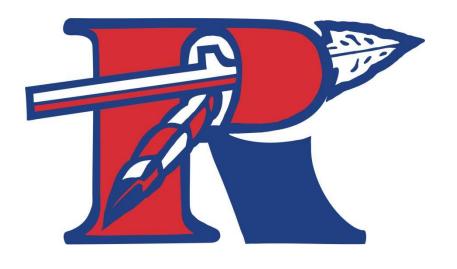
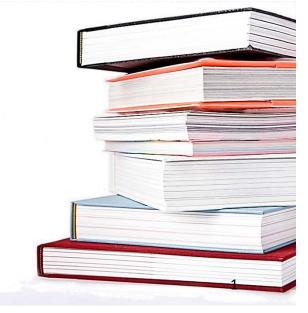


# Riverside High School Parent Meeting

#### 2015-2016 IGP/Academic Plan Information







# **School Counselors**

#### Class of 2016

- William Sumerel (*Current Junior Counselor*)
  - 355-7816 / wsumerel@greenville.k12.sc.us

#### Class of 2017

- Becky Rogers (Current Sophomore Counselor)
  - 355-8192 / rsrogers@greenville.k12.sc.us

#### • Class of 2018

- Lynda Collins (beginning August 2015)
  - 355-7819 / Icollins@greenville.k12.sc.us

#### Freshman Counselor

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#### Director of School Counseling

- Cathy Derrick
- Registrar
  - Kristie Garrett
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### **State Diploma Requirements**

- English 4 units
- Math 4 units
- Science 3 units
- Social Studies 1 unit
- US History 1 unit
- US Government ½ unit
- Economics ½ unit
- Foreign Language or
   Occupational Specialty 1 unit

- PE 1 unit
- Computer Science 1 unit
- Electives 7 units (any thing that is above & beyond what is required. 4<sup>th</sup> Social Studies, 5<sup>th</sup> Math, 4<sup>th</sup> Science, etc.)
- TOTAL OF 24 UNITS



#### SC Public 4 Year College Requirements

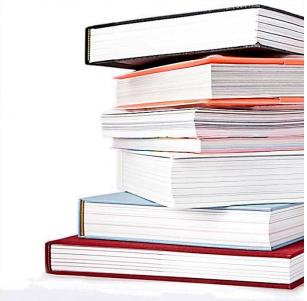
SC Commission on Higher Education <a href="http://www.che.sc.gov">http://www.che.sc.gov</a>

- South Carolina Public Colleges/Universities
  - English 4
  - Math 4 (1 higher than Algebra 2)
  - Lab Science 3 (Physical Science does not count as a lab science)
  - Foreign Language 2 of the same
  - Social Studies 3 (US History, ½ Government,
     ½ Economics, Other Social Studies)
  - Fine Arts 1
  - PE 1
  - Academic Elective 1 (anything additional from English, Math, Science, Social Studies or Foreign Language)



#### The "BIG" Picture for College Admissions

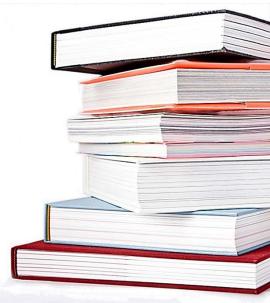
- Grades/GPA/Rank
- Schedule handling course load and extracurricular (Is the student taking rigorous courses to prepare for college?)
- SAT or ACT scores
- Extra-curricular activities
- Volunteer Work





#### **Additional College Requirements**

- Clemson University requires 3 units of the same foreign language.
- College of Charleston requires 3 units of foreign language – can be from 2 different languages
- Students looking at out of state institutions should check with that institution on what it requires.





