

Rocky Mount Academy

Profile 2024-2025

Head of School

Beth Murphy (bmurphy@rmacademy.com)

Head of Upper School

Timmy Tucker (ttucker@rmacademy.com)

Registrar

Dawana Davis (ddavis@rmacademy.com)

Director of College Counseling

Emily Ballance (eballance@rmacademy.com)



1313 Avondale Avenue
Rocky Mount, NC 27803

Telephone: 252-443-4126

Facsimile: 252-937-7922

Website: www.rmacademy.com

CEE/ACT School Code 343374

OVERVIEW

Founded in 1968, Rocky Mount Academy is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school for students in grades PK-12. Located on 41 wooded acres in suburban Rocky Mount, North Carolina, the school draws students from seven surrounding counties. Fully accredited and with a low student/teacher ratio, RMA seeks to prepare its students for the challenges, opportunities, and responsibilities they will encounter in life and college. Students are challenged to go beyond simply learning information to actively engaging in their own education by analyzing, creating, and applying critical thinking skills in their courses. RMA students are offered a wide range of athletic, co-curricular, and extra-curricular activities.

Rocky Mount Academy does not discriminate on the basis of color, national, or ethnic origin in any of its policies, practices, or procedures. Financial aid is awarded based on need and is determined by School Scholarship Services of Princeton, New Jersey.

SELECTED FEATURES

- 2024-2025 enrollment – PK-12: 497; 9-12: 150 (42% receive financial aid)
- 43% of RMA faculty hold post-graduate degrees
- Member of NAIS & NCAIS
- Honor Code and Student Honor Council
- 100% annual college acceptance rate
- Seven-period schedule (minimum of six credits per year; however with special approval, upperclassmen may take additional classes)
- Average Upper School academic class size: 13
- Honors Global Studies Program
- 50 hours of community service required for graduation
- Accredited by SAIS and AdvancEd
- Inclusive campus for children with Exceptional Needs

GRADES

Numeric and letter grades are given in all classes for each trimester grading period. Scale: A (100-90); B (89-80); C (79-70); D (69-65) F (65-0)

Letter grade system converts to a grade point average as follows:

<u>Non-Weighted Courses:</u>	<u>Weighted Courses:</u>
A (4.0)	AP Course +1
B (3.0)	Honors Courses +.5
C (2.0)	Advanced Courses +.25
D (1.0)	
F (0.0)	

The GPA includes only work completed at Rocky Mount Academy.

CLASS RANK

Given the graduating class size, academic strength of students, and rigorous college preparatory curriculum, individual class rank is not considered a valid measure of a student's achievement and is not computed. Valedictorian and salutatorian are recognized at graduation.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Minimum of 23 units required for graduation:

- 4 units of English
- 4 units of mathematics, one course each year and at least one unit beyond Algebra II
- 3 units of science, including a life science, a physical science, and a lab science
- 3 units of history, including US History
- 2 units of foreign language

- 1 trimester course in Computer App and Public Speaking
- A grade point average (GPA) of 70 or above
- Participation in Advisory Program and one team sport
- Satisfactory completion of all service hours (50 hours)
- Satisfactory completion of summer reading requirements

Beyond these graduation requirements, specific course requirements exist for 9th grade. These courses include Art I and Music I .

SAT and ACT Test Results

Class of 2025:

EBRW (mid-50%) 490-650

Math (mid 50%) 500-640

ACT Composite (mid 50%) 18-25

COVID-19 RESPONSE

In March 2020, Rocky Mount Academy's students did not return from Winter Break, and students and faculty engaged in virtual distance learning for the remainder of the academic year. Courses continued with typical rigor through May 15, 2020, with final grades posted on June 1, 2020. We began the 2020–2021 school year in a hybrid model with the majority of students choosing to attend class in-person and some attending online synchronously or asynchronously. Class sizes were reduced to allow for social distancing in the classroom, limiting elective options for some students. Our transcripts will appear identical to pre-COVID transcripts, and our counselor recommendation and this secondary school report will reflect anything remarkable from Spring trimester 2020 through Spring trimester 2021.

