

FAQ Advanced Placement Program - AP

What is the Advanced Placement Program?

Advanced Placement (AP) is a global program created by the College Board which offers college-level curricula and examinations to high school students. American colleges and universities may grant placement and course credit to students who obtain a passing score on the examinations. The AP curriculum for each of the various subjects is created for the College Board by a panel of experts and college-level educators in that field of study. For a high school course to have the designation, the course must be audited by the College Board to ascertain that it satisfies the AP curriculum. If the course is approved, the school may use the AP designation and the course will be publicly listed on the AP Course Ledger.¹

Advanced Placement Program Eligibility

There are no eligibility requirements to enroll in an AP course.

Advanced Placement Courses Offerings for BCPS Students:

AP Art History	AP Macro Economics
AP Biology	AP Micro Economics
AP Calculus AB	AP Music Theory
AP Calculus BC	AP Physics 1
AP Chemistry	AP Physics 2
AP Chinese	AP Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism
AP Comparative Government	AP Physics C: Mechanics
AP Computer Science A	AP Psychology
AP Computer Science Principles	AP Research
AP English Language	AP Seminar
AP English Literature	AP Spanish Language
AP Environmental Science	AP Spanish Literature
AP European History	AP Statistics
AP French	AP Studio Art: 2-D
AP German*	AP Studio Art: 3-D
AP Human Geography	AP Studio Art: Drawing
AP Italian	AP U.S. Government
AP Japanese	AP U.S. History
AP Latin	AP World History

Please check with individual high schools for specific courses offered.

Students who did not take the course may sit for an AP exam at their expense (\$93)

Benefits

There are no limits on the number of AP courses a student can take.

There is no cost to the student.

College credit for students who pass an AP exam with a score of 3 or higher.

The high rigor of Advanced Placement courses.

Advanced Placement courses are accepted by U.S. and international universities.

The large number of Advanced Placement course offerings.

The AP Capstone diplomas is recognized worldwide by colleges and universities.