# **College Athletics (Division I & II)**

- http://web1.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA\_EMS/NCAA\_EMS.html#
- Junior Year
- Must notify Mr. Sumerel in June to submit a copy of the junior transcript
  - It is helpful if student brings his/her NCAA ID number so that we can include it with the transcript.
- Link to NCAA through the Guidance web page "Student Athletes/NCAA" link
- Questions
  - Contact NCAA 877-262-1492 (toll free)
  - Contact Murray Long (Athletic Director) at 355-7870



# College Athletics (Division I & II)

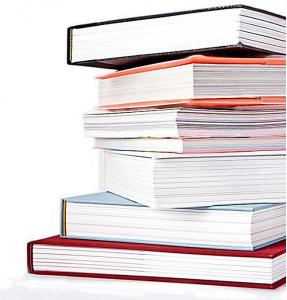
#### Register through the NCAA Eligibility Center





### **College Visits**

- RHS Policy Juniors & Seniors are allowed 3 college visits prior to 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter.
- Arrangements must be made with the Attendance Office 24 hours prior to the visit.
- Procedures are outlined the Student/Parent Handbook.





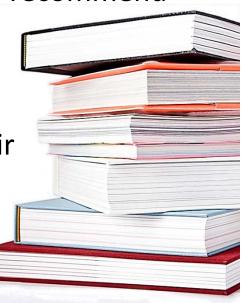
# **PSAT**

- Given to <u>ALL</u> 10<sup>th</sup> graders (Paid by South Carolina)
- 11<sup>th</sup> graders <u>MUST</u> pay to take the test (\$14.83)
  - It is recommended that Juniors take the test
  - Qualifies Juniors for National Merit Scholarships
  - Student will register & pay test fee through Mrs. Rogers in fall or through the Prepayment Form in August.
- Test results & test booklets are given to students in December before the Winter Break.





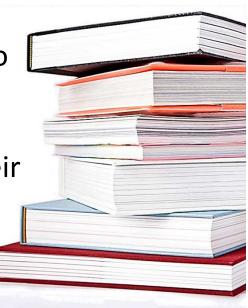
- The SAT is made up of 3 parts:
  - Critical Reading (200-800)
  - Mathematics (200-800)
  - Writing (200-800)
- Register through College Board www.collegeboard.org
- RHS needs to receive student's scores in order to recommend for scholarships (Palmetto Fellows, Local Scholarships etc.) - RHS code – 410951
- Recommendation is to take spring of Junior year.
- Students on Free/Reduced Lunch should see their Counselor for a Fee Wavier.





# ACT

- Tests 5 areas English, Math, Reading, Science & Writing
- Writing section is optional TAKE IT!
- Individual Scores for each section (0-36)
- Composite Score overall score –average of English, Math, Reading & Science (writing not included)
- Register through ACT www.act.org
- RHS needs to receive student's scores in order to recommend for scholarships (Palmetto Fellows, Local Scholarships, etc.) - - RHS code – 410951
- Students on Free/Reduced Lunch should see their Counselor for a Fee Wavier.





### **Upcoming SAT & ACT Dates**

#### <u>SAT Dates</u>

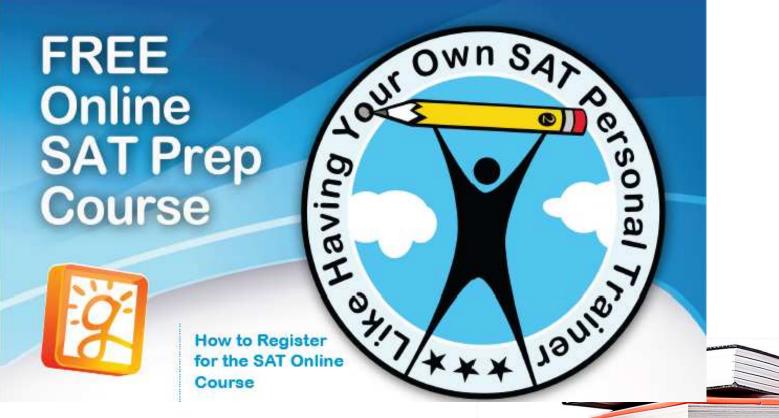
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> (deadline to register is April 6<sup>th</sup>)
- June 8<sup>th</sup> (deadline to register is May 8<sup>th</sup>)

- ACT Dates
  - April 18<sup>th</sup> (deadline to register is March 13<sup>th</sup>)
  - June 13<sup>th</sup> (deadline to register is May 8<sup>th</sup>)

