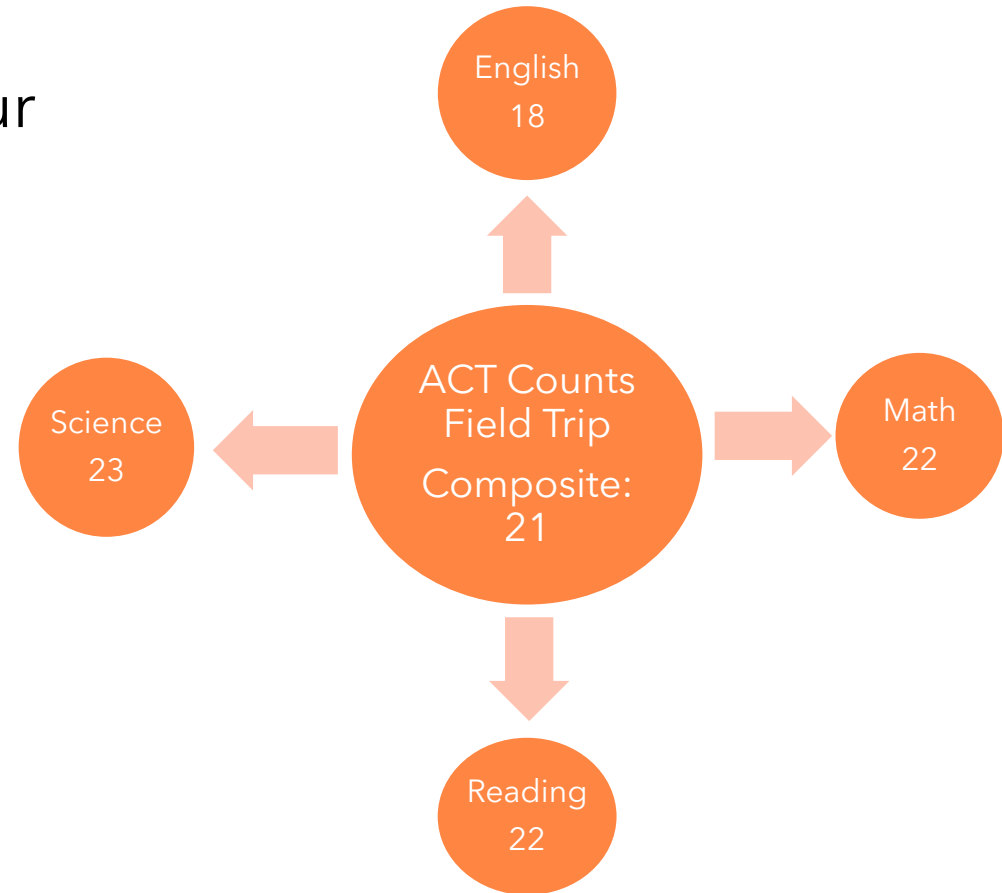
Yes, you can graduate with all three!



ACT TEST

The higher your score the better your scholarships!

- Read often
- Visit ACT.org for free practice
- Attend ACT tutoring
- Set an ACT score goal
- Enroll in ACT Prep
- Take rigorous courses



[Click here to review the changes coming to the ACT!](#)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

- Course specific: HOSA, FCCLA, FBLA, DECA, FFA, TSA, AV
- Interest-based: Renaissance, Yearbook, FCA, Senior Sisters, Pep Club, Drama
- GPA Based: Beta Club, NHS
- Leadership: Student Council



CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

- FCA – Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- FFA – Future Farmers of America
- FBLA – Future Business Leaders of America
- FTA- Future Teachers of America
- TSA- Technology Student Association
- Deca – Future leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management.
- Beta – International Honor Society
- NHS – National Honor Society
- Hosa – Future Health Professionals
- FCCLA – Family Career & Community Leaders of America
- Yearbook Club
- Senior Sisters
- Broadcasting/ AV Club
- Drama Club
- Student Council - Student-led organization that serves as a representative body for the student population by hosting school wide events and promoting a positive school culture.
- RAT Pack – Renaissance Action Team



IMPORTANT!

- School Counselors will meet with students individually to review their course selections and answer any questions.
- As a reminder, this is pre - registration and these course are request only - **NOT** guaranteed.
- Refer to the Robertson County Course Catalog for course descriptions and assistance in selecting courses.
- Students who do not submit their signed course request sheet will risk having courses selected for them.
- Schedule changes are **NOT** possible once the deadline has passed.
- Schedule changes are requests and may not be honored. Upperclassmen take priority due to graduation requirements.
- **ALL** schedule changes (Fall & Spring Semester) are completed by August 8th, 2025.



A stack of books is shown at the bottom of the frame. Above the books, various mathematical symbols and icons are floating in the air, including a plus sign, a zero, a question mark, a magnifying glass, a pencil, and a calculator. The background is a blurred image of a library or bookstore.

ROBERTSON COUNTY COURSE CATALOG

- Robertson County Course Catalog
- Prerequisite: a thing that is required as a prior condition for something else to happen or exist. Example:
Cosmetology 1 is a prerequisite to Cosmetology 2.
- It is important to read the course descriptions to know what you are signing up for. The title does not say it all!
- Semester long class = 1.0 credit
- Quarter long class = .5 credit





HELPFUL WEBSITES

Helpful Links:

- [Pathways by School](#): Will take you to the page with school folders. Open the folder of the high school needed and all pathways will be available.
- [Programs by School](#): Will take you to a page with Programs by school, CTE Offerings (Has everything on it), and EPSO/Industry Certification by pathway.
- <https://www.rcstn.net/>: Robertson County Schools Website
- <https://www.rcstn.net/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemid=43626064> Robertson County Schools Student Handbook
- <https://ghs.rcstn.net/home> Greenbrier High School Homepage





GHS PTO

Come meet new friends and join us as we support the amazing staff and great students of GHS!



We have opportunities for **EVERY** level of support:

- ~ help from home only
- ~ help for an hour or two a YEAR
- ~ help for an event a year
- ~ help monthly
- ~ help weekly
- ~ help daily
- ~ help financially



Scan the QR Code to let us know
your availability and interests and
to learn more about what we do!

QUESTIONS?



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