# SOUTH POINTE HIGH SCHOOL 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PRE-IGP MEETING

School Counseling Department February 2024

### **MEET OUR TEAM**

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### **IGP MEETING AGENDA**

In your IGP meeting we will discuss:

Grades/Academic Progress & Attendance

Post-Secondary Plans & Next Steps

Course Requests for 2024-2025

Contact your counselor if you/your parents do not receive an invitation letter with your meeting date/time.

## **COURSE SELECTION**

Students and parents meet with their assigned counselor each year to discuss post-secondary plans, career goals, and course selection.

Consider the below items when choosing course requests:

- ✓ Graduation/College Admissions Requirements
- ✓ Promotion Requirements
- ✓ Academic Performance
- ✓ Post-Secondary Plans
- ✓ Career Goals
- ✓ Personal Goals

### These are <u>requests</u>, NOT a schedule.

Please note that the courses you are selecting at this time are just **requests**. Actual student schedules will not be created until summer and are typically released to students in late July/early August.

Courses may not be able to be scheduled if overall requests are low, a teacher is not available to teach the class, or there is a conflict with other courses you have requested.



## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Rising 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students should select 8 units of courses to include an English, math, science, and social studies class and electives.
- School of Choice students must select/enroll in a STEAM Pathway course.
- Students must have prior approval before taking any Virtual SC, dual credit or dual enrollment courses. Only a select list of college dual enrollment courses are approved by Rock Hill Schools to receive dual credit (high school & college credit). Work with your counselor to discuss options and the process for doing so.
- Student schedules are created for the entire school year in the summer prior to the start of the school year. Students should choose their course requests carefully; once schedules are set changes are very limited and based on a strict set of guidelines.
- Counselors may assign classes for students who do not complete the course selection process.

### **ADVANCED STUDIES PROGRAMS**

South Pointe offers **Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and Dual Credit** courses. Review the 2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog (pages 52-58) to learn more about these programs and course options.

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### **CAREER CLUSTERS/MAJORS OF STUDY**

Rock Hill Schools offers a variety of courses aligned to majors of study. Students can choose to focus in on a particular career area by choosing course options within a major. Reference pages 21-45 in the <u>2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog</u>.

#### FRAMEWORK OF CAREER CLUSTERS AND MAJORS

#### **Overview**

The Framework presented here was revised in December 2021.

Key: \*\* Nine grade course | \* Required for major | ^^ Dual Credit | WBL = Work Based Learning

Cluster of Study	Major(s)
Arts and Humanities	Digital Art and Design
	Journalism and Mass Communication
	Visual Arts
	Performing Arts
	Theater Arts
Media Technology	Media Technology/Visual Communication
Education and Training	Teaching and Training
Cross Curricular	Occupation and Employability
Business Management and Administration	Operations Management
Finance	Accounting
	Business Finance
Hospitality and Tourism	Culinary Arts
	Hospitality and Tourism Management
Information Technology	Programming and Software Development
-80	Computer Science
	Game and Interactive Media Design
	Web and Digital Communications
Marketing	Marketing Management
Agriculture, Food, and Natural	Plant and Animal Systems
Resources	-
Architecture and Construction	Architecture/Mechanical Design
	Electricity, HVAC
	Carpentry and Construction Engineering
Transportation, Distribution, and	Power Equipment Technology
Logistics	Automotive Service
	Automotive Collision Repair and Refinishing
	Logistics and Distribution
Science, Technology, Engineering and	Pre-Engineering
Mathematics	Integrated Production Technologies
	Drone Innovation Technologies
Health Science	Health Science
	Health and Wellness
	Biomedical Science
Human Services	Cosmetology
	Family and Consumer Science
Law, Public Safety, Corrections and	Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Security	Military Science
Government and Public Administration	Social Science/Political Science

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### **SC COMPUTER LITERACY REQUIREMENT**

The following courses will meet the graduation computer literacy requirement. Please reference the <u>2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog</u> to verify.

