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ADVANCED PLACEMENT & COLLEGE COURSES

PARENT & GUARDIAN INFORMATION
SESSION

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WELCOME FAMILIES!




EWING
HIGH
SCHOOL

Current AP students and parents
Prospective AP students and parents



Tonight:

- Learn about Advanced Placement, Honors and Dual Enrollment opportunities and resources
- Discuss what students and parents/guardians can do to build readiness for rigorous, college-level coursework
- Introduce how growth mindset can help us build readiness



What is Advanced Placement (AP)?

With AP, students can take high level coursework in high school.

College admissions officers widely recognize this coursework as illustrative of readiness for college!

Our resourceful and dedicated AP teachers work with their students to develop and apply the skills they will need in college!


The AP exams are an essential part of the AP experience!

DEPENDING ON
COLLEGE AND
PROGRAM,
PERFORMING WELL
ON THE AP EXAM
CAN YIELD:

1. course credit at college
2. advanced placement into courses
3. both

GET
AHEAD





WHAT ARE THE IMPORTANT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN HONORS AND AP CLASSES?

Honors Classes tend to be more rigorous and accelerated than CCP courses. They tend to reflect the vision of an individual teacher or school leader.

They do not follow a nation-wide or standardized curriculum.

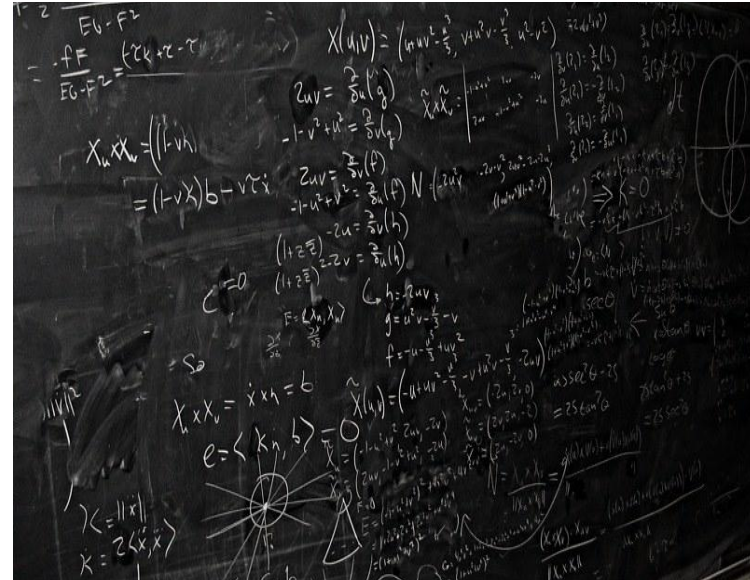
AP classes follow a prescribed curriculum in line with comparable college-level offerings. they tend to be more rigorous than typical Honors offerings.

AP classes are weighted heavier than Honors or CCP classes.

OTHER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- “What is the difference between taking an AP class instead of taking a Dual Enrollment college course from MCCC, Rider, or TCNJ?”
- “I’m a senior and my college or program doesn’t accept AP course credit. Why should I still take the test?”
- “If I don’t do well on an AP exam, can I retake it next year?”
- How do college admission departments view taking the AP course but not the exam?

WHY AP?



AP AT EWING HIGH SCHOOL, 2022-2023

- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Drawing
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition
- AP Environmental Science
- AP European History
- AP Human Geography
- AP Spanish Language and Culture
- AP Statistics
- AP U.S. Government and Politics
- AP US History
- **Deadline to register for the AP exam is 11/11.**



PREREQUISITES

- Minimum grade of an 80% in the preceding Honors course
- 90% in preceding CCP course
- Motivated to complete assignments Outside of class time
- Interested in learning how to organize their time to and effort to successfully Complete course
- Course specific information available in Our EHS Course catalog,
<http://www.ewing.k12.nj.us/Page/1894>

WHAT CAN PARENTS & GUARDIANS DO?



**ASK YOUR
COUNSELOR FOR
MORE INFORMATION!**

- Help your child to organize their time and effort to successfully complete the AP course.
- Encourage your child to talk with their teachers if they fall behind or need more support.
- Be mindful of the deadline to register & the test dates.
- Take advantage of available AP study guide, AP Classroom resources, and AP Study Sessions.

RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

AP EXAM!

- AP exam - ZERO cost to families
- Spring tutorial sessions with AP teachers
- FREE AP Study Resource - Subject Area
- Prep Book

AP Student Resources:

<http://apstudents.collegeboard.org/>

2022-23 AP EXAM CALENDAR

WEEK 1

Monday, May 1, 2023 8am, US. Government and Politics

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 8am, Environmental Science

Wednesday, May 3, 2023 8am, English Literature and Comp

Thursday, May 4, 2023 8am, Human Geography

Thursday, May 4, 2023 12pm, Statistics

Friday, May 5, 2023 8am, European History AP

Friday, May 5, 2023 8am, US History AP

Art and Design: Friday, May 5, 2023 (8 p.m. ET), is the deadline for AP Art and Design digital portfolios to be submitted to the AP Program.



