

Benefits

Increase your options by earning college credit or advanced standing —

- Move into upper-level courses in your field of interest
- Pursue a double major or a BA/MA program
- Gain time to study or travel abroad

Learn valuable skills -

- Learn to manage your time
- Strengthen your ability to handle pressure situations

Receive an AP award -

- Provides college credit for courses taken in high school

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Center Grove AP Course Offerings For 2015-16

**** AP English Literature and Composition***

**** AP English Language and Composition***

AP Studio Art Drawing

AP Studio Art 2-D and 3-D

**** AP Calculus AB***

**** AP Calculus BC***

**** AP Statistics***

**** AP Biology***

**** AP Chemistry***

**** AP Physics C Mechanics***

**** AP Computer Science***

**** AP Environmental Science***

AP Spanish Language

AP French Language (2014-2015)

AP Macroeconomics

AP Microeconomics

AP World History

AP US History

AP European History

AP Psychology

AP United States Government & Politics

AP United States History

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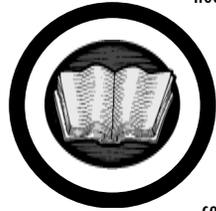
***AP
Advanced
Placement***



General Information

What is AP? AP® or Advanced Placement can change your life. Through college-level AP courses, you enter a universe of knowledge that might otherwise remain unexplored in high school; through AP Exams, you have the opportunity to earn credit or advanced standing at most of the nation's colleges and universities, as well as colleges and universities in 21 other countries.

Why participate? With 34 courses and exams in 19 subject areas, AP offers something for everyone. The only requirements are a strong curiosity about the subject you plan to study and the willingness to work hard.



Here are just a few reasons to sign up:

Gain the edge in college preparation—Get a head start on exactly the sort of work you will confront in college. Improve your writing skills and sharpen your problem-solving techniques. Develop the study habits necessary for taking rigorous coursework.

Stand out in the college admissions process— Demonstrate your maturity and readiness for college. Show your willingness to push yourself to the limit. Emphasize your commitments to academic excellence.

Broaden your intellectual horizons—Explore the world from a variety of perspectives, most importantly your own. Study subjects in greater depth and detail. Assume the responsibility of reasoning, analyzing, and understanding for yourself.

How do I enroll? - Once you've decided to take the AP challenge, it's easy to enroll: See your guidance counselor for scheduling.

Exam Basics—AP Exams represent the culmination of AP courses, and are thus an integral part of the Program. As a result, many schools foster the expectation that students who enroll in an AP course will go on to take the corresponding AP Exam. The College Board does not require students to take an AP course prior to taking an AP Exam.

Why take the exams? - The intensity of college exams catches far too many freshmen by surprise. Taking the AP Exams will give you a clear understanding of what you need to do to succeed on a college exam. Your work will be evaluated by professors and trained consultants using college-level standards. If you are worried about how well you will do, remember—you risk nothing by taking the exams. You determine which colleges (if any) receive your AP Exam grades.

Measuring up to the best students in the world—

A study by the TIMSS (Third International Mathematics and Science Study) Center shows that AP students rank with the best math and science students in the world. AP Calculus students with grades of 3 or better on the AP Exams outperform advanced or honors students from each of the 18 countries that participated in the study. AP Physics students were almost as impressive. Those who received an AP Exam grade of 3 or better on the AP Physics B or C Exams performed as well as Physics students from the top performing nations of Norway, Sweden, and the Russian Federation.

Preparing for future success—

Answers in the Toolbox, a recent study by the U.S. Department of Education, agrees that a high school program of high academic intensity and quality — precisely the kind offered by AP — is one of the most reliable predictors of college success. The study found that 85 percent of high school students who took AP courses continued their education after high school, and that taking AP courses contributed to students' ability to complete their degree requirements. Essentially, the AP program enhances the academic skills and expectations needed for college courses.

