

Ringgold High School

Parent Night #1

February 21,

2019



College Preparation Terms

- ▶ **SAT** (College Board) - The nation's most widely used college admission test: Scale is 800 per test
- ▶ **ACT** - “American College Test”: Scale is 1 to 36
- ▶ **Advanced Placement** - College level courses taught in high school: Scale on test is 1 to 5
- ▶ **PSAT** - pre-SAT provides feedback to students in 10th and 11th grade on their college readiness skills
- ▶ **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) - used almost universally for needs based scholarships.
- ▶ **HOPE Scholarship** - funded by the Georgia Lottery for Georgia high school graduates.

Ringgold High School

- ▶ Begin high school with the end in mind. What do you want to do with your high school diploma?
- ▶ **All high school diplomas are NOT created equal.**

Freshman Year

- ▶ What are your post high school plans?
College or work?
- ▶ **Push yourself to prepare yourself:**
Should you take honors courses?
- ▶ Meet with your school counselor to learn about your options.

Sophomore Year

- ▶ Schedule 2 foreign language classes if you plan to attend any 4 year college
- ◉ PSAT in October (Free for 10th grade students) This is an opportunity to determine a baseline to prepare for the SAT
- ▶ Start thinking college goals/plans. Talk to your school counselor.

Junior Year

- ▶ Attend up to 2 college visits/college fairs
- ▶ Identify colleges that interest you and determine admission requirements
- ▶ Talk about financing college / research scholarship opportunities
- ▶ Prepare for ACT or SAT, and begin taking.
- ▶ Continue to talk to your school counselor.

Senior Year

- ▶ Apply to Colleges early
- ▶ Take up to 2 college visits per semester (count as field trips)
- ▶ Apply for scholarships
 - ▶ Deadlines typically in Nov.-April
 - ▶ Many require an essay, which can be re-used
- ▶ SAT or ACT
- ▶ FAFSA (Financial Aid - December)

Earning a High School Diploma

- ▶ Catoosa County requires 28 earned credits to graduate
 - ▶ If the course requires an EOC, you must take the EOC which counts 20% of your grade.
 - ▶ To earn credit for a class, you must PASS the class (70+).
 - ▶ If you fail a required course, you must take it again.

Courses Required for Graduation

SUBJECT	UNITS REQUIRED
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Social Studies	4
Health/Personal Fitness	1
Here to Career class	1
CTAE/Foreign Language/ Fine Arts	3 (*2 semesters of the same foreign language are required for a 4 year college but not graduation; 1 fine arts credit recommended but not required)
Electives	7
TOTAL	28

Academic Program Options

- ▶ Ringgold High offers courses at several levels:
 - ▶ Remedial, Foundation, and Support
 - ▶ College Prep
 - ▶ Honors (AKA Gifted or Accelerated)
 - ▶ Advanced Placement (AP)
 - ▶ DE (Dual Enrollment - college courses)
- ▶ Honors, AP, and DE are more challenging, more demanding, and accelerated classes.

Grades and GPA (Grade Point Average)

▶ Grade Scale

▶ A = 90-100

▶ B = 80-89

▶ C = 74-79

▶ D = 70-73

▶ F = <70

▶ Scale Score

▶ A - 4.0

▶ B - 3.0

▶ C - 2.0

▶ D - 1.0

▶ F - 0.0

Graduates with Highest Honors

- ▶ CCPS Program
- ▶ Criteria:
 - ▶ 28 high school credits
 - ▶ Minimum of 6 at the honors/AP level
 - ▶ 90 or higher cumulative numeric GPA in Hope Core classes
- ▶ Valedictorian and Salutatorian are the two students with the highest GPA and graduating with Highest Honors
- ▶ CCPS does NOT weight GPA

HOPE Scholarship

- ▶ HOPE Scholarship Pays about 80-90% of tuition in state university or about \$4,000 a year toward private Georgia colleges
- ▶ Scholarship Requirements
 - ▶ 3.0 GPA in high school core classes (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language)
 - ▶ Failed classes count in GPA (F=0)
 - ▶ Must have 4 rigor classes in high school
- ▶ HOPE does weight GPA for DE and AP courses .5 for B's, C's, and D's

Zell Miller Hope Scholarship

- ▶ Scholarships pays 100% tuition
- ▶ Requirements
 - ▶ 3.7 core GPA
 - ▶ 1200 SAT (Critical Reading and Math) or 26 ACT
 - ▶ Must have 4 rigor classes in high school

