

Class of 2019

Planning for Life After High School



Who is my counselor?

A-CHAS: Kimberly Herring
MC-RAG: Ellen Zambrowsky-Huls

CHAT-FRI: Lindsey Hanson
RAI-STO: Justine Chun

FRO-JI: Nikole Lalas
STR-Z Alisa Zemke

JO-MA: Jim Allen
Katie Bunyard

Class of 2019 Graduation

Requirements:

State Testing:

SBA ELA
SBA Math

High School & Beyond Plan

Annual grade specific activities in Career Cruising.

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, 9, & A1 in the RHS Course Catalog 2018-2019 School Year. See pages 6, A7, & A8 for college entrance requirements.

Need an Official High School Transcript?

Fill out the Transcript Request Form in the RHS Counseling Center and submit to our counseling secretary. Your transcript(s) will be ready within 24 hours. There is a one-time fee of \$10.

What is Career Cruising?

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

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. 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 Mrs. 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 Career Center/ Career Center PLearning page
 - Career Cruising
 - 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?

Please complete the Counselor Recommendation Packet and submit to counselor **2-3 weeks** prior to the deadline. Available online and in the Counseling Center. The same expectations apply for teacher letters of recommendation. Teacher Recommendation Packet can be found on RHS Counseling webpage.

Potential Senior Year Financial Obligations

- College entrance exam (SAT/ACT) fees
- College application fees
- 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

- 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 be mindful of the various college deadlines!
- 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 Career Cruising (9/27)

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 College and Career Center

November

- National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) Fair (WA State Convention Center, Seattle) – Nov 2nd & 3rd
- RHS College Fair – Nov 7th: 4 -7 pm
- Cap & gown orders (grad announcements, etc.)
- College visits in the 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 window
- 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