- Discovering Computer Science
- Fundamentals of Computing
- Fundamentals of Web Page Design
- Advanced Web Page Design
- Intro to Computer Programming
- Intermediate Computer Programming
- Foundations of Animation
- Game Design & Development

- Business Data Applications
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Computer Science Principles
- PLTW Computer Science Essentials
- PLTW Computer Science Principles
- PLTW Computer Science Applications
- PLTW Principles of Engineering
- PLTW Cybersecurity Honors

### **STEAM PATHWAYS**

South Pointe offers four STEAM pathways for students to engage in focused coursework. Students may choose to complete all coursework in pathway, but do not have to do so.

**NOTE** - School of Choice students <u>must</u> choose courses in one or more of the STEAM Pathways.

Biomedical Science
Clean Energy
Computer Science
Engineering

Click on the link below for more information on these pathways.

**SPHS STEAM Pathways & Course Descriptions** 

### **COURSE SELECTION REMINDERS**

- Select an English, math, science, and social studies
- US History is 2 semesters (Survey American History & US History)
- PE/ROTC, Health, and Computer are required electives
- 4yr college admission requirements include a fine art and 2-3 units of the same foreign language
- Choose good elective alternates... You may end up with one of those choices!!

Reference the <u>2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog</u> for course descriptions and prerequisites. The 2024-2025 RHS Course Catalog will be shared when available.

### **SAMPLE SCHEDULES**

# Bring your tentative course selections to your IGP meeting.

#### **Course Selection Template**

NOTE – These are just sample schedules. Your course requests may vary based on coursework you have already completed and your post-secondary plans.

Sample A	Sample B	Sample C
English 3	English 3	English 4 AP
Geometry	Algebra 2	PreCalculus Honors
Biology 1 or Physical Science	Chemistry	Lab Science
Survey American History	Survey American History	Survey American History Honors
US History	US History	US History AP
Elective	Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective	Elective

### CANVAS

Monitor Academic Performance (assignment grades and work submission)
Teacher/Guidance/School Communication
General Announcements
Student Email

\*\*Students should be enrolled in their grade level Canvas Page (Class of 2026)\*\*
 Contact your counselor if you need further assistance.
\*\*Parents are strongly encouraged to create a Canvas Observer account\*\*

Parent Observer Canvas Account

## POWERSCHOOL

- Monitor/Check Grades
- Class Attendance
- Cumulative SC Weighted GPA
- eIGPs
- Fees

#### https://rock-hill.powerschool.com/public/home.html

Username – First initial of student's first and last name followed by the student's lunch # (Example = sw14182)

Password – Student's birthdate (Example = 05252007)

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**NOTE** – single digit months may or may not include a leading zero

### ATTENDANCE

#### Attendance in your classes every day is important!!

If you miss too many days in a class, you can fail due to absences (FA). The FA will be recorded as your final grade even though you have a passing average.

- Students are only allotted 6 unexcused absences in a semester/per class (3 in a quarter class).
- Students may only attend Make Up School to recover 4 absences/class (\$20 per session)
- Absences documented with parent or medical notes are <u>not</u> excused absences, but these notes should be submitted to attendance to avoid truancy contact.
  - Contact Mrs. Laura Jennings if you have questions <u>ljenning@rhmail.org</u>

## **PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS**

**9<sup>тн</sup> ТО 10<sup>тн</sup> GRADE** 1 English (Eng 1) 1 Math

2 Other Credits

**10<sup>TH</sup> TO 11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** 2 English (Eng 1 & 2)

2 Math

1 Science

1 Social Studies

4 Other Credits

11<sup>TH</sup> TO 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE 3 English (Eng 1, 2, & 3) 3 Math 2 Science 2 Social Studies 4 Other Credits

### **SC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

English	4 Units
Math	4 Units
Science	3 Units
US History	1 Unit
US Government	1⁄2 Unit
Economics	1/2 Unit
Other Social Studies	1 Unit
PE/JROTC/Band w/ PE	1 Unit
Computer Literacy	1 Unit
World Language or CTE	1 Unit
Health	1 Unit
Electives	6 Units

**Total Required** 

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24 Units

### **HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT**

Once you begin taking high school classes all of your coursework is documented on your high school transcript... Pass or Fail!!