HOPE Rigor Classes at RHS

DE CLASSES (COLLEGE)	AP AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
AP LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION	AP MACROECONOMICS
AP LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION	AP US HISTORY
ACCELERATED GEOMETRY/ ADV ALGEBRA	AP WORLD HISTORY
ALGEBRA II	AP BIOLOGY
ACCELERATED PRE-CALCULUS	CHEMISTRY (CP or Honors)
PRE-CALCULUS	HUMAN ANATOMY (CP or Honors)
ADVANCED MATH DECISION MAKING	PHYSICS (CP, Honors, and/or AP)
AP CALCULUS AB	SPANISH (II, III, and/or IV)
AP STATISTICS	GERMAN (II, III, and/or IV)
AP COMPUTER SCIENCE	FRENCH (II, III, and/or IV)

Academic Course of Study

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

Technical/2 Year College/Military

- ▶ Require high school diploma, but may accept GED
- ▶ Georgia Northwestern Tech is the closest
- ▶ SAT/ACT not required, may require other tests
- ▶ Ringgold High's college prep curriculum prepares you for success at this level.

Four Year Colleges

- ▶ Require high school diploma
- ▶ SAT or ACT
- ▶ Dalton State College is the closest
- ▶ Ringgold High's college prep curriculum will prepare students for **admission** to Dalton State, but students need Honors for **success** at Dalton State or any other four year college.

College and University Profiles



GNTC

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$2,674
- ▶ Has open admission policy
- ▶ Admission Requirements
 - ▶ ACCUPLACER placement test or acceptable ACT/SAT scores - required scores differ depending on program of study
 - ▶ High School rigor and GPA are considered
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit



Dalton State

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$4,116
 - ▶ + \$7970 for room and board
- ▶ Has open admission policy
- ▶ Admission Requirements
 - ▶ ACT Minimum English 14; Math 12
 - ▶ High School rigor and GPA are considered
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit



Kennesaw State

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$7,432
 - ▶ + \$11,467 for room and board
- ▶ Average Freshman Profile 2018
 - ▶ Average GPA 3.32
 - ▶ Average ACT 24
 - ▶ Average SAT 1196
 - ▶ Acceptance Rate 61%
 - ▶ High School rigor is not considered
 - ▶ High School GPA and ACT/SAT are VERY important
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit



University of Georgia

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$11,818
 - ▶ + \$10,060 for room and board
- ▶ Average Freshman Profile 2018
 - ▶ Average GPA 3.63
 - ▶ Average ACT 28
 - ▶ Average SAT 1290
 - ▶ Acceptance Rate 54%
 - ▶ High School rigor and GPA are VERY important
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit
 - ▶ Average student earned 4-8 AP classes
 - ▶ 90% of Freshman class took their high school's "most advanced" curriculum



Georgia Tech

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$12,418
 - ▶ + \$14,126 for room and board
- ▶ Average Freshman Profile 2018
 - ▶ Average GPA 3.76
 - ▶ Average ACT 31
 - ▶ Average SAT 1417
 - ▶ Acceptance Rate 23%
 - ▶ High School rigor and GPA are VERY important
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit
 - ▶ Students averaged 7-12 AP/DE classes
 - ▶ 94% took AP Calculus in high school



Berry College

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$35,716
 - ▶ + \$2,260 for room and board
- ▶ Average Freshman Profile 2018
 - ▶ Average GPA 3.56
 - ▶ Average ACT 26
 - ▶ Average SAT 1222
 - ▶ Acceptance Rate 62%
 - ▶ High School rigor and GPA are VERY important
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit

The logo for Berry College, featuring the words "BERRY" and "COLLEGE" stacked vertically in a white serif font on a dark blue rectangular background with a white border.

BERRY
COLLEGE

U. of TN @ Chattanooga

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$22,340 (out of state)
 - ▶ *Regional tuition if meet criteria
 - ▶ + \$8,676 for room and board
- ▶ Acceptance Rate: 83%
- ▶ Average Freshman Profile 2018
 - ▶ Average GPA 3.42
 - ▶ Average ACT 24
 - ▶ Average SAT 1240
 - ▶ High School rigor is VERY important
 - ▶ High School GPA is VERY important
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit



University of Alabama

- ▶ Annual Tuition: \$26,572
 - ▶ + \$10,102 for room and board
- ▶ Acceptance Rate 53%
- ▶ Average Freshman Profile 2018
 - ▶ Average GPA 3.56
 - ▶ Average ACT 28
 - ▶ Average SAT 1236
 - ▶ High School rigor is VERY important
 - ▶ High School GPA is VERY important
- ▶ Accepts AP and MOWR college credit



College Information Sources

- ▶ www.collegedata.com
- ▶ www.collegesimply.com
- ▶ www.prepscholar.com

College Credit in High School

- ▶ **Advanced Placement (AP)**
- ▶ **Dual Enrollment (DE)**

Advanced Placement

- ▶ AP is a national college curriculum
- ▶ AP teachers are trained and certified
- ▶ Students may take an AP exam in May (\$94) to **attempt** to earn college credit for the course
- ▶ AP exams are scored on a 5 point scale with students receiving college credit based on scores between 3-5 depending upon the individual college/university

