

## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Ringgold High School operates under 4x4 block schedule. With this schedule students take four classes each semester and have the opportunity to earn one credit per class. Catoosa County Public Schools require 28 units for graduation. Over a student's four years at RHS, each student will have the opportunity to take 32 classes. For high school graduation, the state of Georgia / Catoosa County Public Schools requires:

SUBJECT	UNITS REQUIRED
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Social Studies	4
Health/Personal Fitness	1
Technology	1
CTAE, Foreign Language, or Fine Arts (focused area of study)	3 (*2 semesters of the same foreign language are required for college but not graduation * fine art credit is recommended but not required)
Electives	7
<b>TOTAL UNITS (minimum)</b>	<b>28</b>

### Academic Courses of Study

Area of Study	Year	College Prep (CP)	Advanced Academics (Honors)*
<b>English</b>	9 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature/Composition	Honors 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature/Composition
	10 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature/Composition	Honors 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature/Composition
	11 <sup>th</sup>	American Literature/Composition	Honors American Literature/Composition <b>OR</b> AP Language/Composition
	12 <sup>th</sup>	British Literature/Composition	AP Literature/Composition
<b>Mathematics</b>	9 <sup>th</sup>	Algebra I	Accelerated Algebra/Geometry A
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Geometry	Accelerated Geometry B/Adv Algebra
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Algebra II	Accelerated Pre-Calculus
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-Calculus, AMDM, or College Readiness Math	AP Calculus <b>OR</b> AP Stats
<b>Science</b>	9 <sup>th</sup>	Environmental Science	Honors Physical Science
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Biology	Honors Biology
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Physics	Honors Chemistry
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Anatomy/Physiology, Chemistry or other 4 <sup>th</sup> Science	AP Biology, AP Physics, Honors Anatomy/Physiology, <b>OR</b> Honors Physics
<b>Social Studies</b>	9 <sup>th</sup>	World History	AP World History
	10 <sup>th</sup>	American Government	AP American Government
	11 <sup>th</sup>	United States History	AP United States History
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Economics	AP Macroeconomics

### Career Technical Agricultural Education (CTAE)

Career Technical pathways consist of a required three courses plus one additional course in that same career cluster. Student certification is based upon the student's score on an industry exam taken after completing all the coursework. Pathways are intended to be taken in order. Students are highly encouraged to complete a CTAE pathway.

### Post-Secondary School Planning

Students planning to enter into a four-year college must take two units of the same World Language. In addition, different types of institutions (universities, four-year colleges, two year colleges, technical schools) may have additional requirements. Many out of state colleges require a fine art class, but it is not required for high school graduation. College admissions offices look at a student's SAT, ACT, GPA, and the rigorous curriculum (advanced academic courses) students took and passed during high school, especially the number of Advanced Placement courses and Dual Enrollment courses.