# Rockwall Heath High School CLASS OF 2028

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Student Registration





# Agenda & Introductions

#### **Graduation Requirements**

- Courses
- Endorsements
- STAAR/EOC

#### Credits, GPA & Class Rank

Top 10% - Automatic Admission

#### **Freshman Course Offerings**

- Core Classes
- Language Other Than English/Fine Arts/Physical Activity

**Advanced Coursework Considerations** 

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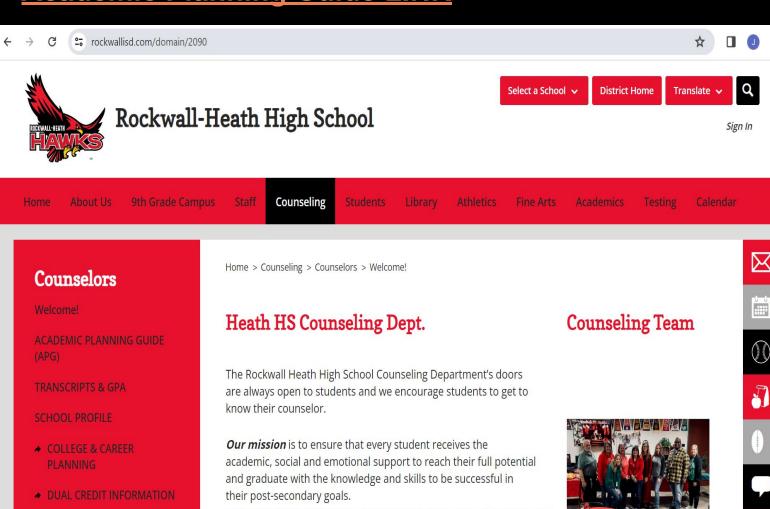
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#### **Graduation Plan**

Page 15 of the APG (Academic Planning Guide)

**Academic Planning Guide LINK** 



#### Foundation with Endorsement(s) Or Distinguished Achievement with Endorsement 4 Credits English I English II English III **English Language Arts** Advanced English course 4 Credits Algebra I Geometry Two advanced math courses\* (Algebra II is Mathematics required for distinguished level of achievement and for some endorsements). 4 Credits Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC) (Should be taken concurrently with Algebra I. If you received Pre-AP Algebra I credit in 8th grade, you will take Biology or Pre-AP Biology in 9th grade instead of IPC and will need three additional advanced science courses.) Science Two additional advanced science courses (Chemistry and/or Physics required for some programs of study.) World Geography and/or World History US History Social Studies Government/Economics (.5 credit each) Physical Education 1 Credit Languages Other Than 2 Credits from the same language English (LOTE) Fine Arts 1 Credit 7 Credits Electives (Includes the credit requirements of the student's declared endorsement) 26 **Total Credits**

#### Endorsements

Page 9 of the APG (Academic Planning Guide)

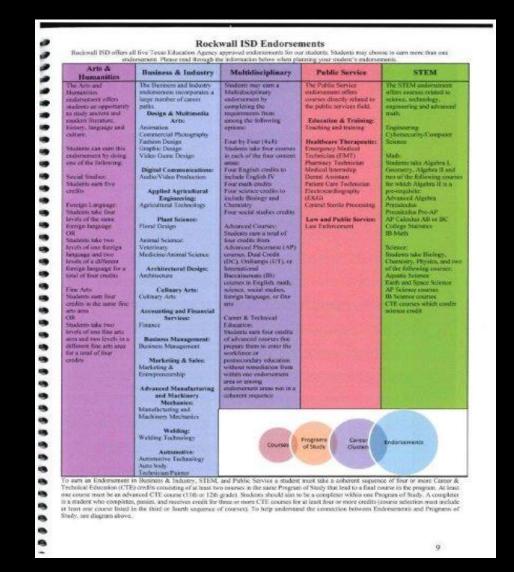
**Arts & Humanities** 

**Business & Industry** 

**Multidisciplinary Studies\*** 

**Public Service** 

**STEM** 



<sup>\*</sup>The state of Texas requires a student to have at least 1 endorsement to graduate. Most Freshmen will earn the Multidisciplinary Studies endorsement, however, may change/add endorsements.

# EOC (STAAR) Requirement

Students must pass the 5 required STAAR End of Course Assessments to graduate.

- English 1
- English 2
- Algebra 1
- Biology
- US History

<sup>\*</sup>Retest opportunities are available three times per year for students who are not successful on their first attempt.



# **Course Credits**

Credits are earned upon passing a course at 70% or higher.

I semester = .5 Credit

2 Semesters = | credit

- Student must have 90% attendance to receive credit for a class.
- Students have the possibility to earn 8 credits per year.
- A total of 26 credits are required for graduation.

