

**Advisory**

**Course Description:** Required every year of high school at RCAA – Eagle's Path, Advisory teaches students specific skills to improve their self-regulation, success habits, self-efficacy, and college/career readiness.

**Attendance:** Students are required to be in school every day. Students are responsible for communicating with their teachers to make up for missed learning.

**Essential Skills:**

1. The learner articulates and embodies our school-wide expectations.
2. The learner defines Advisory and can explain why it is beneficial.
3. The learner demonstrates growth in 6 or more of the Learner Agency categories.

**Course Expectations:** Although not everything is graded, everything is important. To demonstrate growth and learning, students will need to:

1. Participate in class activities (take notes, work in a group, complete in-class tasks, ask questions) without distractions (cell phones, earbuds, games, etc.)
2. Use morning time and the teacher to seek help outside of class when needed.
3. Complete all assessments within teacher timelines.

**Grading**

**Learning (Practice)** includes instructional activities in and outside of class and are not used in grade determination.

**Skyward Assessment (Grades)** may include quizzes, labs, learning checks, tests, speeches, performances, and projects.

**Calculations:**

Course Grade	
Semester Grade	95%
Culminating Activity/Project/Exam	≥ 5%

Final Grade	
A	100% - 90%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%
F	0% - 59%

**Rapid City Alternative Academy Courses:**

- Will determine grades based on student learning and growth.
- Will not include practice and behavior in grade determination.
- Will give all students regardless of absence an opportunity to demonstrate learning.
- Will not include extra credit.

**Instructional Resources:** LMS Canvas course, Ted Talks, YouTube videos.