



CLASS OF 2029

SCHOOL OF RHETORIC

FRESHMEN REGISTRATION

Welcome to the Eagle Ridge Academy School of Rhetoric and the 2025-26 school year!

Read through the important information for incoming freshmen in this packet and then use the registration worksheet to guide your course selection. Additional information and course descriptions may be found in the online course catalog on the Eagle Ridge Academy website: eagleridgeacademy.org/school-of-rhetoric-resources. Students must complete the registration sheet and return it to their study hall instructor the week of January 6, 2025.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN

The school counselor will meet with students during the week of **December 2** to discuss registration.

Registration will open for students currently in grades 8-11 on **Monday, January 6**. Students submit their registration to their study hall instructor. All currently enrolled students must register for the 25-26 school year. Registration forms should be returned by **Friday, January 10**.

Registration will officially close on **Friday, January 31**. Courses will be assigned to those who do not register depending on class availability, and course requests for 2025-2026 close at this time.

Before registration, take time to talk with your current teachers about future courses.

For more information on any of these events, please visit eagleridgeacademy.org or contact Linda Kaiser, Academic Counselor, at 952-746-7760 x 2127 or lkaiser@eagleridgeacademy.org.

BROWSE THE 2025-26 COURSE CATALOG



Scan the QR code to browse the 2025-26 Course Catalog. In the Course Catalog, you can read course descriptions, prerequisites, credits and other details. You will also find information regarding grading, college admissions and academic planning.

Use the Course Catalog to help you complete the registration sheet at the back of this packet.

WELCOME TO

EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY

SCHOOL OF RHETORIC,

GRYPHON CLASS OF 2029!

COLLEGE PREPARATION & CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES

The School of Rhetoric academic programming was created to include a breadth of disciplines within the Liberal Arts tradition. We take pride in our curriculum, which challenges scholars to think, speak, and make informed decisions. As a result, students leave Eagle Ridge Academy educated on how to be more knowledgeable and exemplary citizens. This firm foundation prepares our students to be accepted into their first-choice post-secondary institution and instills the necessary skills and knowledge for success later in life.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP®)

The College Board designs Advanced Placement (AP) courses for students in Grades 10-12, which means AP courses in any high school utilize a standard set of learning objectives. This gives students the chance to tackle college-level work while they are still in high school. Students will see and feel what college work is like while receiving the support to help them get there. AP courses enable students to stand out in college admissions and skip introductory classes. At the end of the course, students can take the AP exam, possibly earning college credit.

Students can dig deeper into subjects that interest them, develop advanced research and communication skills, and learn to tap into their individual creative, problem-solving, and analytical potential. Students interested in earning the AP Capstone diploma must take AP Seminar their junior year as a prerequisite to AP Research their senior year. To earn the AP Capstone diploma, students must earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research, and on 4 additional AP exams of their choosing.

Each college differs regarding what is accepted for AP scores and how credit is honored. For more information, go to collegeboard.org. See page 7 for more information about AP course grades and weighting.

List of ERA's Eighteen AP Courses	AP Studio Art 3D	Mathematics
	Humanities	AP Calculus AB
	AP Economics	AP Calculus BC
	AP Psychology	AP Precalculus
	AP Seminar	AP Statistics
	AP Research	
	AP United States Government & Politics	Science
		AP Biology
	Art History	AP Chemistry
	AP Art History	AP Computer Science Principles
Fine Arts	AP Physics	
AP Music Theory		
AP Studio Art 2D		
World Language		
AP Latin		

ADVANCED COURSES

Courses at Eagle Ridge Academy are taught with a high level of rigor, aligning with college-credit bearing tests. Students taking Humanities: Renaissance World (Gr. 11) may opt to take the **AP Language and Composition** exam. Students taking Humanities: Modern World (Gr. 12) often take the **AP Literature and Composition** exam.

PARTNERED LEARNING COURSES

Nova Classical Academy

Nova Classical Academy and Eagle Ridge Academy have joined forces to provide our students the opportunity to take courses with traditionally low enrollments. A host school is designated to own the course and the other will participate via live-time technology such as Zoom or Adobe Connect. Students at both sites will earn the same credit for the course upon completion.

For the 2025-2026 academic year, Nova will be the host school for **Classical Greek 1** and **AP Calculus BC**. ERA will be the participant school, joining in classes in live time. The classes will take place during the school day at a designated hour that works for both schools. Eagle Ridge will be the host school for **AP Economics**, **AP Psychology**, and **AP United States Government & Politics**.

College in the Schools (CIS)

CIS is a collaborative program offered through the University of Minnesota. Students in CIS are concurrently enrolled, taking a college course through a collaboration with Nova Classical Academy. The CIS course offered in 2025-2026 is **CIS Classical Greek 1** (live online with NCA). In CIS courses, students can earn free college credits that are highly transferrable, demonstrate their learning on multiple and varied assessments throughout the course (rather than on a single, high-stakes test), and experience the fast pace and increased rigor of U of MN courses.

EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY SCHOOL OF RHETORIC

CLASS OF 2029 FRESHMEN REGISTRATION SHEET

Student Name: _____

Please complete this worksheet, listing your course requests for the 2025-2026 school year. Bring the completed sheet to your study hall class during the week of January 6, 2025 to submit your registration. Each student should register for a total of seven (7) credits for the school year and two (2) alternate elective credits. **Bold course titles indicate those for which students will be pre-registered.**

Pre-registered Courses <i>Math, Science, and Language will be determined by eighth grade coursework.</i>	
Humanities - Humane Letters: Ancient World	Full-year; 2 credits
Math - Algebra Linear & Quadratics, Geometry, or Algebra I	Full-year; 1 credit
Science - Chemistry	Full-year; 1 credit
Latin - Latin I, Latin II, or Latin III	Full-year; 1 credit
Singletons - Logic and Healthy Living	2 Semesters; .5 credits each

Elective Courses <i>Please choose four electives in the order of your preference and circle the length of the course. The following elective courses will be placed in your schedule depending on class availability.</i>	
Choice 1:	Full-year or Semester
Choice 2:	Full-year or Semester
Alternate Choice 1:	Full-year or Semester
Alternate Choice 2:	Full-year or Semester

Classes are designed and teachers are hired based upon your registration, so please ensure your elective choices are correct. Students will receive their 2025-26 schedule prior to the end of the school year.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____