

Lakewood High School Advanced Placement Agreement 2017/2018

Lakewood High School is pleased to offer the following Advanced Placement courses:

AP English Lang & Comp, AP English Lit and Comp, AP Calculus AB and BC, AP Statistics, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Physics, AP Environmental Science, AP US History, AP European History, AP World History, AP Psychology, AP Microeconomics, AP Macroeconomics, AP Government & Politics, AP Music Theory, AP Spanish, AP French, AP Studio Art/Drawing-2D, and AP Computer Science.

Lakewood High School strongly recommends that prospective AP students earn an "A" grade for the previous two semesters in a non-honors course or receive an "A" or "B" in honors courses for the previous two semesters. As a student in an AP course, you should expect a fast-paced class, material that is at a higher analytical level, and nightly homework. AP courses are demanding and can be labor intensive. Students should consider their complete schedule and their extra-curricular activities when choosing to enroll in AP courses. If a student wishes to take more than three AP classes, a student must have a conference with an LHS counselor and receive a signature of approval from the counselor. AP courses are designed for the entire year. Only in the rarest occasion would a student move from an AP class during the school year and only after first semester if space is available. If a senior chooses to withdraw from an AP Course at semester, an exception letter will be sent to any college or university to which you have applied. This notifies a college or university that you have changed your schedule. A college or university may revisit your application or acceptance based on this information, so please make your decision wisely.

Colleges and universities only give credit or placement for qualifying AP Exam scores, not AP course grades. By District Policy, all AP courses are weighted on a 5 point scale. Students can expect a rigorous approach to grading, so an "A" in an Advanced Placement course represents exceptional work at an advanced level. Students may be responsible for the purchase of books and materials for each AP course. Students may also have summer assignments for their AP courses; and it is the responsibility of the student to check the teacher's website for this information. A student may not be allowed to change his or her fall schedule based upon an incomplete summer assignment.

In order to enroll in an AP course, current Lakewood students must obtain a teacher signature (initials next to the course) from their current or past teacher in that academic discipline on their course registration form. Incoming Lakewood students (9th grade and transfer) should adhere to the guidelines above with regard to previous grades and have a conversation with their current teacher when deciding to take an accelerated course. In both cases, a parent signature is also required on the registration form.

Student Name (printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

*Counselor/Admin Signature (more than three classes): _____

(This form must be signed and attached to your LHS registration form before you may be enrolled in any AP class(es).)