



# RIDGWAY MIDDLE-HIGH SCHOOL

## EXTRACURRICULAR WAIVER

### PURPOSE

The Ridgway Area School District recognizes the challenges of scheduling elective classes for students who want to enrich their educational experience while attending high school. In an effort to provide scheduling flexibility to high school students, RHS juniors and seniors may earn elective credits required for graduation by participating in a Board approved extracurricular program.

### REQUIREMENTS TO EARN EXTRACURRICULAR CREDITS JR/SR YEAR

**Freshman Year & Sophomore Year** – students must have completed 6 elective classes with at least a “C” or better, earning 6 credits by the conclusion of their sophomore year.

**Junior Year & Senior Year** – students may earn a maximum of 2 elective credits by participating in the following Board approved extracurricular programs:

- \*Marching Band
- \*Concert Band
- \*Show Choir
- \*Concert Choir
- \*Musical Production

\*Students completing the extracurricular activity will be awarded a (.5) Extracurricular credit.

### REGISTRATION

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understand and agree to the terms of this waiver. Upon successfully completing my extracurricular activity, I will receive a (.5) Extracurricular credit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Guidance Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Advisor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Activity you are participating in

\*\*\*\*\*SCHEDULE CHANGES WILL NOT BE MADE UNTIL ALL SIGNATURES ARE OBTAINED\*\*\*\*\*

## RHS Extracurricular Waiver for Elective Credit

Adopted August 2013

Juniors and Seniors participating in a Board approved extra-curricular program offered in the Ridgway Area School District are eligible for academic credit by:

1. Completing the Extra Curricular Credit for Board approved Extra Curricular Program Form; completing all Pre-requisite Requirements and returning both to the Principal's Office two weeks prior to the start of the school year.
2. Abiding by the process and all extra-curricular program requirements.
3. Completing and returning the School Affiliated Extra-Curricular(s) Time Sheet within two weeks of the completion of the extracurricular activity.
4. Maintaining academic eligibility for the duration of the extracurricular program. Students that cannot practice or compete due to academic ineligibility or prolonged injury/illness shall not be awarded the .5 elective credit.

### Ridgway Area School District Procedure

#### ELECTIVE CREDIT

##### FOR PARTICIPATION IN BOARD APPROVED EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

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1. All RHS freshmen and sophomores are required to enroll in elective courses during 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade which are taught within the traditional school day. RHS freshmen and sophomores must have successfully completed 6 elective classes with at least a "C" or better, earning 6 credits by the conclusion of their sophomore year.
2. Juniors and Seniors who have passed 6 elective classes with at least a "C" or better, earning 6 elective credits by the conclusion of their sophomore year are eligible to earn 2 elective credits through participation in a Board approved extracurricular program.
3. Juniors and Seniors can elect to earn a maximum of 2 elective credits by:
  - a. participating in two different Board approved extracurricular programs during one school year (e.g. marching band = .5 credit; concert band = .5 credit; show choir = .5 credit; concert choir = .5 credit; musical production = .5 credit).
  - b. participating in one Board approved extracurricular program for two consecutive seasons/ school years. (e.g. marching band as a junior = .5 credit; marching band as a senior - .5 credit for a total of 1 elective credit). Students earning elective credits through participation in a Board approved extracurricular program will be awarded credit toward graduation as pass/fail.
  - c. Elective credits earned toward graduation through participation in a Board approved extracurricular program will be clearly designated on a student's transcript as "Extra Curricular Elective Pass/Fail".
4. Juniors and Seniors who choose not to participate in a Board approved extracurricular program can earn the balance of their elective credits by enrolling in traditional elective classes during the regularly schedule school day/year.

Students, who do not meet this criteria and the time lines associated here in during the fall semesters WILL NOT be awarded a .5 elective credit and will be scheduled into an elective course class during second semester. Students are required to earn 7 elective credits prior to graduating.