

9th Grade IGP Information



Welcome to 9th grade IGP Meetings!

Now...

- Info Session
- IGP with counselors
- Submit selection sheets

Later...

- Course Verifications (Late March)
- Final Changes Taken (Late March)
- Schedules Distributed
(Orientation/Summer)

2016-17 Timeline

Jan 27th-Feb 2nd IGP Meetings with Counselors

March 23rd: Verification sheets will be given during Advisory.

March 30th: Turn in changes to verification sheet to counselor if needed.

****Please note that this is the LAST opportunity to make preference changes. Only errors/misplacements will be amended after this deadline.****

Early August 2016: Schedules Distributed at Orientation

Promotion Requirements

- To be classified as a 10th grader, students must have the following credits:

1 English Credit

1 Math Credit

2 Additional Credits

- * If students do not have these credits by the first day of the next school year, they are classified as a 9th grader again for the entire 2016-17 school year.

RHHS Graduation Requirements

4 English Credits

4 Math Credits

3 Science Credits

1 American Gov/Econ Credit

1 U.S. History Credit

1 Other Social Studies Credit

1 Computer Literacy Credit (ex. IBA, Digital Multimedia, etc.)

1 PE or ROTC Credit

1 Foreign Lang **or** CATE Credit

.5 Health Credit

6.5 Other Elective Credits

*ALL students must take English and Math courses every year.

4 year College Requirements

- In addition to RHHS graduation requirements....
 - **ALL** Math and Science credits must be College Prep level **not** Tech or Applied (ex. Math Tech 3, etc. will **not** be accepted by a 4 year college).
 - Science credits must include **3 lab** Sciences.
 - 2 to 3 credits of the same Foreign Language.
 - 1 Fine Arts credit.
- * If you have questions, please ask your counselor. It's important that you not only complete HS requirements but also the requirements needed for your plans after HS.

Additional Requirements

GOLD SEAL DIPLOMA

- Complete at least 28 credits in grades 9-12, including 16 in the core academic areas (English, math, science, social studies) with no grade lower than a C OR a cumulative GPA of 4.2.

- Earn 4 credits within your Major.

*Must earn Gold Seal to be an Honor Graduate

Additional Requirements

■ Honor Graduate Recognition at Graduation:

With Honors—At least a 4.2 cumulative GPA but less than 4.5; Gold Seal

With Highest Honors—At least a 4.5 cumulative GPA or higher; Gold Seal

Honors Track Options

- AP/IB/Dual Credit (Info meeting Feb 1st, 6:30pm)
- Research options in the next year so you will be prepared to choose the best path for you during 10th grade IGP meetings.
- IB- Ms. Sanford
- AP- Mr. Knight
- Please pick up a handout with more information on AP/IB.

Things to Think About...



- Graduation Requirements
- Plans beyond high school
- Course levels (4 yr CP, 2 yr Tech, Honors, IB, AP, dual credit)
- Prerequisites-**important!**
 - *Will not be able to get a course lacking the prerequisite. Prerequisites are listed in the course catalog that can be accessed through the Guidance website.

How is my child being prepared to think about options?

- Career Research curriculum taught in grades 9th-12th via ALL English courses.
- Students do career exploration/research, learn about majors, education requirements and avenues.
- Community members/professionals hosted on campus to share about careers 1-2 times per month.
- All students provided with course selection information via Advisory periods on 12/16/15 and 1/13/16.

Important Information

- Verifications distributed March 23rd are the LAST chance for students to change course requests.
- Course selections **CANNOT** be changed after **March 30th!**
- If students do not turn in a course selection sheet, then counselors will pick classes based on courses planned during IGP and slots remaining in courses.

Attendance

- Students will not receive credit for classes with more than 6 absences, unless time is made up in tutoring or make-up school.
- Students are to bring documentation for any absence from school within 3 days after returning to school.
- Documentation does not erase absences but may qualify the student for competency-based credit for the course, vs. making up all time owed.

Competency-Based Credit

- All absences must be documented.
- Student must earn a final grade of 77% or higher.
- Student must score 70% or higher on the course's final exam.
- ❖ Contact Ms. Brumfield for all attendance related questions/issues. 803-981-1398 or mbrumfield@rhmail.org

4 Year College Entrance Testing

- PSAT-ALL 10th graders encouraged to take PSAT in October yearly (currently free for 10th graders) AND again in 11th grade (cost approx. \$17). Students MUST sign up for this.
- ACT
- SAT

SC State Scholarships

- There is money available for SC residents to earn for going to an SC college!
- Current minimum high school GPA to qualify for these awards is 3.0.
- Higher levels of scholarships may require 3.5 and additional test scores and class ranking.
- See handout for details.

More to Think About...

- Select courses and alternates students actually WANT to take
- Student and parent signatures are REQUIRED on the selection card!
- Ask questions during IGP meeting. That is why we are here!