# RHS School Code: 410951

#### A Free Service Provided by Greenville County Schools (\$69.95 Value)





# See a Counselor for your unique Student Access Code



# **Comparison of ACT vs SAT**

- 3 hours, 25 minutes
- 4 sections (English, Math, Reading, Science, Writing (optional))
- Composite score 1-36 based on average of 4 sections
- No penalties for incorrect answers
- \$33 ACT only / \$48 plus Writing

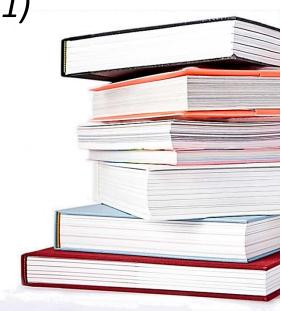
#### <u>SAT</u>

- 3 hours, 45 minutes
- 10 sections (3 critical reading, 3 math, 3 writing (including essay))
- Aggregate score 600-2400 base on 3 scores
- Penalties for wrong answers
- \$49 for all 3 sections



#### **SC Commission on Higher Education**

- http://www.che.sc.gov
- Find information concerning:
  - College Requirement for SC Public Colleges
  - State Scholarships (can only receive 1)
    - Palmetto Fellows
    - Life Scholarship
    - SC Hope Scholarship
    - Lottery Tuition Assistance





#### PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP

- Up to \$6,700
  - Enhancements to the scholarship are also available.
  - Please see the website (<u>http://www.che.sc.gov</u>) for specific details
- Four-year college in SC
- Application completed in December or June of senior year with Counselor
- Renewable





#### PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP

- Early awards December deadline
  - Eligible one of two ways:
    - 1. 1200 on SAT (critical reading & math)/27 on ACT (composite)
      - 3.5 GPA at end of junior year
      - Top 6% of class at end of sophomore or junior year
    - 2. 1400 on SAT (critical reading & math)/32 on ACT (composite)
      - 4.0 GPA at end of junior year

#### Final awards – June deadline

- Eligible one of two ways:
  - 1. 1200 on SAT (critical reading & math)/27 on ACT (composite)
    - 3.5 GPA at end of senior year
    - Top 6% of class at end of sophomore , junior or senior year
  - 2. 1400 on SAT (critical reading & math)/32 on ACT (composite)
    - 4.0 GPA at end of senior year



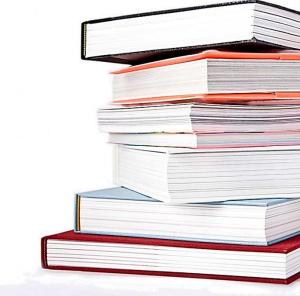
### LIFE SCHOLARSHIP

- Up to \$5,000
  - Enhancements to the scholarship are also available.
  - Please see the website (<u>http://www.che.sc.gov</u>) for specific details
- Must meet two (2) of the following requirements:
  - 1100 on SAT (critical reading & math)/24 on ACT (composite)
  - 3.0 GPA upon graduation
  - Top 30% of graduating class
- Four or two-year college in SC
- No Application to complete The Financial Aid Office will automatically take care of this for the student
- Renewable



### **SC HOPE SCHOLARSHIP**

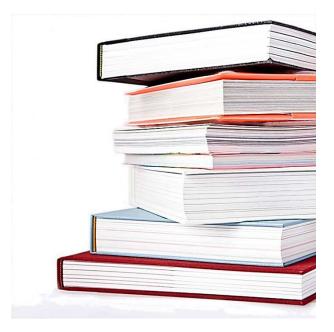
- \$2,650
- 3.0 GPA upon graduation
- Four-year college in SC
- For students who do not qualify for Palmetto or LIFE
- Non-renewable





#### **LOTTERY TUITION ASSISTANCE**

- Two-year technical college
- Amount varies according to available funds
- Must file FAFSA





