

# **Ragsdale High School**

School Counseling Department

## **Preparing for Graduation and Your Post-secondary Plans: The Importance of Freshman and Sophomore Year**



# **Graduation Requirements**

28 credits to graduate

The “right” 28

# State and Local Course Requirements for High School Graduation

Content Area	Future Ready Core	Occupational Course of Study
	For Ninth Graders Entering in 2012–2013 and Later	
<b>English</b>	<b>4 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English I</li> <li>English II</li> <li>English III</li> <li>English IV</li> </ul>	<b>4 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English I</li> <li>English II*</li> <li>English III</li> <li>English IV</li> </ul>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>4 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NC Math 1, 2, and 3 and a fourth mathematics course to be aligned with the student's post-high school plans.</li> </ul> NOTE: Credit shall be awarded for Math I, II, III if taken prior to the 2016-17 school year.	<b>Students must earn credit for:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9220B – Introduction to Math 1</li> <li>9225B – Math 1 and earn a math credit from the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9222B – Financial Management</li> <li>BF05 – Personal Finance – If Personal Finance is counted as a third math credit, the course may not also be counted as CTE credit.</li> <li>A CTE Concentration – A CTE Concentration can be used to fulfill the third math credit requirement.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Science</b>	<b>3 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earth/Environmental Science</li> <li>A Physical Science</li> <li>Biology</li> </ul>	<b>2 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applied Science</li> <li>Biology*</li> </ul>
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>4 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World History</li> <li>American History: The Founding Principles, Civics, and Economics</li> <li>American History I: Founding Principles</li> <li>American History II</li> </ul>	<b>2 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ninth graders entering in 2017–18</b> American History: Founding Principles, Civics, and Economics, American History I, or American History II</li> <li><b>Ninth graders entering in 2014–15</b> American History I and American History II</li> </ul>

<b>Global Languages</b>	Not required for graduation but 2 levels required for admission to the UNC System		Not required for Occupational Course of Study (OCS)
<b>Health and Physical Education</b>	<b>1 Credit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health/Physical Education I</li> </ul>		<b>1 Credit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health/Physical Education I</li> </ul>
<b>CPR</b>	Successful completion of CPR for students graduating 2015 and beyond		Successful completion of CPR for students graduating in 2015 and beyond
<b>Electives or Other Requirements</b>	<b>6 Credits</b> 2 elective credits of any combination from either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career and Technical Education (CTE)</li> <li>• Arts Education</li> <li>• Global Languages</li> </ul>	4 elective credits strongly recommended (four-course concentration) from one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career &amp; Technical Education (CTE**)</li> <li>• JROTC</li> <li>• Arts Education (e.g. dance, music, theater arts, visual arts)</li> <li>• Any other subject area (e.g., social studies, science, mathematics, English, Global Languages)</li> </ul>	<b>6 Credits</b> Occupational Preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupational Prep I</li> <li>• Occupational Prep II</li> <li>• Occupational Prep III</li> <li>• Occupational Prep IV***</li> <li>• Completion of IEP objectives</li> <li>• Career Portfolio required</li> </ul>
<b>Career/Technology</b>			<b>4 Credits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career/Technical Education electives</li> </ul>
<b>Arts Education</b>	DPI recommends at least one credit in an arts discipline, but is not required to meet graduation standards.		DPI recommends at least one credit in an arts discipline, but is not required to meet graduation standards.
<b>Total Minimum Credits Required</b>	<b>28 Credits</b> (block schools), <b>22 Credits</b> (traditional calendar, Middle Colleges, SCALE, Twilight, Newcomers, The Academy at Smith, and The Kearns Academy)		<b>28 Credits</b> (block schools), <b>22 Credits</b> (traditional calendar)

You can't just have enough credits...

You must also have the right credits

To get a credit you must pass the course

Minimum of 6 credits = 10<sup>th</sup> grade

Minimum of 13 credits = 11<sup>th</sup> grade

Minimum of 20 credits = 12<sup>th</sup> grade

Minimum of 28 credits = Graduate(Block)

\*\*Attendance matters

Do you know how to read a transcript?

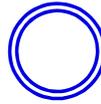
Do you know the importance of a  
transcript?