How do I get promoted to the next grade?

- at least 6 credits for 10th grade
- at least 12 credits for 11th grade
- at least 18 credits for 12th grade



# Grade Point Average

- GPA calculation begins with the first high school credit.
- The weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) used for class rank is based on a 5.0 point scale.
- More information regarding GPA is available in the RISD APG (Academic Planning Guide), page 20.

## Top 10% and Automatic Admission

Disclaimer: The Texas Automatic Admission policy guarantee is for all Texas public colleges or universities and is available to students that graduate in the top 10% of their class.

- Students are assured admission to the college, but not always their desired major.
- Students must apply by the deadline set by the college/university.

Exception: University of Texas at Austin Automatic Admission varies by year.

Class of 2022 – Top 6%

Class of 2023 – Top 6%

Class of 2024 – Top 6%

### Advanced Academics – What you need to know

- Content is challenging
- Requires more time outside of the school day
- Pre-AP/Honors courses prepare for the challenge of AP and IB courses
- AP and IB classes require 4-6 hours of work per week outside of the classroom
- You DO NOT have to take all pre ap/AP courses
- Organization and time management skills are needed in order to be successful.
- Enrolling in an advanced course is an individual decision
- Maintaining a healthy <u>balance</u> is key.

Honors classes are geared towards higher level thinking skills and are often exploratory in nature. All the answers will not be given to the you. Students will have to think and apply previous knowledge to new situations. The rigor of these classes will be at a new level compared to previous classes in middle school in order to prepare you for AP classes and beyond.

## College, Career, & Military Readiness

(Academic Planning Guide page 10)

The State of Texas asks all high school graduates to be "college ready" and earn their CCMR
Credential. There are several ways to earn this over the student's four years in high school. Please review the chart so you are familiar with the CCMR information.

#### College, Career, & Military Readiness

College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR) is how Rockwall ISD is preparing students for their future. There are many paths of success and we want to ensure we are meeting the unique needs of our students. During high school a student should meet at least one of the following CCMR indicators to show post-secondary readiness.

Test Requirements for Both College and Career Readiness  Must have college ready scores for one test or a combination of tests and/or college prep courses			
TSIA2*	SAT	A	CT
ELAR - 945	Reading & Writing - 480	Through February 14, 2023	On & After February 15, 2023
Essay - 5	Math - 530	English – 19	English & Reading -
Math - 950		Math - 19	combined score 40
		Composite – 23	Math - 22
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	Colle	ge Readiness	
College Prep	Dual Credit	Advanced Placement (AP)/ International Baccalaureate (IB)	OnRamps
Texas College Bridge – English and Math	3 credit hours in English or Math or 9 credit hours in any other course	Score 3 on AP exam Score 4 on IB exam	Qualify for college credit in an OnRamps course

	Career Readiness	
Industry-Based Certification (IBC)	Special Education	Military
Complete a CTE Program of Study and	Graduate with an advanced degree plan or	Complete a DD4 form showing they
earn a certification	Graduate with an IEP and workforce-readiness	have enlisted in the US Armed Forces



#### **Freshman Courses**

For Course Information and Prerequisites, see the APG (Academic Planning Guide)

You will choose a total of 8 courses.

#### 4 Required core classes:

- <u>English/ELA:</u> English I; Honors English I; SAGE Honors English I
- 2. <u>Math</u>: Determined by 8<sup>th</sup> grade math class
- 3. <u>Social Studies</u>: World Geography, Honors World Geography or AP Human Geography
- 4. <u>Science</u>: IPC, Biology or Honors Biology (determined by 8<sup>th</sup> grade science)

#### 4 Elective courses based on your interests and plan:

Options could include: Language Other Than English (LOTE), Physical Activity,

Fine Art or Endorsement Electives

\*ALTERNATES - you MUST choose 4 Alternates!

# RHHS Modified Block Schedule

#### Sample Schedule:

A	В
1 Everyday	1 Everyday
2	5
3	6
4	7
8 Everyday	8 Everyday

Α	В
1 Algebra I	1 Algebra I
2 Elective	5 English
3P.E.	6 Social Studie
4 I.P.C.	7 Art I
8 Spanish I	8 Spanish I

#### A/B day block schedule:

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
A	В	A	В	A
Holiday	В	A	В	A
В	A	В	A	В

# Class of 2028 Registration Timeline

February 7 & 8: RHHS Counselor Presentations at Cain MS and Utley MS

February 13 Utley One on one pick up course selection sheets

February 14 & 15 Cain One on one pick up course selection sheets





# QUESTIONS?

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All presentations, handouts & APG can be found on our website!

Go to RHHS website & click Counseling!