Monday, May 8, 2023, 8am, Calculus AB
Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 8am, English Language and Composition
Wednesday, May 11, 2023, 8am, Spanish Language and Culture
Wednesday, May 11, 2023, 12pm, Biology

WEEK 2



Dual Enrollment Courses

- EHS College Course - Gr 11 and 12 S2 only
- Dual Enrollment college courses - TCNJ, Rider (3.75 GPA) MCCC (3.5 GPA)
- Course specific information available in Our EHS Course catalog, <http://www.ewing.k12.nj.us/Page/1894>
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LET'S SEE WHAT SOME OF OUR AP TEACHERS HAVE TO SAY!



EXPERTS!

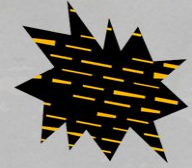
Intro to AP Art and Design

Just the basics of what you need to know to get started



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WHAT GOES ON IN AN AP CLASS?



AP Art and Design is an advanced placement course with college level expectations. In this course, you will spend the entire year creating art for a portfolio that you'll submit to College Board for credit. There is no test in this course. The portfolio is the end goal. A large portion of your portfolio art will be tied together with one unifying investigation of an inquiry that you'll choose.

As an AP Art and Design student, you'll develop and apply skills of inquiry and investigation, practice, experimentation, revision, communication, and reflection (both visual and written).

-Mrs. Lisa Daidone

What goes on in an AP class?

- Statistics are used in our everyday lives and help keep us informed about the world around us!
- AP Statistics is an introductory statistics course about collecting, organizing, interpreting and drawing conclusions from data. Students will learn how to effectively conduct research, evaluate data, and develop critical and analytical skills.
- AP Statistics can help prepare students for college majors like criminal justice, aerospace engineering, meteorology, economics, medical and so many more!
- Formula sheets and tables are provided for the AP Exam, so students do not need to worry about memorizing all the formulas.
- Acceptable graphing calculator:
 - TI-84 Plus CE (highly recommended)
 - TI-84 Plus
- This course is offered at EHS as a 1-semester course in the Fall.
- You can take this course concurrently with AP Calculus.

AP STATISTICS



A P Biology

Challenge students to take responsibility for learning

Prepare students to learn to be independent thinkers with effective skills and study habits

2 semesters of college level biology

Experimental design, data analysis

Lab investigations including genetic engineering, cellular respiration

HOW CAN MY CHILD BUILD COLLEGE READINESS THROUGH THEIR SELECTION OF CLASSES?

Take challenging courses

- College Prep, Honors and AP coursework can all provide a foundation to build college readiness.
- Colleges look at the grade earned in courses AND the rigor/level of difficulty. They want to see that the student has challenged themselves.
- If your child pursues advanced courses, such as AP they may be able to get college credit

Get Help and Think Broadly

- Encourage your child to talk with their teachers if they fall behind or need more support.
- Help your child consider beyond if a class is difficult or interesting.
- Consider if the class could build readiness for college in general or in a particular program of study.

HOW CAN MY CHILD BUILD COLLEGE READINESS THROUGH THEIR HABITS?

Resilience

Working through difficult moments in the class

Accessing sources of support when needed.

Flexibility

Learning to match our studying methods to what the instruction of the course

Staying ahead of the assessments & assignments

Asking for help

HELPING YOUR CHILD DEVELOP A GROWTH MINDSET TOWARDS PSATS

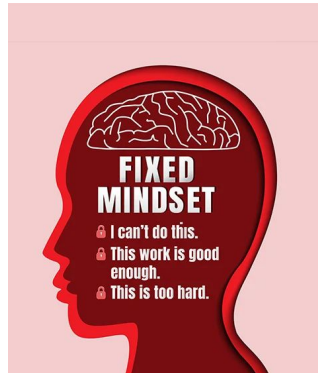
- **Growth Mindset:** Method of thought where success comes from constant personal development
- **Different From Fixed Mindset**
 - **Fixed Mindset:** Notion that talent and intelligence is something a person either has or doesn't
- **Ways to Develop a Growth Mindset**
 - Embracing Challenges
 - Reflect on the Past
 - Notice How They Speak
 - Incorporate "Yet" Into Vocabulary
 - Alter Attitude
 - Enjoy the Journey



DANGERS OF FIXED MINDSET VS BENEFITS OF GROWTH MINDSET

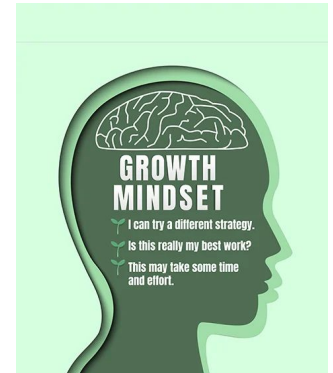
Fixed Mindset

- Increases Feelings of Insecurity
- Hyper-Focus on Perfection
- Lack of Growth



Growth Mindset

- Better Academic Performance
- Develop Enhanced Appreciation Towards Learning
- Foster Growth Outside the Classroom



LET'S HEAR FROM THE TRUE EXPERTS!

Nicholas Benedetti
Elizabeth Stoner
Wael Majdoul



QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS?

Remember: The Advanced Placement program is only one way we can provide an early college experience for students and build college readiness.

REFERENCES

The College Board, AP Program Guide, 2022-2023
EHS Course Catalog, 2022-2023