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National Blue Ribbon School—Exemplary High Performing School

OVERVIEW

Raleigh Charter High School, a public college-preparatory school, educates citizens with a demanding honors-level curriculum with the enrichment of field experiences. 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. Our first Senior Class graduated in 2002.

SELECTED FEATURES

- We have 561 students in grades 9-12.
- Student-faculty ratio: 19:1.
- Our school day has six 45-minute periods.
- Community service and citizenship education are integral curricular and extracurricular components.
- Experiential education occurs on Flex Days (4 times per year), Ex Days (10), Phoenix Fest (1) and Community Work Days (2).
- We are members of NACAC and SACAC.
- In 2011, the Model Schools Network identified Raleigh Charter High School as one of five high schools in the nation recognized for proven and promising practices.
- Our athletics program offers basketball, cross-country, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis, track and field, and volleyball.
- The 138 students in the Class of 2021 were accepted at 128 different colleges and universities and matriculated at 41 different colleges in 29 states and 3 countries. Scholarship awards totaled over \$6 million.
- By virtue of first- and second-place finishes in NC, our school competed in the National Science Olympiad in 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016, and 2018, a singular achievement in NC during that span.
- *Newsweek's* America's Top STEM High Schools: Raleigh Charter High School ranked 44 (2020).
- *US News's* America's Best High Schools: Raleigh Charter High School was ranked 100 in the nation and 2 in North Carolina. *US News* ranked us 24 among charter schools in the nation and 48 for best STEM school in the nation (2021).
- In 2021, 323 RCHS students took 884 AP exams in 25 areas; 80% received scores of 3 or better.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must successfully complete a minimum of 22 credits in grades 9-12 (1 credit = 1 year).

- 4 English
- 4 Mathematics
- 3 Science (Environmental Science is required in North Carolina.)
- 4 History
- 2 Modern Languages
- 1 Healthful Living (Required in North Carolina)
- 4 Electives

GRADING SCALE	QUALITY POINTS BY COURSE		
	AP	Honors Advanced/Honors Enriched	Standard
A (90-100)	5.0	4.5	4.0
B (80-89)	4.0	3.5	3.0
C (70-79)	3.0	2.5	2.0
D (60-69)	2.0	1.5	1.0
F (0-59)	0	0	0

W – Withdrawal I – Incomplete

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. There are 131 students in the class of 2022.

Class of 2022 Statistics

June 2021 Unweighted RCHS GPA			
24%	4.0		
35%	3.75 – 3.99	2%	2.50 – 2.74
14%	3.50 – 3.74	2%	2.25 – 2.49
13%	3.25 – 3.49	0%	2.00 – 2.24
6%	3.00 – 3.24	2%	0.00 – 1.99
5%	2.75 – 2.99		

Scores

SAT (2021) 50th Percentile
 Evidence Based Reading & Writing: **650**
 Math: **670**

ACT (2021) Composite (Mean): 28

The Class of 2022 has 8 National Merit Semi-Finalists.

Graduation Requirements

RALEIGH CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics	4 credits
Science	3 credits (Biology, Chemistry, and Environmental Science)
History	4 credits (World History, Civics and Economics, American History I and II or AP US History and 1 History elective.)
English	4 credits (English I, II, III, IV)
World Languages	2 credits (including one course beyond the first year)
Healthful Living	1 credit
Electives	<u>4 credits</u>
TOTAL	22 credits

Healthful Living and either Environmental Science or Earth Science are state requirements.

NORTH CAROLINA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics	4 credits
Science	3 credits (Biology, a physical science, and Environmental Science)
Social Studies	4 credits (World History, Civics and Economics, American History I and II) or AP US History and 1 Social Studies elective)
English	4 credits (English I, II, III, IV)
World Languages	Not required for graduation. A two-credit minimum is required for admission to a university in the UNC system.
Healthful Living	1 credit
Electives	<u>6 credits</u>
TOTAL	22 credits