

Class of 2021

Planning for Life After High School



Who is my counselor?

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Class of 2021 Graduation

Requirements:

Complete a graduation pathway

EX: Pass state testing in

SBA ELA, SBA Math

Complete High School & Beyond Plan

Yearly grade specific activities in Xello.

Complete credits: 24 total

4.0-English, 3.0-Math, 3.0-Social

Studies (+WA State History Req. Met),

3.0-Science, 1.0-CTE,

0.5-Health, 1.5-PE, 2.0-Fine Arts, 2.0-

World Language, 4.0-Elective

*Planning on a 4-year university after high school?

In addition to grad requirements student may need...

Science:

Chemistry and/or Physics

Math:

Senior year math-based quantitative course*

Check individual university admission's websites for their specific requirements!

More specific information about graduation requirements can be found on page 6-10 in the Redmond High School 2020-2021 course catalog. Pages 6, A7, & A8 have more information about college entrance requirements.

Need an Official High School Transcript?

Fill out the [Transcript Request Form](#) in the RHS Counseling Center and submit to Ms. Palm *OR* send your request to transcripts-rhs@lwsd.org. Your transcript(s) will be ready within 24 hours. There is a one-time fee of \$10.

What is Xello?

In addition to High School & Beyond Plan activities, Xello provides resources for students to explore careers and post high school options, search for colleges, and find scholarships.

To access Xello, go to: [PSL/Apps/Xello](#)

Where Should My Student Apply?

If a student is applying to a 4-year university, we recommend applying to 1-2 schools in each of the following categories:

Safety = your academic credentials fall WELL above the average range for freshman applying. Still, there are no guarantees.

Match = your credentials are at or exceed the average range for freshman applying. It's a good, competitive match for you.

Dream School Reach = your credentials fall short of the average range for freshman applying. It's a long shot you will get in...

CHECK IT OUT!

The RHS College & Career Center provides many resources to help students navigate their post high school options. Resources cover a wide range of services from career exploration to college planning, scholarships, employment opportunities, volunteer opportunities, military visits and much more! Go visit Ms. Cothran and Ms. Ferry in the Career Center or check their PowerSchool Learning page!

How Do I Access Financial Aid?

- Fill out the free FAFSA or WAFSA (<https://fafsa.gov/>) (<http://www.readysetgrad.org/wasfa>)
- Look for scholarships
 - Visit the RHS College & Career Center's PowerSchool Learning page
 - Washboard.org
 - Scholarships.com
 - Bigfuture.collegeboard.org
 - Fastweb.com
- Check individual colleges for specific financial aid deadlines, scholarship/grant opportunities
- Learn more about Federal Student Aid here: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>

Does Your Student Need a Letter of Recommendation?

Students need to complete the Counselor Recommendation Packet and submit to their counselor **2-3 weeks** prior to the deadline. (Available online and in the Counseling Center.)

Potential Senior Year Financial Obligations

- College entrance exam (SAT/ACT) fees
- College application fees
- Transcript fee
- High school fees & fines
- Senior photos
- Cap & gown orders (grad announcements, etc.)
- Yearbook
- Prom
- Grad Night Celebration

Please contact your student's counselor for information about RHS Help if finances are a concern.

Senior Year Timeline

- **General dates and milestones to keep in mind... stay tuned for more specific details.**

September

- Financial Aid Night and College Applications 101 – Sept. 9th
- Students are responsible for managing the application process to post-secondary programs. Admission into collegiate and vocational programs is often competitive and depends upon timely planning. Please keep these deadlines in mind.
- College entrance exams (SAT/ACT) may be taken in early fall
- College visits in the RHS College and Career Center
- Complete High School and Beyond Plan in Xello

October

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available – Oct 1st
- Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) available – Oct 1st
- College visits in the RHS College and Career Center
- Senior Scholarship Data Form submission deadline 10/31

November

- National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) Fair
 - WA State Convention Center, Seattle-Oct.30th -31st
- RHS College Fair – Nov. 4th
- Cap & gown orders (grad announcements, etc.)
- College visits in the RHS College and Career Center

December

- Senior photos submitted to yearbook

January

- Yearbook orders due (no sales at end of year)
- 1st semester finals

February

- Mid year report & transcript may be requested for college applications

April

- Cap & gown distribution

May

- College admission decision deadline – typically beginning of May
- AP testing
- Deadline for out of district transcripts for any course(s) fulfilling graduation requirements

June

- Prom
- Senior finals
- Complete Senior “Check Out Sheet”
- Baccalaureate
- Graduation
- Grad Night Celebration