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Introductions

- Principal
 - Dr. Denis
- Assistant Principals
 - Mr. Banyard
 - Dr. Baskett
 - Ms. Blakley
 - Ms. Solomon
- Assistant Admin
 - Mr. Mayes
- Athletic Director
 - Coach Suddeth
- Prevention Intervention Specialist
 - Mr. Thurmon
- RCHS Counselors
 - Ms. Thompson (A – G)
 - Dr. Breakfield (H – O)
 - Ms. Sabree (P – Z)
- RMSST Counselors
 - Ms. Harris
 - Ms. Lindsey
- Graduation Coach
 - Dr. Mathis

RCHS Expectations

- No outside food.
- No food deliveries.
- Students are not allowed to leave campus unless they have an off-campus period.

RCHS Expectations

Tardy Policy - RCHS PARKING PASS

■ A student with an RCHS PARKING PASS will lose their parking privileges for the specified timeframe based on the following number of tardies to school:

- **10 Tardies** | Suspended parking pass for 10 school days
- **20 Tardies** | Suspended parking pass for 45 school days

RCHS Expectations

■ Tardy Policy-TARDY SWEEPS

- **1st Offense/2nd Offense** | Warning
- **3rd Offense/4th Offense** | 1 day of ISS
- **5th Offense/6th Offense** | 1 day of OSS and Tardy Contract/
- **7th Offense Plus** | 2 days of OSS/Loss of Privileges/Chronic Disruptor Contract

RCHS Expectations



- No cell phone use in class unless directed by your teacher.
- Cell phones should be off/silent and put away.

RCHS Expectations

- Parking Privileges
 - Parking is a privilege, not a right.

Senior Pictures

- **Book appointment:** cady.com
- **Session Fee:** \$29
- **Senior Roadshow #1:** September 12
 - RCHS Auditorium
 - 7:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- **Senior Class Picture:** September 21
- **Senior Roadshow #2:** October 10
 - RCHS Auditorium
 - 7:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Don't get left out of the yearbook!
Scan to learn more about your senior portraits with CADY



CADY



Must take picture by October 31 to be included in the yearbook.

Senior Ads

AD SIZE	AD DIMENSIONS	AD CONTENT	AD PRICE
Full Page	8 1/2" wide; 11" tall	10-12 Pictures and 1/2 page of copy	\$315
1/2 Page	8 1/2" wide; 5 1/2" tall	5-6 pictures and about 1/4 page of copy	\$175
1/4 Page	4 1/4" wide; 5 1/2" tall	3-4 pictures and about 1/8 page of copy	\$90
1/8 Page	4 1/4" wide; 2 3/4" tall	1-2 pictures and a couple of sentences of copy	\$50

Lost & Damaged

- Start clearing up items in Destiny, don't wait until May
- Clear all Athletic, Band, & Cafeteria Fines
- Return Library books & Textbooks to the Media Center

12th Grade Testing Reminders

- ALL TESTS COUNTS

- HMH – STAR MATH – STAR READING – GMAS

- Take the test seriously – Do not Christmas tree

- Your data represents YOU and Our School

DO YOUR BEST AND WIN!!!!!!

Graduation Requirements

- English – 4 credits
 - Math – 4 credits
 - Science – 4 credits
 - Social Studies – 4 credits
 - Health & Personal Fitness – ½ credit each
 - CTAE/World Language/Fine Arts – 3 credits
 - Electives – 4 credits
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- *Pathway completion – students must complete 3 courses in the same pathway*
 - *Students planning on attending a college or university must take a minimum of two years of the same language*



Credit Recovery

- Rockdale Open Campus
 - Full Time or Evening School
- Free for all students
- Register with your counselor or Dr. Mathis
- If your child is a student athlete, speak with your child's counselor about credit recovery options.

2023-2024 Open Campus Evening Program

Monday – Thursday

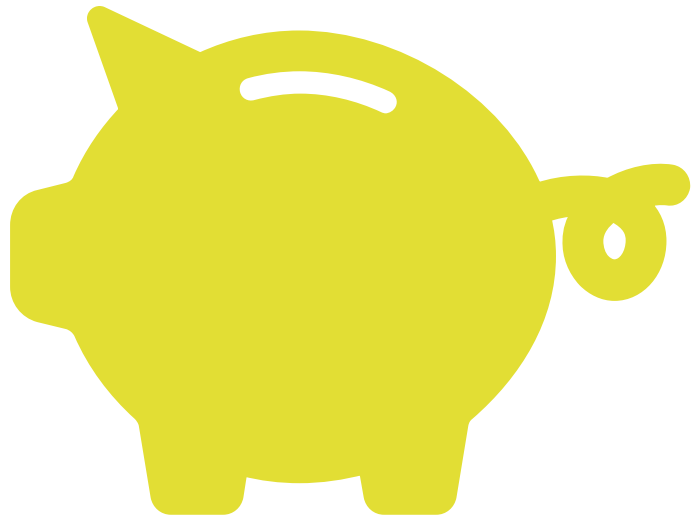
3:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