**CREDIT HISTORY**

	<b>Course</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Weighted</b>	<b>Unweighted</b>	<b>Earned Credits</b>
Grade: 9	2015/16				
95012X0	ROTC I / AERO SCIENCE I	97	4.000	4.000	1.00
35012X0	Earth/Environmental Science / EARTH/ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	91	4.000	4.000	1.00
54152X0	Visual Arts (Beginning) / VISUAL ART (BEGINNING)	95	4.000	4.000	1.00
43032X0	World History / WORLD HISTORY	83	3.000	3.000	1.00
21032X0	Math I / COMMON CORE MATH I	83	3.000	3.000	1.00
10215X0	English I Honors / HONORS ENGLISH I	75	2.500	2.000	1.00
BM102X0	Microsoft Word and PowerPoint / MS WORD AND POWERPOINT	92	4.000	4.000	1.00
60492X0	Health and PE Grades 9-12 / PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH I	70	2.000	2.000	1.00

Grade: 10	2016/17				
95022X0	ROTC II / AERO SCIENCE II	92	4.000	4.000	1.00
10222X0	English II / ENGLISH II	85	3.000	3.000	1.00
33205X0	Biology Honors / HONORS BIOLOGY I	77	2.500	2.000	1.00
BD102X0	Multimedia and Webpage Design / MULTIMEDIA AND WEBPAGE DESIGN	80	3.000	3.000	1.00
42092X0	Amer His: Found Prin, Civics & Econ / AMER HIST: FOUNDING PRIN, CIV&EC	78	2.000	2.000	1.00
22092X0	NC Math 2 / NC MATH 2	70	2.000	2.000	1.00
MH312X0	Sports and Entertainment Marketing I / SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT MKTG I	89	3.000	3.000	1.00
54162X0	Visual Arts (Intermediate) / VISUAL ART (INTERMEDIATE)	90	4.000	4.000	1.00

# Athletic Eligibility



- Grades
- Attendance
- Discipline



# NCAA ([www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org))



WELCOME!

The NCAA Eligibility Center will not combine section scores from the SAT taken beginning in March 2016 with scores taken prior to March 2016. [Read More](#)  
Athletes need to create a Certification Account if they want to compete at the Division 1 or 2



**NCAA COLLEGE-BOUND  
STUDENT-ATHLETES**

**ENTER HERE**

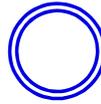
**HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS**

**ENTER HERE**

Click [here](#) to view the technical requirements for this website.

**Talk to your coach regarding NCAA requirements**

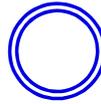
# Drivers Education



- Apply for Driver's Education by using the link below.
- Please note that you must register online beginning **21 days prior** to the first day of class.
- Registration **closes** five days before each class starts.
- Grade and Age requirements
- <http://ncdrivingschool.com/>

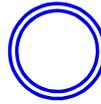


# Career and Technical Education Programs



- **GAP Program**
- **Career and College Promise**
- **Career Exploration**

# Registration



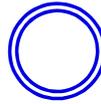
- Registration for next year will begin in the Spring
- Core courses will be based on grades and teacher recommendations
- Think about what electives you want and need for graduation, have alternates
- Students will meet briefly with their Counselors to complete registration

# The Importance of Testing



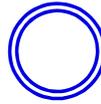
- Both the **SAT** and the **ACT** are used for college admission
- Take practice test
- Use Khan Academy to practice for the SAT test
- Checkout the website for both test to obtain registration and testing dates

# SAT/ ACT Scores



- Most schools require the SAT or ACT.
- Most schools will accept either test
  - Double-check with the schools you wish to apply to
  - This information can typically be found on their Admissions page
- It is the **STUDENT'S** responsibility to send *official* SAT/ACT
- If you qualify for free/reduced lunch, see your school counselor for a fee waiver.

# Governor's School



- The North Carolina Governor's School is a unique, enriching experience for **11<sup>th</sup>** graders (academics and performing arts) and **10<sup>th</sup>** graders (performing/visual arts **only**). [What is Governor's School?](#)
- Applicants must be NC residents and must have an EOC or other approved achievement test score of 92% or higher in the area of nomination (Please note that students may be tested or retested to obtain the 92% qualifying score before October 10<sup>th</sup>).
- Click <http://www.ncgovschool.org/overview/> to read the Governor's School Overview

What does GPA stand for?

Grade Point Average

How would you define GPA?

The average of your grades

Does your GPA matter even in 9<sup>th</sup> grade?

Yes, absolutely. When you send your transcript in 12 grade all grade levels will be included.

