

# Warriors Class of 2019!

## Welcome Back RHS Class of 2019!!

Ms. VanArman	A-E
Mr. Shofner	F-L
Ms. Gainer	M-R
Mr. Waymire	S-Z



## Graduation Requirements

**English:** 4 credits

**Math:** 4 credits

**Science:** 3 credits

**Social Studies:** 3 credits

1 World History/Geography

1 U.S. History;

1 Government/Economics (**All students must pass the United States Civics exam through Government or ROTC**)

**P.E. and Wellness:** 1 ½ total credits

1 Wellness;

½ Physical education

**Personal Finance:** ½ credit

**Foreign Language:** 2 credits

**Fine Arts:** 1 credit

**Elective Focus:** 3 credits

**23 total credits are needed to graduate**

**All students must take the ACT to graduate**

### Valedictorian Requirements

4.0 GPA

12 Honors classes or any class higher such as Advanced Placement

Graduate with Honors  
Graduate with Distinction

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Meet ACT Benchmarks:

English 18

Math 22

Reading 22

Science 23

### Graduation with Distinction

Attain a 3.0 GPA Plus one of the following:

\*Participate in at least one Governor's School

\*Participate in one of the state's All State musical organizations

\*Be selected as a National Merit Finalist or Semi Finalist

\*Attain a composite score of 31 or higher on the ACT

\*Attain a score of 3 or higher on at least two Advanced Placement Exams

\*Earn 12 or more semester hours of postsecondary credit that is added to your transcript

**To be considered for Valedictorian, Honors, or Distinction, the above requirements must be completed by the end of 7<sup>th</sup> semester**

## Rutherford County College Night

**6:00PM-8:00PM on  
Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

Create an account and register at: [www.gotocollegefairs.com](http://www.gotocollegefairs.com)

## ACT/SAT

The ACT is now a requirement for graduation in Tennessee for the class of 2018 and beyond. The test typically takes about 4 hours and covers Math, English, Reading, and Science. You can also register for the writing portion since some Universities require the writing score. Most schools require an ACT or SAT score along with your GPA in order to gain admittance. The scores can also serve as placements into core college classes such as math, science, and language. If you are planning to take either the ACT or the SAT you must register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) (ACT) or [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) (SAT).

If you receive Free/Reduced lunch you qualify for up to two ACT fee waivers. Come to guidance for a fee waiver.

RHS High School Code: **431622**

### Prospective Student Athletes

If you are an athlete who would like to participate in NCAA sports you must register online to be eligible to play. The website is:

<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>

We are so close to MTSU! Maybe you would like to attend and become a Blue Raider when you graduate! If so, you can register for a campus tour with **MTSU Campus Tours at** <https://mtsu.askadmissions.net/Portal/EI/Search>

If you have other schools you would like to visit, all seniors can get one day excused to visit another campus. Many universities have weekend tours, but sometimes it's necessary to go on a school day. Contact the admissions office of the college you are considering to schedule a visit. You must bring proof of your visit into the RHS Attendance Office.

It is very important to challenge yourself with rigorous classes that will help prepare you for college and beyond. Scholarship money is awarded not only for GPA and ACT/SAT scores, schools and foundations look at the type of classes you are taking through your senior year!

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## **Tennessee Promise Scholars:**

Tennessee Promise is both a scholarship and mentoring program focused on increasing the number of students that attend college in our state. It provides students a last-dollar scholarship, meaning the scholarship will cover the cost of tuition and mandatory fees not covered by the Pell grant, the HOPE scholarship, or the Tennessee Student Assistance Award. Students may use the scholarship at any of the state's 13 community colleges, 27 colleges of applied technology, or other eligible institution offering an associate degree program.

[www.TNPromise.gov](http://www.TNPromise.gov)

**Two years of tuition-free community or technical college, you can apply fall of your senior year so be ready!**

## **Why is your GPA important?**

**Your GPA is very important since it is one of the key factors in gaining admittance into college. It is also a determining factor in getting scholarships! The GPA you have at the end of your Junior year is the first grade point average the college or university will see when you are applying fall of your senior year.**

**To better understand the GPA calculation you can use this formula:**

**A = 4 points**

**B = 3 points**

**C = 2 points**

**D = 1 point**

**F = 0 points**

**Take the total points you earned and divide it by the number of classes you have taken. If you have taken 7 classes per semester you should get 14 classes per year. By the beginning of your junior year you could have at least 28 classes. Once you have added the points for the grade in each class, you would divide that number by the 28 classes to get your grade point average.**

## **2017 Governor's School**

Tennessee provides 12 summer programs for gifted and talented high school students. These programs provide challenging and intensive learning experiences in :

Arts, Humanities, International Studies, Engineering, Science, Prospective Teachers, Scientific Exploration of Tennessee Heritage, Business and IT Technology Leadership, Agricultural Science, Computational Physics, and Scientific Models and Data Analysis.

Students who wish to apply should visit one of these websites

<http://tn.gov/education/govschools/>

**College fees may apply**