AP at Ringgold

- ▶ AP Biology
- ▶ AP Physics
- ▶ AP American Govt.
- ▶ AP World History
- ▶ AP U.S. History
- ▶ AP Macroeconomics
- ▶ AP Calculus AB
- ▶ AP Statistics
- ▶ AP Language
- ▶ AP Literature
- ▶ AP Computer Science

AP vs. DE

- ▶ AP Programs are typically more rigorous
- ▶ DE classes have clearly defined results.
- ▶ In DE courses, students are treated like college age students.
- ▶ College credit is issued upon successful completion of course in DE.
- ▶ This is a personal decision as well as a course by course decision.

DE

- ▶ Students in grades 9-12 can earn college credit while in high school. Classes can be taken in the Fall, Spring and Summer up to 15 credit hours per semester.
- ▶ Student must meet college eligibility requirements in order to participate.
- ▶ The Catoosa County School System is responsible for making the final decision of eligibility for any student.

*New DE students **MUST** attend college student orientation.

DE Admittance Process

► STEP 1 - Meet the eligibility requirements:

DALTON STATE	GNTC
10 th - 12 th grade	9 th - 12 th grade
Must be 16 years old	11 th /12 th grade 2.6 Hope GPA (only for technical schools, will not work fall junior year)
3.0 GPA	SAT: 450 CR and 440 Math
SAT: 450 CR and 500 Math	ACT: 17 Reading, 16 Writing, and 19 Math
ACT: 19 English and 21 Math	ACCUPLACER: Dependent on program of study*
Fall Deadline July 1	Fall Deadline May 1

DE Admittance Process

- ▶ Step 2 - Meet with your school counselor for information regarding the application process **AFTER** you meet eligibility requirements.
- ▶ Steps : Complete application processes with DE and attending college.
- ▶ New DE students **MUST** attend college student orientation.
- ▶ DE students are expected to be responsible and are treated as college age students. Communication is between the college and the student, not the parent.

DE at Ringgold

- ▶ GNTC on our RHS campus:
 - ▶ ENGL 1101/ 2130 - Adv. Comp. / American Lit
 - ▶ ENGL 1102 - Lit. Comp.
 - ▶ HIST 2111/2112 - US History I / II
 - ▶ HIST 1111/1112 - World History I / II
 - ▶ MATH 1111 - College Algebra
 - ▶ MATH 1113 - Pre-Calculus
 - ▶ COMP 1000 - Intro to Computers
- ▶ Dalton on the RHS campus:
 - ▶ Bio 1107/1108 - Biology I and II

*Must have 15 students for classes to make. (March 29, 2019)

Enrolling in AP or DE

- ▶ You may register for AP classes during online registration or with a counselor until May 23rd.
- ▶ Register for your RHS classes as normal, then see your school counselor to begin the application process for DE courses.
- ▶ GNTC deadline is May 1st, 2019 for fall classes.
- ▶ Dalton State deadline is July 1st, 2019 for fall classes.

Academic Courses

- ▶ Math - has been entered based on teacher recommendation and test data for 9th and 10th graders. Parents and student must sign a waiver to change math courses.
- ▶ Science - CP, Honors, or AP
- ▶ English - CP, Honors, or AP
- ▶ Social Studies - CP, Honors, or AP

CTAE Pathways

Information Technology - Programming	Business and Technology
Entrepreneurship	Graphic Design
Early Childhood Education	Graphic Communication
Law Enforcement Services (2 pathways)	Audio-Video Tech (New Program)
Therapeutic Services - Allied Health	Agriculture (2 pathways)
Carpentry	ROTC (uniform required to wear)

Work-Based Learning (WBL)

- ▶ Work release program available to juniors and seniors only. Priority is given to seniors.
- ▶ Students must be employed and work a minimum of 16 hours per week.
- ▶ Students **MUST** complete at least one CTAE pathway to be eligible for WBL.
- ▶ RHS is limited to 88 participants in WBL.

Humanities Courses

Art	German
Band	Spanish
Chorus	French
Musical Theater	

***2 semesters of the same foreign language are required for college but not graduation**

***1 fine arts credit recommended but not required**

Physical Education

- ▶ Health and Personal Fitness - 1 credit required by Georgia for graduation
- ▶ Weight Training - physically rigorous course, recommended for student athletes
- ▶ Team Sports

*Only one PE course per semester.

