



# RCAS Academies Course Selection Sheet (2024-25 School Year)

## *9<sup>th</sup> Grade (Freshman Academy)* (Class of 2028)

Students must enroll in a minimum of 6.25 credits.



### REQUIRED COURSES

#### ENGLISH (select one)

- English 9 (Eng 9) 1.0 credit  
----- Advanced English 9\* (AdvEng) 1.0 credit

#### MATH (select one)

- Bridge Math (Bridge) 1.0 credit  
----- Algebra I (MAAlg1) 1.0 credit  
----- Geometry (MAGEO1) 1.0 credit

#### SCIENCE (select both)

- Biology 1 (Biol 1) .5 credit  
----- Biology 2 (Biol 2) .5 credit

#### SOCIAL STUDIES (select both)

- World Geography (WGeo) .5 credit  
----- World History (W Hist) .5 credit

#### RCAS ACADEMIES EXPLORE (select all)

- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Computer Applications (FrCmAp) .5 credit  
----- Freshman Seminar (FreshS) .5 credit  
----- GRADtime 9 (GRADog) .25 credit

#### LUNCH (All students are required to select and register for Lunch 9)

- Lunch 9 0 credit

#### Items to remember:

• West Middle School students turn in your completed & signed course selection sheet to your 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> period teacher no later than Feb. 29.

• Southwest MS students turn in your completed & signed course selection sheet to your enrichment teacher no later than Feb. 29.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### ELECTIVES

#### FINE ARTS

- Art 9 (2D) (Art92D) .5 credit  
----- Art 9 (3D) (Art93D) .5 credit  
----- Band 1 (Band1) 1.0 credit  
----- Jazz Band 1 (Jazz1) \*\*\* 1.0 credit  
----- Orchestra 1 (Orch1) 1.0 credit  
----- Chamber Orchestra 1-2-3-4 \*\* \*\*\* (Ch Orc) 1.0 credit  
----- Blue and Silver Express 1 \*\* \*\*\* (BlueEx) 1.0 credit  
----- Raider Choir 1-2-3-4 (RaidCH) (Tenor, Baritone, Bass) 1.0 credit  
----- Treble Choir 1 (TrebCh) (Soprano, Alto) 1.0 credit  
----- Drama 1 (Intro to Theatre) (Drama1) .5 credit  
----- Stagecraft (Theatre Tech. & Design) (Stage) .5 credit

#### HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

(May take up to 1 credit each year, Limit 1 class per semester)

- Strength & Conditioning Semester 1 (StrCo1) .5 credit  
----- Strength & Conditioning Semester 2 (StrCo2) .5 credit  
----- Team Activities Semester 1 (Team1) .5 credit  
----- Team Activities Semester 2 (Team2) .5 credit

#### WORLD LANGUAGES (Successful completion of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade English is recommended)

- German I (Germ 1) 1.0 credit  
----- Spanish I (Span 1) 1.0 credit

#### OTHER OFFERINGS

- Ag Leadership and Service (AGLEAD) .5 credit  
----- Debate (Debate) .5 credit  
----- Native American Heritage (NaAmH) .5 credit

Total Credits: \_\_\_\_\_

(Minimum of 6.25)

(Max 7.25 unless you register for Fine Arts 0-hour)

\* This rigorous course has an increased depth of content and expectations.

\*\* Audition required.

\*\*\* Must also be enrolled in Orchestra I for Chamber Orchestra students, Concert Band for Jazz Band students, OR a concurrent ensemble (Raider/Treble) for Blue & Silver Express Choir students.

# 4 Year Course Planner



Student Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Required Areas	Graduation Requirements*	9th Grade	10th Grade	11 Grade	12th Grade
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>4.0 credits</b> English 9 (.5 credit Writing & .5 credit Literature): 1.0 credit  English 10 (.5 credit Speech or Debate & .5 credit Literature): 1.0 credit English 11 (.5 credit Writing & .5 credit American Literature): 1.0 credit  Language Arts Electives: 1 credit (Must include .5 credits of Writing)	English 9 or Advanced English 9	English 10 or Advanced English 10	English 11 or AP English Language and Composition	English 12 or AP Eng. <b>OR</b> .5 Lit or Dual Credit Speech. & .5 Writing, or Dual Credit Composition
<b>MATH</b>	<b>3.0 credits</b> Algebra 1: 1.0 credit Geometry: 1.0 credit Math Elective: 1.0 credit	Bridge Math or Algebra 1	Algebra 1, Algebra II or Geometry	Geometry, Algebra II, Math Elective, AP, or Dual Credit	Geometry, Algebra II, Math Elective, AP, or Dual Credit
<b>SCIENCE</b>	<b>3.0 credits</b> Biology: 1.0 credit Physical Science or Chemistry: 1.0 credit Science Elective: 1.0 credit	Biology 1 and Biology 2	Chemistry or Physical Science 1 & 2	Science Elective, AP, or Dual Credit	Science Elective, AP, or Dual Credit
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>	<b>3.0 credits</b> World Geography: .5 credit World History: .5 credit U.S. History 1, 2, and 3: 1.5 credits U.S. Government: .5 credit	World History and World Geography	U.S. History 1 & 2 or AP U.S. History	U.S. History 3, U.S. Government, AP, or Dual Credit	U.S. History 3, U.S. Government, AP, or Dual Credit
<b>FINE ARTS</b>	<b>1.0 credit</b>				
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>.5 credit</b> Computer Applications	Computer Applications (.5)			
<b>PE/HEALTH</b>	<b>1.0 credit</b>				
<b>ECONOMICS or PERSONAL FINANCE</b>	<b>0.5 credit</b>				
<b>RCAS ACADEMIES CREDITS</b>	<b>3.5 credits</b>	GRADtime 9 (.25)	GRADtime 10 (.25)	GRADtime 11 (.25)	GRADtime 12 (.25)
		Explore Course Freshman Seminar (.5)	Engage Course (1.0)	Experience Course (1.0)	Optional Experience Course, AP, or Dual Credit
<b>ELECTIVES</b>	<b>2.5 credits</b>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>22.0 credits</b>				

\* Graduation Requirements for the Rapid City Area School District Base Diploma are based on the successful completion of a minimum of twenty-two (22) units of credit per RCAS District Policy IKF for the graduating class of 2024 and beyond. The South Dakota Department of Education requires students to complete a personal learning plan documenting a minimum of 22 units of credit. The completion of this course planner is a mandatory state requirement for graduation and this document should be saved. Please turn this sheet in with your completed course selection sheet

Coursework listed in green are suggestions for students to complete during the specified grade level. Students on an accelerated path or students seeking additional academic support may select alternative coursework to complete this plan.