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIPS (2020 – 2024)

- University of Toledo Presidential Scholarship
- Transformational Scholars Scholarship- North Carolina State University
- Brinkley Lane Scholarship - East Carolina University
- High Point University Presidential Scholarship

ADVANCED PLACEMENT:

- AP Biology
 - AP Calculus AB
 - AP Chemistry
 - AP Macroeconomics
 - AP Microeconomics
 - AP English Literature
 - AP Environmental Science
 - AP European History
 - AP PreCalculus
 - AP Psychology
 - AP Physics 1
 - AP Statistics
 - AP Studio Art: 2-D Design
 - AP Studio Art: 3-D Design
 - AP Studio Art: Drawing
 - AP US Government and Politics
 - AP US History
- 55% of eligible RMA students are enrolled in at least one AP class
90% of eligible RMA students scored a 3 or higher
90% of eligible RMA students passed at least one exam

College Acceptances by Rocky Mount Academy Seniors 2020-2024

American University*	Lees-McRae College*	Tulane University
Appalachian State University*	Lenoir Community College	University of Alabama
Auburn University	Lenoir-Rhyne University	University of Arizona
Averett University	Liberty University*	University of California, Davis*
Ball State University	Mary Baldwin University	University of Connecticut
Barton College*	Mercer University	University of Georgia
Belmont Abbey College	Meredith College*	University of Kansas
Brevard College	Methodist University*	University of Maryland-College Park
Campbell University*	Michigan State University	University of Mississippi*
Cape Fear Community College*	Millikin University	University of Mount of Olive
Carson Newman University	Montclair State University	University of North Carolina-Asheville*
Carteret Community College*	Montana State University	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill*
Case Western Reserve University	Mount Holyoke College	University of North Carolina-Charlotte*
Charleston Southern University	Mount Olive University	University of North Carolina-Greensboro
Chowan University	Nash Community College*	University of North Carolina-Pembroke*
Clemson University*	North Carolina A&T University*	University of North Carolina School of the Arts
Coastal Carolina University	North Carolina Central University*	University of North Carolina-Wilmington*
College of Charleston*	North Carolina State University*	University of Pittsburgh
Davidson College*	North Carolina Wesleyan University*	University of Rhode Island
DePaul University*	North Central University Minneapolis	University of Rochester
Duke University*	Northeastern University	University of South Carolina*
East Carolina University*	Oklahoma City University*	University of Tennessee
Edgecombe Community College*	Oregon Institute of Technology	University of Toledo*
Elizabeth City State University	Parsons School of Design*	University of Virginia
Elon University	Penn State University	University of Washington-Seattle Campus
Emerson College	Pfeiffer University	University of Wisconsin
Emory and Henry College	Pitt Community College*	University of Wyoming
Emory University, Oxford College*	Purdue University*	Virginia Commonwealth University
Fordham University	Randolph College*	Virginia Military Institute*
Furman University*	Regent University	Virginia Polytechnic University*
Gardner Webb University	Rhodes College	Wake Forest University*
Geneva College*	Roanoke College	Wake Technical Community College*
George Mason University	Rochester Institute of Technology	William Peace University
George Washington University	Rutgers University*	West Virginia University
Georgia Polytechnic University	Saint Andrews University	Western Carolina University*
Georgia State University	Saint Augustine's University Savannah	Western New England University
Gettysburg College	College of Art and Design	Wingate University
Guilford College	Seton Hall University	Winston-Salem State University
Hampton-Sydney College*	Sewanee: The University of the South	Wofford College
High Point University*	Shenandoah University	Wright State University
Hollins University*	Southwest Mississippi Community College	
James Madison University	Syracuse University	
Lee University	Temple University	
Louisiana State University		

*denotes matriculation