Coaches' Notes on Weight Training

- ▶ Several head coaches (baseball, football) expect their student athletes to be in weight training.
- ▶ Graduation requirements supersede weight training - EVERY TIME

To Play College Sports

- ▶ Must go through NCAA eligibility or NAIA eligibility depending on college level.
- ▶ There are criteria including required courses, minimum GPA, and minimum ACT/SAT score to play college sports.
- ▶ <http://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/play-division-i-sports>
- ▶ <https://www.playnaia.org/page/faqs.php>

How do I get involved?

- ▶ **Athletics**
- ▶ **FFA (Future Farmers of America)**
- ▶ **FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)**
- ▶ **SkillsUSA (Skilled workforce competition)**
- ▶ **FCCLA (Family Career/Community Leaders of America)**
- ▶ **JROTC (Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps)**
- ▶ **HOSA (Future Health Professionals)**
- ▶ **Key Club**
- ▶ **Student Council**
- ▶ **AND Many More**

Registration for 2019-2020 Courses

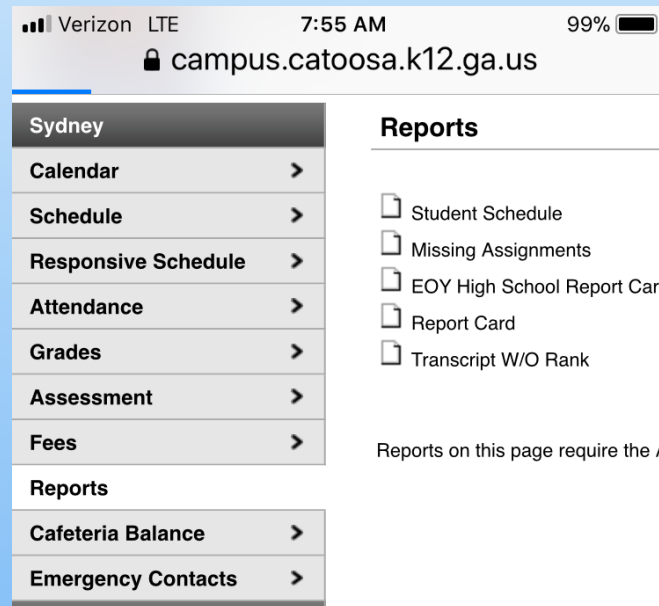
- ▶ Online registration Feb. 20th - March 4th
- ▶ Student presentations Feb. 20th and 21st
- ▶ Step 1 - login into student/parent portal
- ▶ Step 2 - “Course registration 19-20”
- ▶ Step 3 request courses using the “course search”
Choose only 8 courses
 - ▶ Math has been entered based on teacher recommendation and test data for 9th and 10th grade
- ▶ When complete, the screen reads “16 out of 16 Requested Units”

Registration for 2019-2020 Courses

- ▶ When complete, the screen reads “16 out of 16 Requested Units”.
- ▶ When a course reaches its maximum number of requests, students will not be able to register for the course.
- ▶ Please do not select alternate classes, they will be removed during the review process.
- ▶ RHS Administration reserves the right to make changes to course requests as necessary to meet graduation requirements.
- ▶ RHS administration will remove courses from student requests that are not on their registration form.

High School Transcripts

- ▶ To help register for the correct classes, refer to your transcript.
- ▶ Transcripts are found in parent portal under the “Reports” Tab



RHS Website & Google

- ▶ <http://www.rhs.catoosa.k12.ga.us/>
- ▶ Google Classroom (invite code u8xw7pd)
 - ▶ Parent Night 2/21/19 power point
 - ▶ Grade level registration forms with instructions for online registration
 - ▶ Course descriptions
 - ▶ DE information
 - ▶ Much more....

RHS Google Calendar

- ▶ All school events are posted on the RHS Google Calendar
- ▶ <https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=Y2F0b29zYS5rMTluZ2EudXNfN282MXE3Nzk5cTcxY2ZiMXMydjhlhc3ZhcTRAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXIuZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ>

Ringgold High Staff

- ▶ Principal: JR Jones
- ▶ Assistant Principals:
 - ▶ Lisa Logan - scheduling and registration
 - ▶ Mark Pierce - CTAE and WBL programs
- ▶ Counselors:
 - ▶ Joel Svoboda - Alphabet A - F
 - ▶ Lisa Thomas - Alphabet G - M
 - ▶ Sharon Brown - Alphabet N - Z

Important Dates

- ▶ Feb. 21st - Mar. 4th - On-line registration
- ▶ Feb. 28th - GNTC's Accuplacer at RHS
- ▶ Mar. 29th - DE at RHS course requests due

(Required by 3/29 to determine if courses will be offered at RHS in 2019/2020)

- ▶ May 1st - GNTC DE application/registration deadline
- ▶ May 23rd - Last day to make schedule change requests
- ▶ July 1st - Dalton application /registration deadline

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