	Registration Dates	Credit Recovery Dates	Intercession Dates
Session 1	August 7– August 10	August 28 – September 21	August 28 – September 14
Session 2	September 5 – September 14	October 9 – November 2	October 9 – October 26
Session 3	October 16 – October 27	November 13 – December 14	November 13 – December 7
Session 4	December 11 – January 4	January 22 – February 15	January 22 – February 8
Session 5	January 29 – February 8	March 4 – March 28	March 4 – March 21
Session 6	March 4 – March 14	April 8 – May 2	April 8 – April 25

Applying to College

- Visit the college website and click on “Apply”
- Submit waivers, transcripts, and test scores
- Create an account with
 - GAFutures.org
 - CommonApp.org
 - BlackCommonApp.org

Financial Aid



- Complete the FAFSA opens December 1st
- Grants (i.e. Pell Grant-do not need to payback)
- Loans can be taken out by students and parents to help cover costs. There are government loans as well as bank loans. You must eventually repay them
- Work study is a federal program where you work to earn money to help pay for college expenses



Sources of Financial Aid

- Federal, State and Private funds designed to assist families in meeting higher education expenses. It is not a guarantee that education costs are covered in full.

- Examples of aid programs –
 - Pell Grant
 - Federal Work Study
 - Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans
 - HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarships
 - Institutional Scholarships
 - Private outside scholarships

Types of Scholarships

- Academic/Merit: GPA, Test Score Requirement
 - HOPE, Zell Miller, University, Val, Sal (3.0 Minimum)...complete FAFSA (Free app for fed student aid) fafsa.ed.gov)
- Athletic: Based on GPA, Test Scores and most importantly athletic ability in a sport
 - Wendy's Heisman, Foot Locker, College Coaches. NCAA and NAIA
- Need based: Based on financial need
 - Pell Grant (\$7000) 12 sem, GATES (Free or reduced lunch)

Types of Scholarships (cont'd)

- Local: Sorority, Fraternity, Church, community businesses
 - Delta Sigma Theta, Omega Psi Phi, Your church, Your dentist
- Performance (Music, Art, Dance): Based on talent.
 - Usually requires a portfolio of work or audition Band, Dance Team, Art Programs, Culinary Competitions
- Others: Colleges sometimes give Freshman scholarships
- Some scholarships are based on what you have...leadership, community service
 - Prudential Spirit, Scholarship, POSSE

Naviance

- Go to Classlink
- Click on the Naviance icon
- Scroll down to Tasks
- Click on the Senior Brag Sheet
- Merge Common App & Naviance Accounts

Military

- Sign up to take the ASVAB on October 17
- Visit the Rockdale Recruitment Office
- Must pass a physical exam and meet weight limit

ASVAB Sign Up



Senior Dues

- Cap, Gown, Stole, Tassel
- Senior T-Shirt
- Yearbook
- Senior Breakfast
- Senior Picnic
- Graduation Fees
- Yard Sign

RCHS

\$220

*Minimum
Deposit of \$60*

RMSST

\$230

*\$20 Late fee if
paid after
February 2, 2024.*

Elite Package - *OPTIONAL*

- Senior Hoodie
- T-Shirt (not the class shirt)
- Tumbler
- 5 Events
 - Fall Movie Night
 - Game Night
 - Bowling
 - Spring Movie Night
 - SkyZone

\$ 135

Must purchase by September 30, 2023.

Herff Jones

www.herffjonesgrad.com

770.921.9022



Senior Year Preparation Activities

- Open Class of 2024 OneNote
 - Link sent to your school email
- Complete the activities listed
- Several will be grades for your Senior English course
- Complete tasks by August 15 to be entered in drawing

Naviance

- Brag Sheet
- Resume
- Personal Essay
- Post Secondary Plan

RCHS

- RCHS Class of 2024 band
- Graduation Pledge
- Senior Picture
- Graduation Plan
- 24 Credit Magic Video

**Senior Dues
or
Senior Elite
Package**

Complete all 9 tasks

**Prom Ticket
or
Homecoming
Package**

Complete 5 tasks



August 15

Make Plans for...

- August 22 – Senior Class Officer Voting
- September 25 – 29 – HBCU Week
- September 21 – Senior Class Picture – 1st Block
- September 30 – Last day to purchase Elite Package
- October 9 – 14 – Homecoming, Theme: Old Hollywood
- October 17 – ASVAB Testing
- October – College Visits
- November 13 – 17 – Apply to College Week
- November 17 – Diploma Name Verification
- December 20 – 22 – Fall Final Exams

Additional Questions

Dr. Mathis

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 **2024**
class of



RCCHS Class of 2024

Welcome! Please join us to stay
connected!

Scan this QR code and join!





**Are you in it,
to win it?!?!?!?**

Attendance Drawing

No Absences or Tardies from
August 12 – September 30, 2023

(RCA Attendance counts as well)

Entered into Drawing for Senior Dues
AND Elite Package