Additionally, it takes time increase your GPA

# How to Calculate Your GPA

GPA = Grade Point Average

$$A = 4$$

$$B = 3$$

$$C = 2$$

$$D = 1$$

$$F = 0$$

$$B = 3$$

$$A = 4$$

$$C = 2$$

$$B = 3$$

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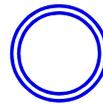
$$12$$

$$\frac{12}{4} = 3.0$$

Weighted – includes more points for honors, AP

**Un**weighted – does not include points for honors/AP

# 2019 –2020 Clubs and Athletics



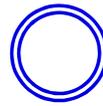
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<b>Club</b>	<b>Advisor(s)</b>
Audio Visual	Oldham, Pendrak
Battle of the Books	Gronwald
Breaking the Glass	Blake
Beta Club	Rahn, Horne
Campus Life/Young Life	
Chess Club	
DECA	
Drama Club	Reynolds/Miles
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Glasgow
French Club	Mattison
Hope Club	Medlin
HOSA	Alston
Interclub Council	
Karma Club	Honaker
Key Club	
Latin Club	Rogers
Model UN	Moss
National Honor Society	Johnson, K/Medlin
Peer Tutoring	Pollock, vanThillo
Service Learning	Haynes
Spirit Club	Horne
Student Congress	
Student Human Relations Club	Smith, Wiles
Study Abroad Club	Low
Tiger Guides	Moss
Wounded Warrior Project	Popek
Writer's Club	Miles
Video Game Club	Pendrak

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Coach</b>
Baseball	Maness
Cross Country/Track	Popek
Football	Boykin
Golf	Turner
Men's Basketball	Atkinson
Men's Lacrosse	Tyler Haines
Soccer	Braswell
Softball	Harbaugh
Swimming	Castillo
Tennis	Jeff Steed
Volleyball	Rusty Zarger
Women's Basketball	Ben Bradford
Women's Lacrosse	
Wresting	Lewis Walker



# Study Abroad



**\$25,000 IN  
SCHOLARSHIPS  
60 STUDENTS OVER 4  
YEARS**

**STUDY ABROAD SUMMER  
2020**

**RAGSDALE WEBSITE**

# NICK HORKEY WENT TO SEVILLE, SPAIN



# TALA ZAMAMIRI WENT TO PERTH, AUSTRALIA.

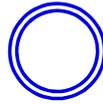


# Kateland Wilhite Went to Ferrara, Italy

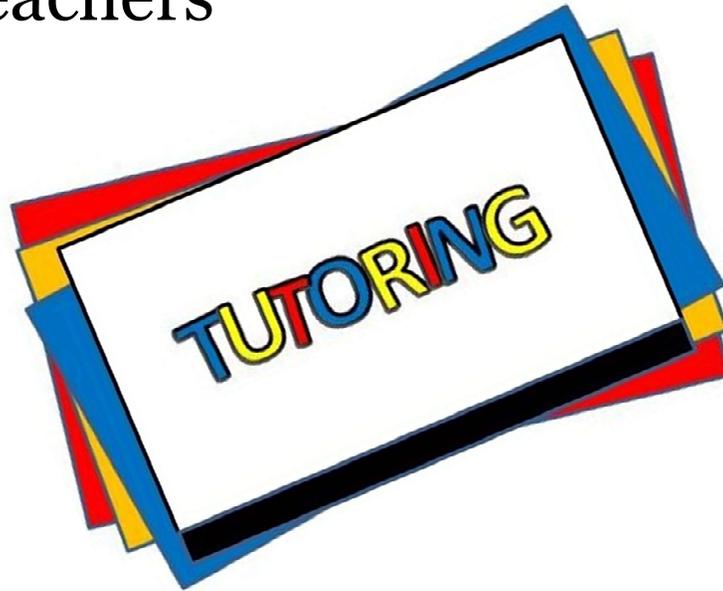


# Attendance

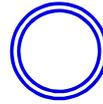
# Tutoring



- Peer Tutoring
- Tutorials
- Tutoring from Teachers



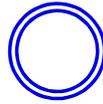
# Things To Look For



- Changes in Child Behavior
- Who is your child spending time together with?
- Is your student getting involved



# Parent Involvement



- PowerSchool
- Transitioning Responsibility to Student
- Encouraging Student to Advocate for themselves

*“At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.”*  
- Jane D. Hull

# RHS Student Services

<b>Dr. Karen Meadows</b> School Counselor Last Names A - C	<b>Mrs. Susan Dehart</b> Career Development Coach
<b>Mrs. Suzanne Ladka</b> School Counselor Last Names D - H	<b>Mrs. Di Hicks</b> Graduation Coach
<b>Ms. Rebecca Wiles</b> School Counselor Last Names I - M	<b>Mr. Cliff Jackson</b> School Social Worker
<b>Dr. Lonnie Smith</b> School Counselor Last Names N - S	<b>Mrs. Melissa Quick</b> Office Support
<b>Mrs. Gina Reid</b> School Counselor Last Names T - Z	<b>Ms. Shelley Alker</b> Office Support

**To stay on top of important information, continuously check the [RHS School Counseling](#) webpage**

**Always review [your class](#) page**