## Welcome

## Class of 2028

## INTRODUCTIONS

#### HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE STAFF

- ► Kelly Shackelford, Principal
- Jason Pounds, Assistant Principal
- Candy McClure, Counselor, A-L
- ► Courtney Cordova, Counselor, M-Z
- ► Pat Windham, Counseling Assistant
- ► Madi Woods, Attendance Clerk
- ► Suzanne Butler, PEIMS Clerk
- Janan Stephenson, Nurse
- ► Shane Tipton, School Resource Officer

## GLEN ROSE ISD VISION

Sets a goal for every Glen Rose graduate to graduate with CCMR (college, career, and/or military readiness) by earning college hours, meeting benchmark scores on SAT/ACT/or TSI, and/or earning a technical certification ready to enter college, the workforce, or the military upon graduation from Glen Rose High School.

#### **TOPICS**

- ► Graduation Requirements & Options
- Advanced Courses
- ► GPA and Class Rank
- Mandatory Notifications (Top 10% rule, Early High School Completion, Financial Aid & Graduation, Algebra 2 Information)
- ► Required and Recommended Assessments
- Freshman Course Selection Process
  - Appointments
  - Required Courses
  - Student & Parent Worksheets
  - Online Scheduling
  - Resources

#### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

26 TOTAL CREDITS (see Graduation Plan Overview and Distinguished Endorsement Foundation High School Program handouts)

#### **Distinguished Level of Achievement**

- 4 English credits
- 4 Math credits
- 4 Science credits
- 3 Social Studies credits
- ▶ 1 Physical Education credit
- 2 Language other than English (LOTE) credits
- ▶ 1 Fine Art credit
- ▶ 7 Endorsement credits- from one or more endorsements

#### **Endorsements**

- STEM- Science,
   Technology, Engineering,
   & Math
- Business and Industry
- ► Arts and Humanities
- Public Services
- Multidisciplinary Studies

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

**Endorsements** (See Endorsement Flow Charts)

### <u>STEM-Science, Technology, Engineering, & Science</u>

 1 Additional Advanced Math or Science and 6 General Electives

OR

- 4 Endorsement Electives and 3 General Electives
  - Computer Science
  - Engineering & Robotics

Both Chemistry and Physics required sciences

#### **Business and Industry**

4 Endorsement Electives and 3 General Electives

- Agriculture
- Business
- Debate & Journalism
- Technology, Design, & Communication
- Transportation & Manufacturing

#### **Arts and Humanities**

3 Additional Fine Arts and 4 General Electives

OR

2 Additional Social Studies and 5 General Electives

OR

2 Additional LOTE and 5 General Electives

#### **Public Services**

4 Endorsement Electives and 3 General Electives

- Health Science
- Hospitality & Human Services
- Education

#### **Multidisciplinary Studies**

1 Additional Social Studies (both Chemistry and English 4 required) and 6 General Electives

OR

4 Advanced General Electives and 3 General Electives

OR

4 AP and/or Dual Core Classes and 3 General Electives

### GRADUATION OPTIONS

#### **Foundation Plan**

- Students may drop to the Foundation Plan after completing their sophomore year and only with parent permission.
- Foundation Plan requires 22 credits to graduate.
- ► The Foundation Plan may not be accepted by 4 year universities.
- See your counselor for additional information about this plan

# ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Speech (through English classes)
- CPR Training (senior year)
- Peace Officer Training (senior year)
- Completion of financial aid: FAFSA or TASFA or Opt-Out Form (senior year)
- CCMR- College Career Readiness (meet 1 of 3)
  - ► Meet college readiness scores on SAT, ACT, or TSIA2
  - Accumulate 9 hours in dual credit courses
  - Pass and receive an industry certification

## ADDITIONAL GRADUATION OPTIONS

#### **Performance Acknowledgements**

- Dual Credit- 12 college hours with a minimum grade of 80
- Bilingualism- 3 credits in LOTE and minimum grade of 80 in all English and LOTE courses
- Advanced Placement- minimum score of 3 on an AP exam
- ► PSAT, SAT, or ACT- outstanding scores on exams
- Certification or License- business or industry

## ADVANCED COURSES

## Advanced courses offered from Year to Year May Vary (see Dual Credit Options 2024-2025 handouts)

- Honors/Advanced courses are courses that prepare students for AP courses, dual credit courses, and future college courses.
  - Honors / Advanced courses are courses that don't receive any college credit but do receive extra points toward rank due to the rigor of the course.
- Advanced Placement (AP) courses are courses that prepare students for the college board advanced placement exams in May to potentially earn college credit. Courses are offered 11th-12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Dual credit courses are courses in which students receive BOTH high school and college credit.
  - ▶ World Geography Dual offered to 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Some courses are offered as both AP and dual credit.
- Most advanced classes may replace regular classes with the same name (Dual Credit English 4 will replace English 4)

## GRISD CLASS RANK POLICY

- Both class rank and GPA (grade point average) are important for college admissions and scholarships.
- ► <u>GPA</u>- all semester grades (non-weighted) averaged from all classes 9<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade (plus 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes that student received high school credit)
  - with the exception of study hall, no credit, summer school, and correspondence classes
- Class rank- students placed in order based on a weighted average that is defined in board policy.
  - Honors (10%), AP (15%), Advanced (15%), and Dual Credit (15%)
    courses get extra points with a passing grade in the class.
  - Policy found at <u>www.grisd.net</u> under Board of Trustees-Board Policy Online
  - Students will receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Rank/GPA at the beginning of their junior year.

