GENERAL ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES

To apply to Rhodes State College, prospective students must complete an online application for admission through the Rhodes State website. There is a one-time \$25 non-refundable student onboarding fee. This fee will be charged at the time you register for your first semester and is due with your first-semester bill.

- Rhodes State College does not require a high school transcript or GED scores for admission to the College or for degree conferral.
- Students applying for Federal Financial Aid must submit an official high school transcript with graduation date or GED certificate with scores to confirm that they are qualified to study at the postsecondary level and therefore is eligible for financial aid.
- An applicant transferring to Rhodes State College from another college, university, or other post-secondary institution, should request an official transcript be sent directly to Rhodes State College for transfer credit evaluation.
- The Office of Registration and Records confirms the validity of all incoming transcripts to the College by verifying it has been sent from the source of the transcript.

A high school student considering enrolling before graduation should refer to the College Credit Plus section in this catalog for more information.

Certain professions prohibit individuals with criminal records from practicing. If a student has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony, he/she should consult the Office of Admissions for the appropriate referral for information concerning eligibility for a professional license.

American College Test (ACT)

The ACT is a standardized test that measures college readiness. An enhanced version of the ACT has been developed and administered since the 1989 academic year. This enhanced version does represent an adjusted grading scale. If an applicant took the ACT prior to 1989, his/ her score must be adjusted to meet the new enhanced version scores. Consult the Office of Admissions for the correct conversion. ACT is not required for admission to Rhodes; however, sub-scores may be used to meet established course prerequisites.

Processing

Once the application has been received, the student will be notified regarding their admission and next steps in the enrollment process.

Placement Testing

Prior to registration in courses with a prerequisite of mathematics, reading, and/or writing or science, course prerequisites must be met. Course placement will be guided by the prerequisites identified in the course descriptions in this catalog. College Readiness (Transitions) courses taught by ASPIRE instructors may serve as a prerequisite to developmental math and reading courses (for more information on ASPIRE, contact the Tutoring Center).

ACCUPLACER is one measure used for placement into mathematics, science, and reading courses. ACCUPLACER does not function like a

typical test because there is no "passing" score. This placement test measures current skill level and identifies the best place to start.

Students may be exempted from some or all placement testing if at least one of the following conditions applies:

- The student is a former Rhodes State College student with qualifying placement scores on file from less than two years ago.
- The student has submitted qualifying placement scores from another college or university to the Office of Admissions.
- The student has submitted official college transcripts showing successful completion of appropriate college-level mathematics and/ or writing courses with a B grade or higher.
- The student has submitted a copy of ACT/SAT test scores to the Office of Admissions and, based on specific sub-scores, has met requirements.
- The Dean of the Division in which the course is housed approves enrollment in one or more courses for personal self-enrichment.