



Graduating Citizens of the World

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1999-2000 NC School of Distinction, 2000-2004 NC School of Excellence, 2004-2009 NC Honors School of Excellence

OVERVIEW

Raleigh Charter High School, a public college-preparatory school, combines a demanding honors-level curriculum with the enrichment of field experiences. Chartered in 1999, the school in its first year attained the state's highest End-of-Course test scores and in 2001 became the first NC high school named a School of Excellence. All students are encouraged to attain their own levels of excellence in academics and to discover how to make contributions as citizens of the world. The first Senior Class graduated in 2002.

SELECTED FEATURES

- There are 542 students in grades 9-12.
- Student-faculty ratio: 19:1.
- School day has six 45-minute periods.
- Our school occupies historic Pilot Mill, a restored mill on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Community work and citizenship education are integral curricular and extracurricular components.
- Experiential education is stressed on Flex Days, Ex Days, Interdisciplinary Flex Days, and Community Work Days.
- We are members of NACAC and SACAC.
- Our school is a member of the Model Schools Network, one of seventy-five innovative high schools in the nation identified by the International Center for Leadership in Education.
- Our athletics program offers basketball, cross-country, soccer, swimming, tennis, track, volleyball, and golf.
- The 125 students in the Class of 2009 were accepted at 107 different colleges and universities and matriculated at 47 different schools. Scholarship awards totaled over \$4.696 million.
- Our school won the North Carolina Science Olympiad and North Carolina Public Library Quiz Bowl in 2004.
- Our Quiz Bowl team won the 2006 PACE national championship.
- Our school competed in the National Science Olympiad 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009.
- AP Environmental Science examination takers were ranked Number One in the World for a school of our size 2005 and 2006.
- *Newsweek's* Challenge Index: Raleigh Charter High School ranked 9<sup>th</sup> (2005), 53<sup>rd</sup> (2006), 18<sup>th</sup> (2007), 27<sup>th</sup> (2008), and 34<sup>th</sup> (2009)
- *U.S. News's* America's Best High Schools: Raleigh Charter High School ranked 20<sup>th</sup> (2008).

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students in the class of 2010 must successfully complete a minimum of 22 credits in grades 9-12, (1 credit = 1 year) and pass the North Carolina Competency and Computer Competency Exams.

- 4 English
- 4 Mathematics (at least Algebra I and higher)
- 3 Science (1 Laboratory)
- 3 History
- 2 Modern or Classical Languages
- 1 Healthful Living
- 5 Electives

HONOR GRADUATE DISTINCTIONS

<i>Summa cum laude</i>	3.75-4.00
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	3.50-3.74
<i>Cum laude</i>	3.00-3.49

RANKING OF STUDENTS

The student transcript reports both the weighted and unweighted Grade Point Averages. Because of its relatively small size and its college-preparatory program, Raleigh Charter High School does not rank its students for purposes of college applications.

Class of 2010 Statistics

Fall 2009 Unweighted RCHS GPA

6%	4.0	9%	2.50 – 2.74
16%	3.75 – 3.99	4 %	2.25 – 2.49
16%	3.50 – 3.74	3%	2.00 – 2.24
17%	3.25 – 3.49	< 1%	0.00 – 1.99
12%	3.00 – 3.24	1	new student
15%	2.75 – 2.99		

GRADING SYSTEM (New 08/09)

A+ (99-100)	6.0
A (95-98)	6.0
A- (93-94)	5.667
B+ (91-92)	5.333
B (87-90)	5.0
B- (85-86)	4.667
C+ (83-84)	4.333
C (79-82)	4.0
C- (77-78)	3.667
D+ (75-76)	3.333
D (72-74)	3.0
D- (70-71)	2.667
F (<70)	0

QUALITY POINTS BY COURSE

	AP	Honors Advanced/Enriched	Standard
A+ (99-100)	6.0	5.0	4.0
A (95-98)	6.0	5.0	4.0
A- (93-94)	5.667	4.667	3.667
B+ (91-92)	5.333	3.333	3.330
B (87-90)	5.0	4.0	3.0
B- (85-86)	4.667	3.667	2.667
C+ (83-84)	4.333	3.333	2.333
C (79-82)	4.0	3.0	2.0
C- (77-78)	3.667	2.667	1.667
D+ (75-76)	3.333	2.333	1.333
D (72-74)	3.0	2.0	1.0
D- (70-71)	2.667	1.667	0.667
F (<70)	0	0	0
W – Withdrawal		I - Incomplete	

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**ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING**  
**AP Tests Taken in 2009**

Biology	French Literature
Calculus AB	German Language
Calculus BC	Government & Politics, US
Chemistry	Human Geography
Chinese Language	Music Theory
Computer Science A	Physics B
Computer Science AB	Physics C
English Language	Psychology
English Literature	Spanish Language
Environmental Science	Statistics
European History	US History
French Language	

In 2009 287 students in grades 9-12 took 684 exams in 23 areas; 93% received scores of 3 or better. The Graduating Class Summary for the Class of 2009 is 100.0%.

**NORTH CAROLINA**  
**END-OF-COURSE TESTING**

Every year, Raleigh Charter High School students take these End-of-Course Tests required by the state of North Carolina. Percentages of students at or above grade level in June 2009 are listed.