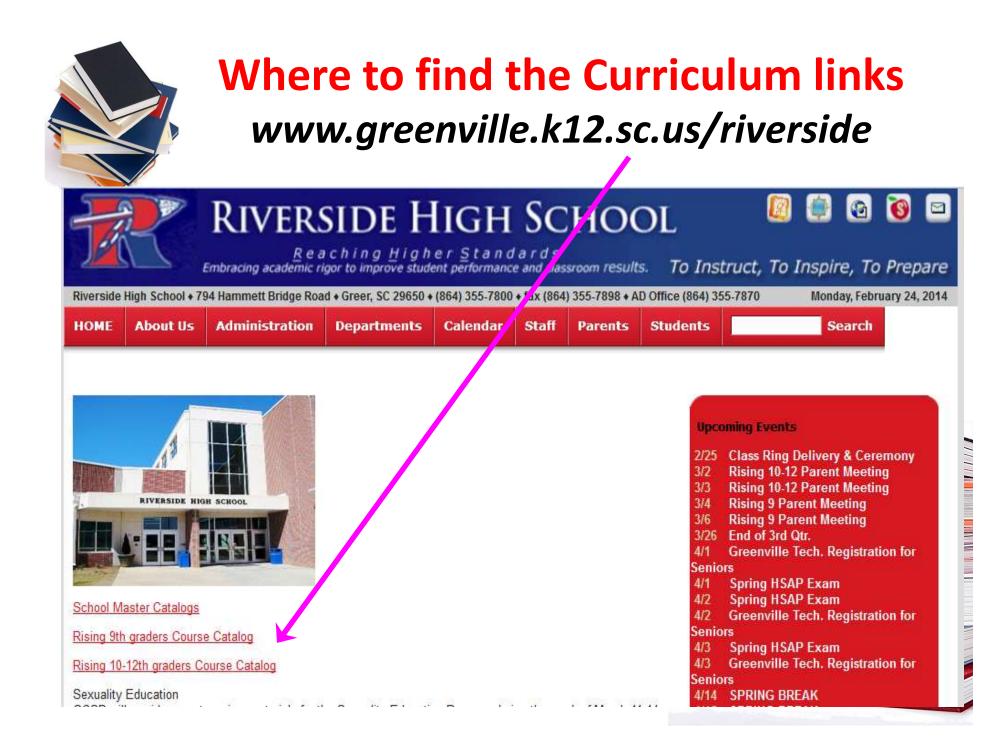
### 2015-2016 Course Registration

- Students will receive their **RED** Folder during their IGP/Academic Plan Conference.
- Links to the 2015-2016 Curriculum Guide can be found on the main page of the RHS web site. (www.greenville.k12.sc.us/riverside)
- Students will receive a copy of their course requests in April 2015. Parents & students should sign one copy and return to the school.
- Students wishing to apply to attend Bonds Career Center should complete their application online. (www.greenville.k12.sc.us/bonds)



#### **Important Dates**

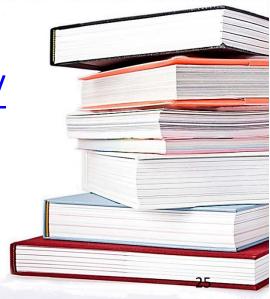
- January 23-30 = Teachers place course recommendations into computer
- February 2 March 17 = Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) & Academic Plan Conference with Underclassmen & Parents.
  - Override Forms & Senior Early Dismissal Forms available in the Counseling Office.
- March 19= Last day for Teachers to sign Overrides
- March 20= Junior & Senior Early Dismissal Forms DUE to Counseling Office & Override Forms DUE to the Counseling Office by 4 PM!
- **April 14** = Students receive copy of course request
- April 16 = Students return 1 copy of course requests





# **Bonds Career Center Application**

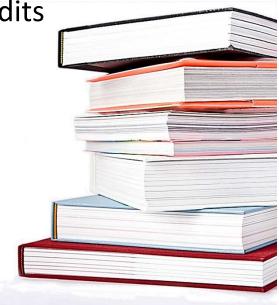
- Information about applying for Bonds Career Center for the 2015-16 school year can be located on the RHS School Counseling web page.
- Information can also be located at <u>http://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/bonds/</u>





# What is in the **RED** Folder?

- Information Sheet SC State Diploma requirements, what SC Colleges are looking for on the transcript, important dates for registration.
- <u>Copy of student's transcript</u> This copy reflects through summer 2014, an updated transcript will be distributed through Advisor/Advisee in February 2015
- <u>Graduation Progress Sheet</u> outlines credits towards the diploma.
- Four-Year Plan Freshmen only
- Student Parent Portal Letter









#### **Override Procedures**

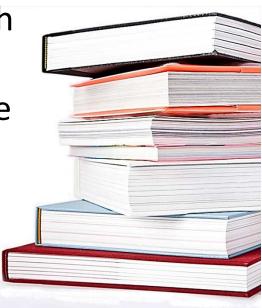
Override Form is picked up from the Counseling office. A separate form is required for each course.

