



RHS School Counseling Department

Senior Smoke Signals

March 2020 Edition

2019-20 School Dates

For a more comprehensive list of events, please visit our Activity Calendar link located on our School Counseling web page!

March 20	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
March 23	Inclement Weather Make-up Day 3
March 2	Make-up Day 1 IS A SCHOOL DAY!
March 27	3 rd Qtr. Report Card
March 29	Awards Program
April 1	Senior Supplies delivered
April 10	Inclement Weather Make-up Day 2
April 13-17	Spring Break
April 25	Prom – Younts Center @ Furman
May 4	AP Government (AM)
	AP Physics C (PM)
May 5	AP Calculus (AM)
	AP Human Geography (PM)
May 6	AP English Literature (AM)
	AP European History (PM)
May 7	AP Chemistry (AM)
	AP Physics 1 (PM)
May 8	AP US History (AM)
	AP Computer Science (PM)
	AP Art History (PM)
	AP Art Studio Portfolios Due
May 11	AP Biology (AM)
	AP Environmental Science (PM)
May 12	AP Spanish (AM)
May 13	AP English Language (AM)
May 14	AP World History (AM)
May 15	AP Computer Science Principles (AM)
	AP Statistics (PM)
May 18	Senior Breakfast / Yearbook Day
May 19-22	Senior Exams
May 25	Memorial Day Holiday
May 27	Graduation Rehearsal @ RHS 9:30 AM
June 1	Graduation Rehearsal @ Bon Secours Wellness Arena – 7:30 AM
June 2	Graduation 9 AM @ Bon Secours Wellness Arena

Armed Forces Visits at RHS

Visit will be each month on the following days:

1 st Tuesday	SC National Guard
1 st & 3 rd Wednesday	Navy
2 nd & 4 th Tuesday	Army
2 nd & 4 th Thursday	Marines

RHS SCHOOL COUNSELORS

A, B	Mrs. Rogers
C, F, W, X	Mrs. Blevins
D, E, G, I, T, Z	Mr. Sumerel
J, K, Y	Mrs. Derrick
M, P, U, V	Ms. Peasley
O, Q, R, S	Ms. Hintalla

Senior Exams

May 19	4 th & 7 th Period
May 20	3 RD & 6 TH Period
May 21	2 nd & 5 th Period
May 22	1 st Period & Make-up Exams

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Indicates a New Scholarship Posting*

SOUTH CAROLINA HOPE SCHOLARSHIP This is a state-awarded scholarship valued at \$2,800 for the first year only. Students that have a final minimum 3.0 GPA but do not qualify for the LIFE are eligible to receive this scholarship. Students who receive the SC HOPE and earn a 3.0 at the end of the first year of college may receive the LIFE Scholarship for the second year of college. **No application is necessary for this scholarship. Eligibility is based on your final transcript.**

◆ **SOUTH CAROLINA LIFE SCHOLARSHIP** This is a state-awarded scholarship valued at \$5000 per year. Students must meet two of the three requirements (1) your final, cumulative grade point average must be a minimum 3.0; (2) minimum 1100 SAT (combined critical reading and math sections) or 24 ACT; or (3) rank in the top 30% of your class at graduation. For a two year college students must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA (the test score and class rank requirements are waived.) **No application is necessary for this scholarship. Eligibility is based on your final transcript.**

◆ **SOUTH CAROLINA PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP** This is a state-awarded scholarship valued at \$6700 per year. Students may be eligible to apply if they meet the following three criteria: 1200 SAT/27 ACT, 3.5 GPA, top 6% of the class at the end of the sophomore, junior, or senior year; or meet the following two criteria 1400 SAT/32 ACT and 4.0 GPA at end of the junior or senior year. Students that meet the criteria will be notified by their Counselor to complete an application.

SOUTH CAROLINA LOTTERY TUITION ASSISTANCE This state awarded money varies each year dependent on the South Carolina Lottery Revenue. Students must be enrolled in at least six credit hours a semester and advancing toward a degree at one of the state's two-year institutions. Students must complete the FAFSA as soon after January 1, 2015 as possible. Awards are handled by the college financial aid office.

South Carolina Tuition Grant NO EFFORT Scholarship \$1,000 given away monthly. Seniors and parents may enter once a month. Go to scstudentloan.or/noeffort to register.

◆ *LIFE and Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Recipients at the college sophomore level for students pursuing program majors in the following areas: science, math, computer science or informational technology, engineering, science education, math education and healthcare and related disciplines including medicine and dentistry. Incoming freshman must take fourteen credit hours in math and/or science during their freshman year. More information about these state scholarships is available online at www.che.sc.gov*

***2020 SIRRINE SCHOLARSHIP** Completed application, complete the FAFSA and provide copy of Student Aid Report (SAR). Application available at <https://sirriner.greenville.k12.sc.us/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f> Students will create an 2019-20 account. Student should **NOT** use their GCS student email address as these accounts are deactivated after graduation. Use a personal email address! For additional information, visit <https://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/Parents/main.asp?title=counselor> **Deadline: April 15**

American Legion Post 3 Oratorical Contest \$1000, \$600 & \$400 Give a prepared speech about some aspect of the Constitution of the United States, emphasizing the duties and obligations of a citizen to the US Government. Must be 8-10 minutes in length. The Post 3 contest will be held on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 10 AM at the post in Greenville. The winner will advance to the Quadrant contest in the upstate South Carolina area on Saturday, February 8, 2020 and then hopefully, to the State level on Saturday, February 22, 2020. See your counselor for more information.