	<b>RCHS</b>	<b>NC</b>
Algebra I	>95%	69.0%
Algebra II	93.1	67.2
Biology	>95	68.0
Chemistry	>95	71.8
Civics & Economics	>95	68.5
English I	>95	73.1
Geometry	>95	67.9
Physics	>95	81.5
US History	>95	66.5

**CLASS OF 2010 (129 Students)**

<b>PSAT (Mean Scores)</b>		
<b>Raleigh Charter</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>USA</b>
Critical Reading/Math/Writing		
<b>61.0/59.8/57.0</b>	<b>45.8/48.4/44.6</b>	<b>46.7/48.8/45.8</b>
<b>SAT</b>		
<b>Raleigh Charter</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>USA</b>
Critical Reading/Math/Writing		
<b>633/645/621</b>	<b>495/511/480</b>	<b>501/515/493</b>
<b>ACT</b>		
<b>Raleigh Charter</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>USA</b>
Composite		
<b>26.7</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>21.1</b>

**10 National Merit Semifinalists**  
**27 National Merit Commended Students**

**College Acceptance History 2002-2009**

Abilene Christian University	Hollins University	Stevens Institute of Technology
Agnes Scott College	Howard University	Swarthmore College
American University	Illinois Institute of Technology	Syracuse University
Amherst College	Indiana University	Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
Antioch College	Ithaca College	Texas A&M University
Appalachian State University	Jacksonville University	Transylvania University
Auburn University	James Madison University	Trinity College
Bard College	Johns Hopkins University	Tufts University
Barnard College	Johnson & Wales University (Charlotte)	Tulane University
Barton College	Juniata College	United States Coast Guard Academy
Baylor University	Kalamazoo College	United States Military Academy
Bellarmino University	Kansas State University	United States Naval Academy
Belmont Abbey College	Kenyon College	University of Alabama
Bennington College	Kettering University	University of Chicago
Boston College	Lawrence University	University of Cincinnati
Boston University	Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts	University of Colorado
Bowdoin College	Lee University	University of Connecticut
Brandeis University	Lees-McRae College	University of Dayton
Brevard College	Lenoir-Rhyne College	University of Delaware
Brigham Young University	Lewis & Clark College	University of Denver
Brigham Young University-Idaho	Liberty University	University of Edinburgh
Bryn Mawr College	Lipscomb University	University of Florida
Calvin College	Louisburg College	University of Georgia
Campbell University	Loyola University – New Orleans	University of Illinois
Carleton College	Macalester College	University of Kentucky
Carnegie Mellon University	Manhattanville College	University of Maryland
Case Western Reserve University	Marietta College	University of Maryland-Baltimore County
Catawba College	Marquette University	University of Miami
Chapman University	Mars Hill College	University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
The Citadel	Mary Baldwin College	University of Nebraska
Claremont McKenna College	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of New Orleans
Clemson University	McGill University	University of North Carolina-Asheville
Coastal Carolina University	Meredith College	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Colby College	Middlebury College	University of North Carolina-Charlotte
College of Charleston	Montreat College	University of North Carolina-Greensboro
College of the Atlantic	Morehouse College	University of North Carolina-Pembroke
College of William & Mary	Mount Holyoke College	University of North Carolina-Wilmington
College of Wooster	New College	University of Oklahoma
Colorado School of Mines	New York University	University of Oregon
Columbia College	North Carolina A & T State University	University of Pennsylvania
Columbia International University	North Carolina Wesleyan College	University of Pittsburgh
Columbia University	Northwestern University	University of Richmond
Concordia College	Northeastern University	University of South Carolina
Converse College	Northwestern University	University of Southern California
Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts	Nyack College	University of the South
Cornell University	Oberlin College	University of Toronto
Culinary Institute of America	Oglethorpe University	University of Vermont
Davidson College	Peace College	University of Virginia
Drew University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Washington
Drexel University	Pfeiffer University	University of Wisconsin
Duke University	Pomona College	Utah Valley State College
Earlham College	Prairie View A & M	Vanderbilt University
East Carolina University	Princeton University	Vassar College
Eastern Kentucky University	Purdue University	Virginia Commonwealth University
Eckerd College	Queens University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Elon University	Queens University – Ontario	Wake Forest University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Randolph College	Warren Wilson College
Emory & Henry College	Randolph- Macon College	Washington & Lee University
Emory University	Reed College	Washington University (St. Louis)
Florida College	Rhodes College	Wellesley College
Florida State University	Roanoke College	Wesleyan College (CT)
Framingham State College	Roger Williams University	Wesleyan College (NC)
Full Sail Real World Education	Roosevelt University	West Virginia University
Furman University	Rutgers University	Western Carolina University
Gardner-Webb University	St. Andrews College	Wheaton College (IL)
George Mason University	St. John's College	Williams College
George Washington University	St. Lawrence University	Wingate University
Georgetown University	St. Mary's college	Winthrop University
Georgia Institute of Technology	Salem College	Wittenberg University
Goucher College	Sarah Lawrence College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Greensboro College	School of Visual Arts	Xavier University
Grinnell College	Shaw University	Yale University
Grove City College	Skidmore College	
Guilford College	Smith College	
Hamilton College	Soka University of America	
Hampden-Sydney College	Southeastern Baptist University	
Hampshire College	Southeastern College	
Hampton University	Southern Adventist University	
Harding University	Southern Virginia University	
Harvard University	Spelman College	
Harvey Mudd College	Stanford University	
Hawaii Pacific University	State University of New York-Buffalo	
High Point University		
Hobart & William Smith Colleges		