- The legal guardian and student's current teacher <u>MUST</u> discuss the teacher's recommendation in person, on the phone, or by email. (All email addresses and classroom phone numbers for the RHS teachers are posted on the faculty page of the RHS website.)
- The student takes the Override Form to the teacher (by March 19) for his/her signature. The teacher's signature verifies that a discussion has occurred with the legal guardian. It does not verify that the teacher agrees with the family's decision to override the recommended course.
- The <u>legal guardian</u> returns the Override Form to the Counseling office and <u>signs the form in the presence of</u> <u>the Counseling staff</u> no later than 4PM on Friday, March 20, 2015! Forms delivered by a student will <u>NOT</u> be accepted.



### **Early Dismissal for Seniors**

- Required for less than 7 class periods
- Must be classified as a senior
- Must be enrolled in courses needed for SC Diploma
- Must be scheduled for minimum of 4 class periods
- Must complete Early Dismissal Form with parent & student signature
- Form is available in the Counseling Office
- DUE to Mr. Sumerel by 4 PM on Friday, March 20.





### **Early Dismissal for Juniors**

- Must be <u>ENROLLED</u> in a Greenville Tech. class <u>both</u> <u>semesters</u>!
- Required for less than 7 class periods
- Must be classified as a junior
- Must be enrolled in courses needed for SC Diploma
- Must be scheduled for minimum of 4 class periods
- Must complete Early Dismissal Form with parent & student signature
- Form is available in the Counseling Office
- DUE to Mrs. Rogers by 4 PM on Friday, March 20.



### **Virtual School Enrollment**

- Courses are not self-paced but rather adhere to a strict schedule in completing sequential modules.
- All classes have a specified start and end date.
- Required proctored final exam RHS will schedule this.
- Online classes are <u>very rigorous</u> and will often require more of your time than a regular class at your physical school.
- Many students find the rigors and schedules of virtual classes to be very difficult.



### **Virtual School Enrollment**

- It is recommended that if students have the room in their schedule to take courses at RHS, they should!
- Registering for a Virtual School course does <u>NOT</u> guarantee enrollment in the VS course!
- Courses fill up quickly and have been cancelled after being publicized.
- Students may begin seeing their Counselor to sign up for a Summer VS course on May 5.



### **Virtual School Enrollment**

- Students <u>MUST</u> log into the course each day and complete assignments.
- Students who fail to log in on a regular basis will be dropped from the course and the student will receive a WF for the course
- A WF is reflected on the transcript and a grade of 61 is calculated into the student's GPA.

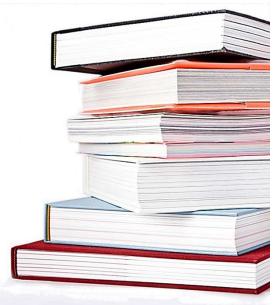


#### **Virtual School & Student Athletes**

 The NCAA has very strict guidelines regarding credit for courses taken online, such as courses offered by the Greenville County Virtual School. Many online courses <u>ARE NOT APPROVED</u> by the NCAA. Before enrolling in any online class be sure to consult with your high school's Athletic Director and your School Counselor to determine if the online course that you are considering is approved for credit by the NCAA.