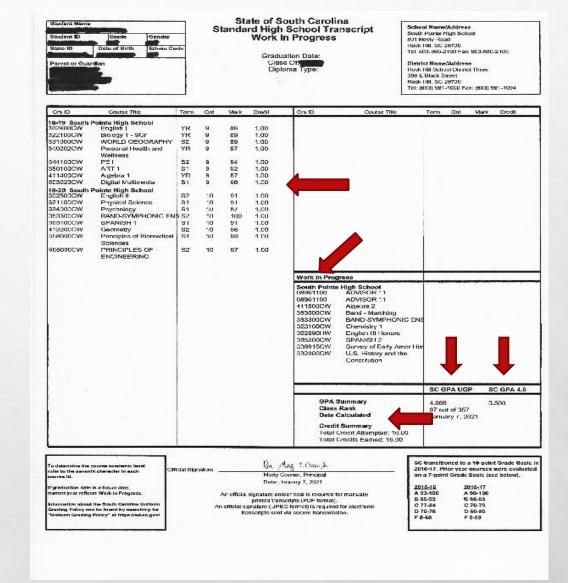
The final grades in your classes impact your cumulative GPA and class rank.

SC UGP GPA – Weighted GPA

SC 4.0 – 4.0 Scale Unweighted GPA

South Pointe uses Parchment to process transcript requests. Students must create an account in order to use this system.

Create a Parchment Account



### ACADEMIC GRADUATION RECOGNITIONS

└ Valedictorian/Salutatorian

Honor Grad/Highest Honor Grad

SC Diploma Seals of Distinction

SC Academic Honors Award

Junior Marshals (Juniors who rank in the top 10% of the class at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester)

\*Reference pages 12-13 in the **<u>2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog</u>**\*

### **<u>CONTENT</u> RECOVERY**

Students who are struggling in the classroom should ask their teachers for additional support. Students may be able to complete content recovery which helps to improve reporting period grades while students are still enrolled in a class.

For more information, students and parents should reach out to the classroom teacher.

## **<u>CREDIT</u> RECOVERY**

Students who fail a class with a final grade of 50-59 in a core class may be able to participate in credit recovery. Participating in credit recovery allows students to recover credit for a failed class by completing assigned units in the Edmentum online curriculum.

- Participation in credit recovery does not remove a failing grade from a student's transcript and does not impact/improve a student's GPA.
- Students must clear any FAs before participating in credit recovery
- Note The South Carolina High School League only allows 2 classes to be recovered per year for eligibility purposes.

Parents and students should discuss the credit recovery option with the student's assigned counselor as needed.

### **HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY**

- Students must pass a specified # of classes each semester and year in order to be eligible for high school athletics (see page 14 in the 2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog).
- Fall/Winter sports eligibility is based on the previous school year's grades and spring sports eligibility is based on fall grades.

*Note – Students may only apply 2 credit recovery and/or summer school classes toward eligibility.* 

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### NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

Do you plan to participate in collegiate sports??

Familiarize yourself with the NCAA Eligibility requirements. High school students must take courses at the appropriate time and meet certain <u>core GPA</u> requirements.

**Initial Eligibility Brochure** 

**Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete** 

NCAA Eligibility Center

### **MILITARY EXPLORATION**

#### Are you interested in the military??

- Military service can be full-time or part-time... You can also consider attending college and military service.
- Begin talking to military recruiters about their branch of the military and entrance requirements.
- Take ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)... This test is offered at South Pointe in the fall each year to all 11<sup>th</sup> graders and 12<sup>th</sup> graders who sign up.
- Use the link below to research the various military branches and to learn more about military service.