## MANDATORY NOTIFICATIONS

<u>Top 10% Rule</u>: Texas House Bill 588 is a Texas law passed in 1997. The law guarantees students who graduated in the top ten percent of their high school class automatic admission to all state-funded universities.

<u>Texas First Early High School Completion Program</u>: Senate Bill 1888, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, added <u>Texas Education Code §28.0253</u>, which establishes a program to allow public high school students who demonstrate early readiness for college to graduate early from high school.

<u>Financial Aid Requirements for Graduation</u>: In 2019, the 86th Texas Legislature, House Bill (HB) 3, established the new requirement for Texas students to complete a financial aid application (or formally opt out) in order to graduate. The State Board of Education (SBOE) adopted rules related to the new requirement in January 2021.

Algebra II Information: The 86th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2019, passed SB 232 requiring school districts, not later than September 1 of each school year, to notify by regular mail or email the parents or guardians of each student enrolled in grade nine or above that state graduation requirements do not require a student to complete an Algebra II course to graduate under the Foundation High School Program. The notification must explain that if a student does not complete an Algebra II course, a student will not be eligible for automatic college admission or certain financial aid.

Foundation High School Program: In 2013, the 83rd Texas Legislature, House Bill (HB), established the new Foundation High School Program. The Texas Education Agency, in collaboration with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Texas Workforce Commission, developed the Graduation Toolkit to provide essential information to students, parents, and counselors about the new Foundation High School Program. The Graduation Toolkit is available for download.

### ASSESSMENTS

#### STAAR/EOC

State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness/End of Course

#### Required to Graduate

- English 1
- English 2
- Algebra 1
- Biology
- US History

#### Recommended

- AP Exams (after completing AP course)
- Pre-ACT (sophomore year)
- PSAT (junior year)
- SAT (junior/senior year)
- ACT (junior/senior year)
- TSI Assessment (before taking college level courses, can exempt through SAT or ACT)
- ASVAB (senior year)

## FRESHMAN COURSE SELECTIONS Appointments

- ► Each student (and parent) will meet with Mrs. McClure or Mrs. Cordova
- ▶ During the meeting, students will:
  - Create a personal graduation plan.
  - Choose an endorsement plan.
  - Make course selections for next school year.
  - Ask questions.
- ► Students that miss their appointment will need to reschedule through Mrs. Herron.

# FRESHMAN COURSE SELECTIONS Before Appointments

- Review over all materials in your freshman orientation folder.
- Complete the Personal Graduation Plan and the Freshman Course Selection Survey (the high school is on an 8 period day).
- Fill out the Four Year Plan (see examples attached)
  - Review Endorsement Flow Chart, Math Flow Chart, and Science Flow Chart
  - Course catalog can be viewed on line (<u>www.grisd.net</u>, high school, counselors)
  - Course catalog subject to change from year to year.
- Write down any questions.
- Bring your folder and completed worksheets to your appointment.

## FRESHMAN COURSE SELECTIONS COURSES

#### Required 9th Grade Courses

- English 1/Honors English 1
- World Geography/Dual W. Geography
- Biology/ Honors Biology
- Algebra 1 or Geometry/Honors Geometry (for students currently taking Algebra)

#### Required for Graduation

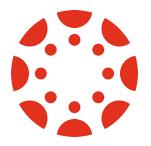
- PE or PE Equivalent (1 credit)
- ► LOTE (2 credits)
- ► Fine Art (1 credit)
- Endorsement and General Electives (7 credits)

## **GRHS Communication Apps/Email**

Skyward- Gradebook



Canvas-Teacher Assignments



Remind App- Grade level / School Communication



Email- student Gmail account

Glenrosetigers.info

## **Remind Instructions**

- ► To receive messages via text message
  - ► Text class code @ <u>(see chart below)</u> to **81010**
- ► To receive messages via push notification
  - Download Remind App
- Enter Class Code @ (see chart below)

GRHS Graduation Year (Class) Reminds	Class Code
GRHS 2028 (Freshmen) Students	@grhs2028s
GRHS 2028 (Freshmen) Parents	@grhs2028p

## STUDENT INPUT AND ADVICE

- What was the biggest difference between high school and junior high?
- What do you enjoy most about high school?
- What would you have done differently if you could start over?

What is your advice to the new freshmen next year?

#### CONCLUSION

Visit the Glen Rose ISD website, <a href="www.grisd.net">www.grisd.net</a> (high school, counselors) for additional resources and information.

Additional Info in Folder: Helpful Internet Resources, GRHS Communication Resources, Parent Taught Driver's Education.