

Class of 2022

Dual Credit Options Available for 11th and 12th Grade



What is Dual Credit?

- Dual credit is a class which has the potential to earn high school and college credit.
- Classes can be taken at the high school, skill center or at a college.
- Some courses (Career and Technical Education [CTE] Dual Credit, College in the High School and Running Start) allow students to earn college credit through completing the course.
- Other courses, such as Advanced Placement (AP), give students the potential to earn college credit through passing a standard exam.

Dual Credit classes at RHS include:

- Anatomy & Physiology
 - Architecture & Construction Foundations
 - American Sign Language 1-3
 - Biotechnology
 - Business and Marketing Foundations
 - Business and Personal Law
 - Child Development 1 and 2
 - Culinary Arts
 - Digital Design
 - Engineering and Computer Science
 - Family Health
 - Forensic Science A and B
 - Marketing: Sports and Entertainment
 - MS Office Specialist Cert
 - Personal Finance
 - Photography 1 and 2
 - Teaching Academy
 - Technical Theater
 - Video Production 1 and 2
 - Yearbook
- ... And all AP designated classes!

What is Advanced Placement?

Advanced Placement (AP) is a nationwide program that is designed to prepare secondary students for higher education. AP classes provide rigorous, college-level curriculum in various subjects and the opportunity to earn college credits or advanced college standing.

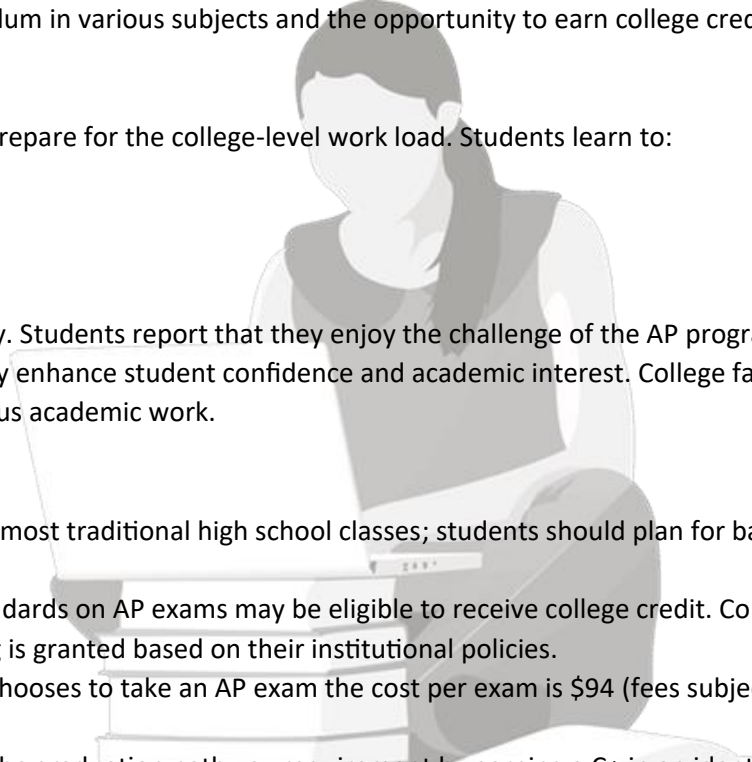
Taking AP classes in high school helps students prepare for the college-level work load. Students learn to:

- Develop effective study habits
- Improve writing skills
- Sharpen critical thinking skills

AP helps students grow and mature academically. Students report that they enjoy the challenge of the AP program. High school faculty report that AP courses greatly enhance student confidence and academic interest. College faculty find that AP students are well prepared for serious academic work.

Things to consider:

- AP courses have a higher workload than most traditional high school classes; students should plan for balancing their schedule accordingly.
- Students who meet all performance standards on AP exams may be eligible to receive college credit. Colleges determine if credit or advanced standing is granted based on their institutional policies.
- Although it is not required, if a student chooses to take an AP exam the cost per exam is \$94 (fees subject to change).
- Students have the opportunity to meet the graduation pathway requirement by earning a C+ in an identified AP course or scoring 3 or higher on the AP exam.



Running Start

Running Start is a Washington State program that allows high school students to earn credits toward both high school and college at a local community college. Students must be juniors or seniors, and must meet all entrance requirements (placement test or alternative) as outlined by the college.

- Running Start students are still Redmond High School students.
- Students can choose to take a full-time or part-time course load at Running Start.
- Running Start students may still participate in activities and sports at the high school.
- Running Start students enroll in community college classes and are treated like any other community college student.
- Students and their families do not pay tuition, but they do pay college fees and buy their own books, as well as provide their own transportation.

Things to consider:

- Colleges operate on the quarter system, consisting of fall, winter, and spring quarter.
- A typical 5 credit college class, which is about 11 weeks long, is equivalent a yearlong (1.0 credit) class at the high school.
- Full time Running Start students can earn 45 college credits tuition free per year.
- Classes taken through Running Start are part of your permanent college transcript as well as your high school transcript.
- Students must check in quarterly with their RHS counselor.

Want to learn more about enrolling in Running Start?

Attend the Running Start Info Session on February 26th at 12:30 in the PAC!

More info about steps to enroll can be found on the RHS website: <https://rhs.lwsd.org/counseling/running-start>

WANIC

WANIC (Washington Network for Innovative Careers) Skill Center offers high quality tuition-free technical and professional training for high school juniors and seniors. These yearlong, advanced-level Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs are based on rigorous academic and industry standards and prepare students for career and college readiness. WANIC programs offer dual credit opportunities (both high school and college credit) and/or lead to industry certifications. Programs are designed in three-period blocks allowing extended time to not only learn the theory of a subject, but to also get authentic hands-on lab experience. All classes earn CTE high school credits and may offer other course equivalencies towards high school graduation requirements. These classes are off-site and students must provide their own transportation.

- Classes include: Auto Tech, Culinary Arts, Dental Careers, Fire & EMS, Digipen classes, Nursing, Medical Careers, Sports Medicine & many more!
- Questions? Stop by the College and Career Center!
- Go to WANIC.ORG to register online. Classes fill up quickly, so please register early.

IMPORTANT!

Students still need to submit a full 7 period schedule in Skyward during course registration **even if** you plan to take WANIC or Running Start courses next year!

Once you are accepted into one of these programs, you will work with your counselor to update your RHS course requests.

High School and Beyond Plan: All sophomores are required to meet with their counselor to complete their sophomore HSBP requirement. Schedule this meeting here: <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/RHSCounseling@lwsd.org/bookings/>