#### www.todaysmilitary.com

## **COLLEGE PLANNING**

- Consider your major and career goals
- What type of college do you want to attend?
  - 4-year, 2-year, Technical, Vocational
- College admissions counselors review: rigor of coursework, GPA, SAT/ACT scores, extracurricular activities, community service, etc.
- Research admissions requirements & take college visits
  - 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> graders are allowed to take 2 college visits. These absences will be excused with proper documentation.
- It's important to begin preparing early for college admissions. Click the link below to view tips from the College Board on how to begin your preparation.

College Planning: 9th/10th Grade

### 4YR COLLEGE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

4 Units
4 Units (Algebra 1 (or the equivalent), Algebra 2, Geometry, 4 <sup>th</sup> higher level math)
<b>3 Units</b> Laboratory Science (Physical Science & Integrated Science are not lab sciences)
1 Unit
1/2 Unit
½ Unit
1 Unit (World Geography or World History are strongly recommended)
<b>2 Units</b> (same language; Some schools may require 3 units)
1 Unit
1 Unit
2 Units

(Computer Science is strongly recommended as well as courses in the above listed categories)

**Note** – These are the general requirements for 4-year college entrance in SC schools. Parents and students are encouraged to research the specific admission requirements for schools of interest.

Reference the RHS Course Catalog and the SC Commission on Higher Education website for details on 4-year college entrance requirements.

## **COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTS**

**PSAT** – All 10<sup>th</sup> grade students take PSAT each year in October. This is a great opportunity for students to get practice. **11<sup>th</sup> grade students** can sign up to take the test.

ACT/SAT – We recommend college bound students begin taking ACT/SAT in the junior year. It is recommended that students have taken or be taking Algebra 2. Most colleges will accept either test. Students can take both tests to determine which is a better fit. It is ideal for students to test 2-3 times prior to the senior year.

**Technical School Placement Test** - Students who plan to attend a technical college may choose to take a placement test. Scores are used to determine proper course placement.

*Note – Some technical college programs require SAT/ACT scores for admission.* 

### **COLLEGE SEARCH RESOURCES**

ACT – <u>www.act.org</u> CollegeBoard – <u>www.collegeboard.org</u> College Data – <u>www.collegedata.com</u> College Navigator – <u>www.nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/</u> SC CAN GO – <u>www.sccango.org</u>

## **SC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS**

- Palmetto Fellows Scholarship
- Life Scholarship
- Hope Scholarship
- Lottery Tuition Assistance

More information can be found in the 2023-2024 RHS Course Catalog (pages 49-51) and on the SC Commission on Higher Education's website.

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SC Commission on Higher Education

### **SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES**

Below are some websites to start the scholarship search:

- Going Merry <u>www.goingmerry.com</u>
- Raise Me <u>www.raise.me.com</u>
- FastWeb <u>www.fastweb.com</u>
- Foundation for the Carolinas <u>www.fftc.org/scholarships</u>
- SPHS Scholarship Newsletter <u>https://www.smore.com/bdnfk-scholarship-newsletter</u>

## **HIGH SCHOOL RESUME**

Start developing your high school resume. A high school resume can be used when requesting recommendations as well as a resource when completing college admissions and scholarship applications.

> Start now so you don't forget anything!

Consider including the information below: ✓ Education ✓ Post-Secondary Plans & Career Goals Extracurricular Activities ✓ Community Service ✓ Work Experience ✓ Leadership Experience/Roles Honors/Awards

### **MAKING THE MOST OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL**

Focus on Academics
Get Involved
Stay in the Loop
Consider your Future
Have Fun!!

# 10<sup>th</sup> GRADE JOB SHADOW DAY *Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>*

Students must secure their own shadow site/supervisor.

Details and the permission/verification forms will be posted in the Class of 2026 Canvas Page soon.

### **CONNECT WITH US!**

**Canvas** – Check Canvas regularly for emails and announcements. *(You must be enrolled in your grade level Canvas Page to get the announcements.)* 

Guidance Website - https://www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/domain/1160 Twitter – Follow us @SPHS\_Guidance FaceBook – SPHS Guidance Email or Phone Call

### **QUESTIONS?**

You will have an opportunity to ask questions during your IGP meeting, but feel free to reach out to your assigned counselor as well.

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