

# R.J. Reynolds High School



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R.J. Reynolds High School, located in the heart of Winston-Salem, NC, was founded in 1923. As the oldest continuously operating public high school in Forsyth County, Reynolds maintains the “tradition of excellence” upon which the school was founded. For the past 16 years Reynolds has been an arts magnet school that weaves arts education, arts exposure, and arts integration into the high school experience. Reynolds is among a select group of public magnet schools in NC to be recognized nationally as both a School of Excellence through the Magnet School of America Association and a Kennedy Center School of Excellence.

“Amid the pines, she proudly stands,” Reynolds serves a diverse population of 1,700 students from throughout the entire city and county. The students from our residential zone make up 70% of our student body. The remaining 30% attend through a magnet application and lottery process. Representing more than 40 countries, our student body is comprised of 33% White, 34% Black, 25% Hispanic, 5% Multi-Racial and 3% Asian students. Additionally, approximately 50% of our students qualify for the free and reduced lunch program and we are designated as a Title 1 school.

Reynolds is in the 4A Central Piedmont Athletic Conference. We support 40 athletic teams on which over 40% of our students compete and proudly wear our “black and gold” as they represent the Demons. In the 2022-23 school year, the Demons were conference champions in field hockey, Boys and Girls Lacrosse and Boys golf. We had 8 conference players of the year.

In the 2022-23 school year, 70% of Reynolds students actively participated in courses, organizations and activities related to the Arts. Our students excelled in the PTA Reflections contest, winning 4 District awards and a State award. Our class-directed Radio 101 submissions, for a second year in a row, swept the North Carolina Scholastic Media Association Awards. Reynolds’ A Cappella students received superior ratings at Music Performance Adjudication and a perfect score in sight reading.

**RJR is the place where everyone wants to be.**

## ACCREDITATION

R.J. Reynolds High School is accredited by AdvancED.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English	4.0
Mathematics	4.0
Science	3.0
Social Studies	4.0
Physical Education / Health	1.0
Electives / Academic Courses	6.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22.0</b>

## CURRICULUM NOTES

All students at Reynolds attend four, 90-minute classes daily on A-day/B-day, 4x4, and hybrid schedules. Our vibrant arts curriculum includes 62 distinct visual and performing arts courses and fills more than 2,100 arts class seats every day. Some of our students also attend the Career Center High School, which enriches their academic experiences through specialty Advanced Placement and Career/Technical courses.

## CLASS RANK

Class Rank, which is determined by weighted rank grade point average, is calculated at the mid and end of the year for grades 9-12. Weighted rank is used to identify junior marshals (top 3-5%) and honor graduates. Class rank is reported in numerical order from the student who earned the highest average to the student who earned the lowest average. Points used in calculation are awarded as follows:

GPA (UW)		GPA (W)		
MARK	A = 4	STD	Honors	AP
	90-100	4	4.5	5
	80-89	3	3.5	4
	70-79	2	2.5	3
	60-69	1	1.5	2

**Counselor/Director**Students A-B  
Nicole Beale**Counselors**Students C-De  
Amy WilliamsStudents Df-G  
Troy Li-BarberStudents H-Mc  
Thomas MooreStudents Md-R  
Mary Anne McClainStudents S-Z  
Cristen WileyCareer Development  
Alisha Tuck-  
Thompson**Clerk**

Maria Whitehead

**Registrar**

Lucy Marion

**Data Manager**

Betsy Pittman

**Asst. Principal of Instruction**

Charmell Pettus

**Asst. Principals**David Friedman  
Anthony Grier  
Paul Pressly**Arts Magnet Director**Pamela Henderson-  
Kirkland**Athletic Director**

Bradley Fisher

**Sports - Div 4A**Baseball  
Basketball  
Cross Country  
Field Hockey  
Football  
Golf  
Indoor Track  
Lacrosse  
Soccer  
Softball  
Swimming/Diving  
Tennis  
Track  
Volleyball  
Wrestling**Student Enrollment**  
**1,700**

Honors Academic Curriculum			Advanced Placement Curriculum	
A Cappella	Dance III, IV	Painting II	AP Seminar	French Language
Accounting II	Discrete Math	Personal Finance	AP Research	German Language
African Am. Studies	Digital Photo II	Physics	Art Drawing	Gov & Politics
Alternative Energies	Drawing II	Piano	Art History	Human Geography
American Hist. I, II	Earth/Environmental	Pre-Calculus	Art Portfolio (2-D)	Japanese Language
Animation	Economics	Psychology	Art Portfolio (3-D)	Latin
Anatomy & Phys.	English I, II, III, IV	Seminar English I, II	Biology	Micro/Macro Econ
Art IV	French III, IV, V	Sociology	Calculus AB	Music Theory
Band III, IV	German III, IV	Spanish III, IV, V	Calculus BC	Physics 1, 2, C
Biology	Guitar	Tech Theatre III, IV	Chemistry	Psychology
Ceramics	Intl. Relations	Theatre Arts III, IV	Chinese Language	Spanish Language
Chemistry	Japanese III, IV	World Geography	Computer Science Principles, A	Spanish Literature
Chinese III, IV	Latin III, IV, V	World History	English Language	Statistics
Chorus III, IV	Math II, III, IV	Yearbook	English Literature	U.S. History
Civics & Economics	Newspaper		Environmental Sci.	World History
Civil Liberties	Orchestra III, IV		European History	

**National Merit Scholarship Program –  
Classes of 2020-2023**Finalists 4  
Commended 22**Scholarships – Class of 2023**Merit \$11,087,551  
Athletic \$ 94,000  
Grants \$ 5,011,268**R.J. Reynolds Class of 2023**52.0% attending 4-year College/University  
31.5% attending Technical & Community College  
16.5% pursuing Employment, Military, Other**Colleges - Class of 2023**

Appalachian State University	Livingston College	Univ. of San Francisco
Auburn University	Mars Hill University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Berklee College of Music	Marymount Manhattan	Sewanee: Univ. of the South
Brevard College	Mass Inst of Tech - MIT	Southern Methodist Univ.
Clemson University	Meredith College	Southern Virginia University
College of Charleston	Univ. of Mount Olive	St. John's University
Cornell University	Mount Saint Mary's Univ.	SUNY Purchase College
Davidson College	New York University	Univ. of Tennessee, Knoxville
Davidson-Davie CC	Norfolk State University	University of Texas
Duke University	North Carolina A&T State	Trinity University
East Carolina University	North Carolina Central Univ.	United States Naval Academy
Elizabeth City State Univ.	North Carolina State Univ.*	Virginia Tech University
Elon University	UNC - Asheville	Wake Forest University
Fayetteville State University	UNC - Chapel Hill*	Wake Technical CC
Forsyth Technical CC	UNC - Charlotte*	Warren Wilson College
Furman University	UNC - Greensboro	Washington and Lee Univ.*
Gaston College	UNC – School of the Arts	Washington Univ. in St. Louis
University of Georgia	UNC - Wilmington	Western Carolina University
Guilford College	Northwestern University	Western Governors University
Guilford Technical CC	Pratt Institute	William & Mary
Hampden-Sydney College	University of Richmond	Wingate University
University of Iowa	Roanoke College	Winston Salem State University
Lees-McRae College	Salem College	

\* In the Class of 2023, we had students who were awarded Morehead-Cain, Park, Levine, and Johnson scholarships.