- College Preparation Information
- Counseling Activity Calendar (Monthly calendar of events)
- Announcements
- Counseling On-Demand
- Junior Information
- Sophomore Information
- Senior Information
   (Senior Smoke Signals monthly Newsletter)





# Where do you find copies of presentations and links to other information?

#### **RHS School Counseling Department**

You can NOW find us on Facebook & Twitter!! Like us on Facebook at RHS Warrior Guidance Find us on Twitter at @RHSWarriorGuide



#### **Counseling Links**

About Us Bus Transportation Information College Preparation District Calendar Enrollment Procedures and Forms Freshman Information Transition to High School Counseling Activity Calend Counseling On-Demand HSAP (Exit Exam) Junior Information Parent/Teacher Conference Request Procedures Senior Information College Application College Selection Criteria College Visits Financial Aid Information Smoke Signals Senioritis The Academic Common Market Writing the College Essay Sophomore Information

The Riverside High school Guidance & Counseling Department is available to asside students and parents with various concerns. If you need to contaic the us, you may do so by calling {864} 355-7804 or by fax at {8642,55-7841. Before calling, please use the links to the left to search for desired information. Thank you for visiting our web site.

#### Jur or Smoke Signals

ck HERE to view the Junior edition of the Smoke Signals!

#### Registration of NEW Students coming to RHS (2013-2014)

New students coming to RHS for the 2013-2014 School Year may register on March 13, 2013 <u>by appointment only</u> from 2 PM until 5 PM. Parents are urged to stop by the Main Office to pick up an appointment card and the required GCS registration forms. Required documentation needed to register at a Greenville County School can be located <u>here</u>.

#### 2013-2014 Registration Time Frame

March 3 = Rising 10-12 Parent Meeting @ 1:30 PM - Auditorium March 4 = Rising 10-12 Parent Meeting @ 6:30 PM - Auditorium \*(Parents only need to attend 1 presentation, the same information will be presented at both presentations.)

March 5 & 7 = Rising 9 Parent Meeting @ 6:30 PM - Auditorium \*Meeting for students with current IEP's (Resource) or Itinerant Indirect (Itinerant) @ 5:30 PM - Media Center

\*\*Self-guided tours of our building begin at 5:30 PM - Student Representatives will be stationed around the building to assist with questions and directions.

\*\*\*\*/Decente only need to attend 4 presentation the same information

#### **Counseling HOME**

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#### **Counseling On-Demand**

A copy of this presentation will be posted to this web page under Guidance Presentations

#### **Counseling On-Demand**

Activity Calendar	Parent Portal
Adult Tutor List	RHS School Prote
End of Course Exams	SC Department of Education Resources for Students
Frequently Asked Questions For Your School Counselor	SC whiform Grading Scale
Grade Reporting Dates	Student Tutor List
Graduation Requirements	Student/Parent Handbook
Links	<u>Greenville County Virtual School</u> <u>South Carolina Virtual</u>

#### Guidance Presentations

- Paying for College 2011 (PowerPoint)
- Explaining the PSAT results (SchoolTube Video)
- 2010-2011 NCAA "Your PATH to the Student-Athlete Experience"
- 2011-2012 Registration Parent Meetings
  - Rising 10th & 11th Grade Presentation
  - Rising 12th Grade Presentation

**RHS** Guidance Counselors

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#### **@RHSWARRIORGUIDE**



#### **RHS WARRIOR GUIDANCE**







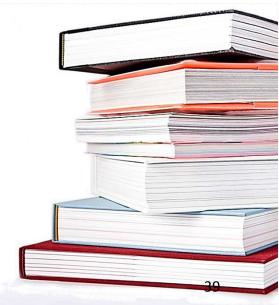
#### **Class of 2016 Text Alerts**

Text @srwarrior to 81010



#### **Fall 2015 Senior Parent Meeting**

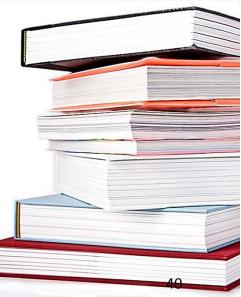
- September 1, 2015 @ 6:30 PM in the Auditorium with Mr. Sumerel
  - Application Guidelines
  - Requesting transcripts
  - Scholarship Opportunities
  - Review of Graduation requirements
  - Important Dates & Deadlines





### Ways We Communicate

- Parent Portal
  - Grades / Attendance / Update demographics / Registration
  - Pick up password with picture id in the Main Office
- School Messenger
  - If you do not receive these messages, please contact the Counseling Office at 355-7804
- Daily Announcements
  - Link located under the "About Us" tab on the main RHS web page.





Thank you for coming!

# **RHS Counselors:**

# Helping our students be BRILLIANT!