

**RABUN GAP-NACOOCHEE SCHOOL**  
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**Course Request for grades 9 & 10**  
**2008-2009 School Year**

Print this form and fill in your course preferences. Refer to the list of Course Offerings for the 2008-2009 school year on page 2. You may find course descriptions in the online Curriculum Guide. Not all courses are offered every year, and some courses may not be scheduled because of an insufficient number of requests. **Permission for Honors courses may be obtained by contacting the appropriate department chair.**

Mail, fax, or e-mail your request to the registrar as soon as possible.

<b>Name:</b>		<b>Grade level:</b>	<b>Year of Graduation:</b>
<b>ENGLISH</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Regular or <input type="checkbox"/> Honors
<b>MATH</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Regular or <input type="checkbox"/> Honors
<b>HISTORY</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Regular or <input type="checkbox"/> Honors
<b>SCIENCE</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Regular or <input type="checkbox"/> Honors
<b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Regular or <input type="checkbox"/> Honors
<b>BIBLE</b>	Sem. 1-Old Testament Survey <input type="checkbox"/>		
	Sem. 2-New Testament Survey <input type="checkbox"/>		(Old Testament Survey is a prerequisite for New Testament Survey)
<b>Choose three Fine Arts and/or electives in order of preference. One may be a study hall.</b>			
<b>FINE ARTS</b>  <b>and/or</b>  <b>ELECTIVES</b>	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
Comments:			
Student's signature		Parent's signature	

# COURSE OFFERINGS FOR 2008-2009

## UPPER SCHOOL CURRICULUM

### ENGLISH

English I  
English I Honors  
English II  
English II Honors  
American Literature (full-year, grade 11)  
AP Language & Composition (grade 11)  
AP Literature & Composition (grade 12) (replaces Senior Semester Courses; does not fill American Literature graduation requirement.)

#### Senior Semester-long Course Offerings

##### *Fall Semester*

-Contemporary Literature I  
-Modern World Literature I  
-Multi-Cultural Literature

##### *Spring Semester*

-British Literature  
-Contemporary Literature II  
-Modern World Literature II

#### Electives

Publications (gr. 9-12)  
Yearbook

### MATH

Algebra I  
Algebra IB  
Algebra I Honors  
Geometry  
Geometry Honors  
Algebra II  
Algebra II/Trig.  
Algebra II /Trig. Honors  
Algebra III  
Pre Calculus  
Calculus AB  
Calculus BC  
Statistics

### SCIENCE

Concepts of Physical Science (gr. 9)  
Biology (gr. 10-12)  
Biology Honors (gr. 10-12)  
AP Biology (gr. 11-12)  
Chemistry (gr. 10-12)  
Chemistry Honors (gr. 10-12)  
AP Chemistry (gr. 11-12)  
AP Environmental Science (gr. 11-12)  
Physics/Physics Honors/AP Physics (gr. 11-12)  
AP Psychology (gr. 11-12)  
(does not count as a lab class)

### OTHER OFFERINGS

0.5 unit of Health is required. Health is an independent study course.  
0.5 unit of PE/Sports is required.

**PE/Sports requirement may only be met by participation in 2 seasons chosen from the following:** an interscholastic team, One Act play, Cirque, Outdoor Program, BFS, or the Farm show team. Students can fulfill the PE requirement by receiving credit in Basic Kinesiology, a one semester course.

*Semester long courses*  
March 2008

### HISTORY

Grade 9:  
Ancient & Medieval World History  
Ancient & Medieval World History Honors

Gr. 10:  
Modern World History  
Modern World History Honors

Gr. 11-12:  
United States History  
AP United States History  
AP Modern European History  
AP American Government

Electives: 1 semester courses  
*Government (gr. 11-12)*  
*Economics (gr. 11-12)*

### RELIGIOUS STUDIES

0.5 unit of each required for graduation.  
*Old Testament Survey (gr. 9-12) (semester 1 only)*  
*New Testament Survey (gr. 9-12) (semester 2 only)*

### WORLD LANGUAGES

French I, II/H, III/H, IV, AP French Language  
Spanish I, II/H, III/H, IV/H, AP Spanish Language  
Latin III

### ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

ESL II  
ESL Reading Lab

### FINE ARTS

Art I  
Art II  
Art III  
AP Studio Art  
AP Art History  
Upper School Chorus  
Gap Singers (by audition only)  
Wind Ensemble  
Orchestra  
Music Technology  
Midi  
Dance I  
Dance II  
Gap Dancers (by audition only)  
Performance I  
Performance II  
Gap Players (by audition only)  
Stagecraft

Industrial Arts Technology  
Engineering & Architectural Drawing (CAD)  
General Shop (Wood and Metal)

### Department Chairs must sign for Honors and AP courses.

English: Mr. Landis      History: Dr. Truslow      Science: Mr. Brigham  
Fine Arts: Mrs. Manoogian      Math: Mrs. Anderson      World Languages: Mr. Hopkins

**All courses may not be available every year.**

**Courses may be canceled due to scheduling conflicts, or because of low enrollment numbers.**

## Graduation Requirements

### Core Courses

*English	4 Credits (I, II, American Lit., 1 credit of Senior Electives)
*Mathematics	4 Credits
*Science	3 Credits of “lab” science (entering 9 <sup>th</sup> graders will take Concepts of Physical Science, Biology, and 1 credit from either Chemistry or Physics)
*History	3 Credits (entering 9 <sup>th</sup> graders will take Ancient & Medieval World History, Modern World History, and United States History)
*World Language	3 credits (the same language)
Physical Education	0.5 credit (see #5 below)
Health	0.5 credit (Health is a required “Pass/Fail” independent study course)
Fine Arts	1 credit
Bible	1 credit
Senior Symposium (optional)	0.5 credit

### Senior Symposium

Students are encouraged to undertake a symposium project to broaden their horizons and to enhance their college admission profile. Some successful college essays have focused upon a student’s symposium experiences. If a student completes the bulk of the project during the summer before senior year, symposium has the potential to be a shining addition to the college portfolio. The college counselor is happy to consult with any students considering this option.

**\*For Georgia residents, only the grades earned in the courses indicated above (\*) will be counted in the calculation of the grade point average for HOPE Scholarship eligibility.** Please address any questions you may have concerning the HOPE Scholarships to our College Counselor. The Hope Scholarship website is [www.gsfc.org](http://www.gsfc.org).

### Qualifications for the Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School Diploma

To receive a diploma from Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School, students must complete the requirements listed below. The Assistant Head of School must approve any exception in conjunction with the Head of School.

**1. Earn credit in core courses required for graduation.**

When a student is admitted to RGNS, transfer credits will be accepted without further validation if an institution accredited by a regional or state accrediting agency has granted credit. **A student who wishes to take courses during the summer must obtain prior approval from the Assistant Head of School.** As a rule, core requirements must be completed at Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School. Credit will be awarded only if the courses are taken at an institution accredited by a regional or state agency. In some cases, a student may be required to complete successfully an equivalency examination in a particular subject. Permission to take a core subject in the summer is rarely granted.

**2. Enroll in a minimum of six courses, and no more than two in a single department, per year.**

A student will be allowed to participate in graduation if he/she has passed all but one class in his/her senior year. A student with failures in two courses will not be allowed to participate in graduation. **If a student has broken a major school rule during the last 14 days prior to graduation, he/she will not be allowed to participate or be present for graduation.**

**3. Demonstrate satisfactory performance in the Intersession for each year of enrollment.**

**4. Demonstrate satisfactory participation in the Afternoon Activity/Work Program for each year of enrollment. See page 42**

**5. PE/Sports requirement may only be met by participation in 2 seasons chosen from the following:** an interscholastic team, One Act play, Cirque, Outdoor Program, BFS and the Farm show team. Students can fulfill the PE requirement by receiving credit in Basic Kinesiology, a one semester course.

**6. Meet all financial obligations, including the payment of Library fines.**

**7. A RGNS diploma will only be granted when a student’s financial obligations have been met in full.**

**8. Must not violate RGNS policies, rules, Honor Code, or other standards of conduct or performance.**