B. Davis Scholarship The creators of the "Student Award Search Aid" website are offering a \$1000 scholarship. Application and information is available online at <http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm> **Deadline: May 22**

American College Foundation Visionary Scholarship Program Range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 Completed application, unofficial transcript, 500 word essay. See your counselor for application. **Deadline: May 1**

Light Up A Life Scholarship Be a child of a current employee of Prisma Health or a child or grandchild of an active Prisma Volunteer who has worked at least 100 hours at the time of applying or be an active teen volunteer who has worked a minimum of 50 documented hours within the past 12 months, 3.0 GPA in both math and science, planning on pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree in healthcare, demonstrate financial need, official high school transcript, essay, 2 recommendation letters, completed application. Applications can be found at www.scholarshipprogram.org **Deadline: March 25**

Bobby Chapman Junior Golf Foundation Scholarship \$1,500 May or may not be a golfer, must be a full-time student in the fall working on a baccalaureate degree, completed nomination packet, high school report and two letters of recommendation - one from School Counselor and one from Family friend, Coach, Employer. See your counselor for a copy of the application. **Deadline: March 20**

SC Education Association-Retired Scholarship \$1,000 Must attend a SACS accredited college in SC, pursue a major in education, 3.0 GPA, must demonstrate leadership abilities, must need financial assistance, essay, 2 letters of recommendation, completed application. See your counselor for a copy of application. **Deadline: March 12**

BigSun Scholarship Senior athletes can apply for this \$500 scholarship online at <http://www.bigsunathletics.com> **Deadline: June 19**

AHAM (Asociation Hispnano-Americana de Mujeres) College Scholarship Program Candidates must be of Hispanic origin or descent (only Spanish speaking countries, first or second generation), have legal presence in US, completed application, official transcript, SAT/ACT scores, copy of household federal income tax return (1040EZ) for 2019, typed essay, letter of acceptance from university/college, copy of document showing legal presence in US. See your counselor for a copy of application. **Deadline: March 14**

***Joye Law Firm Scholarship** The Joye Law Firm will offer six \$2,000 scholarships to seniors who plan to attend a four-year college/university. Selection is based on demonstration of strong community-oriented values and creative entry that raises awareness of a selected Personal Injury matter. Application and information is available at www.JoyeLawFirm.com/Scholarship **Deadline: April 1**

***Gap Creek Singers/Greer Music Club** \$500 - \$1,000 Completed application form, artistic resume, letter of recommendation from teacher/advisor, recording of your music talent, professional goals in music. See your counselor for a copy of the application. **Deadline: April 1**

***SCCAWS Scholarship** Visit the CAWS website to download the 2 scholarship applications – www.sccaws.org The link can be found under the “more” tab. Applications are due back to your School Counselor by March 27.

***SC State Fair Scholarship** Will award 50 \$6,000 scholarships to be paid at a rate of \$1,500 per year over 4 years. Application and eligibility requirements can be located at www.scstatefair.org **Deadline: March 15**

***Future of School 2020 Scholarship** Up to \$10,000. High school senior that has completed 5 blended and/or online courses during their last two years and plan to enroll in full time undergraduate program. Visit <https://www.futureof.school/student-scholarship> **Deadline: March 16**

***Nina Neely Scholarship** \$1,000 Completed application form, essay. See your counselor for a copy of the application and more information. **Deadline: March 12**

PROM ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Invitations will be distributed in March
- Class dues MUST be paid in order to receive an invitation!
- Fees may be paid in J116
- ALL Non-Riverside High students MUST be pre-approved and will be checked by RHS Administration.
- ALL attendees MUST be 20 years old or younger.
- Required out of school date form MUST be completed and turned in NO LATER than April 10th!
- The following MUST be presented for ALL out of school dates – Required Form, copy of student ID & driver's license when purchasing ticket.
- All out of class dates & out of school dates will cost \$40.00
- See Mrs. Armstrong in J116 for any questions!



BMW Manufacturing Co.
Scholars Program

The BMW Scholars Program allows students to attend class fulltime at local community colleges while working part-time at BMW. Students are able to attend Spartanburg Community College, Greenville Technical College or Tri-County Technical College and gain experience. BMW will pay student's tuition and books. Participants will become candidates for full-time positions at BMW.

To learn more about the BMW Scholars Program at Greenville Tech visit https://www.gvltec.edu/academics_learning/exp_learning/bmw-scholars.html



SENIOR PARENTS
WE NEED YOU!

It's your last opportunity to volunteer, before our kids fly away.

VOLUNTEER FOR AFTER PROM

Email Allison at 3xchaos@gmail.com

Volunteer spots are open to help in the weeks leading up to the event, and After Prom at Frankies on April 25th.

Consider helping with ticket sales at RHS, food at Frankie's, check-in/check-out, organizing prizes & calling the raffle, and security.

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SOUTH CAROLINA & NORTH CAROLINA

1st Deadline Sun, April 5th

2nd Deadline Sun, April 26th

3rd Deadline Sun, May 10th

1st Delivery Mon, April 20th

2nd Delivery Mon, May 11th

3rd Delivery Wed, May 27th

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CLASS OF 2020

After Prom

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