

The *Advanced Placement Program*

North Forsyth High School



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Components of the AP Program

- ▶ AP Classes

- ▶ AP Exams

AP Classes

- ▶ College level classes that students take while attending high school
- ▶ Taught by teachers who have received AP training
- ▶ Classes are taken over the course of one year

AP Exams

- ▶ Students pay to take an AP exam. Exams are administered during the month of May.
- ▶ All students throughout the nation/world take the same AP exams on the same date and time.
- ▶ Students earn a score between 1 and 5.
- ▶ Students who earn a 3, 4, or 5 most likely will receive college credit; however, each university has its own requirements. Check the university's website.

AP Exams

- ▶ Each exam has a multiple choice portion and a free response portion.
- ▶ Exams are given on a strict schedule and under timed conditions.
- ▶ The longest exam is 3 hours and 25 minutes (without break); the shortest exam is 2 hours (without break)

How Are AP Exams Scored

- ▶ Teachers and college professors meet over a ten day period in the summer and score the exams.
- ▶ Scores are provided to students during early July.

How Are AP Classes Calculated in GPA?

- ▶ Students receive 1 quality point for an AP class
 - For example, a student who makes an A in an AP class will see a 5.0 in GPA calculation.
 - A student who makes a B in an AP class will see a 4.0 in GPA calculation.

How are AP classes calculated for the HOPE Scholarship.

- ▶ For HOPE, students receive .5, except students earning an A.
 - A = 4.0
 - B = 3.5
 - C = 2.5

Why should students take an AP class?

- ▶ Rigor for college admissions – by taking the classes (Students are acknowledged for taking the class and the grade earned – AP exam scores are not part of the admissions criteria)
- ▶ A chance to earn college credit while in high school – by taking the AP exams

Why should students take an AP class?

- Explore advanced topics -- study in greater depth
- Develop advanced skills -- form disciplined study habits
- Build confidence in capability to succeed in college
- Allows students to face academic challenges while having parental/teacher support
- Students learn valuable study skills as well as the importance of participating in study groups

The Rewards of AP

- ▶ Opportunity to earn college credit or advanced placement
 - Possible tuition savings
 - Flexibility in college course choice
 - Early entry to graduate/professional schools

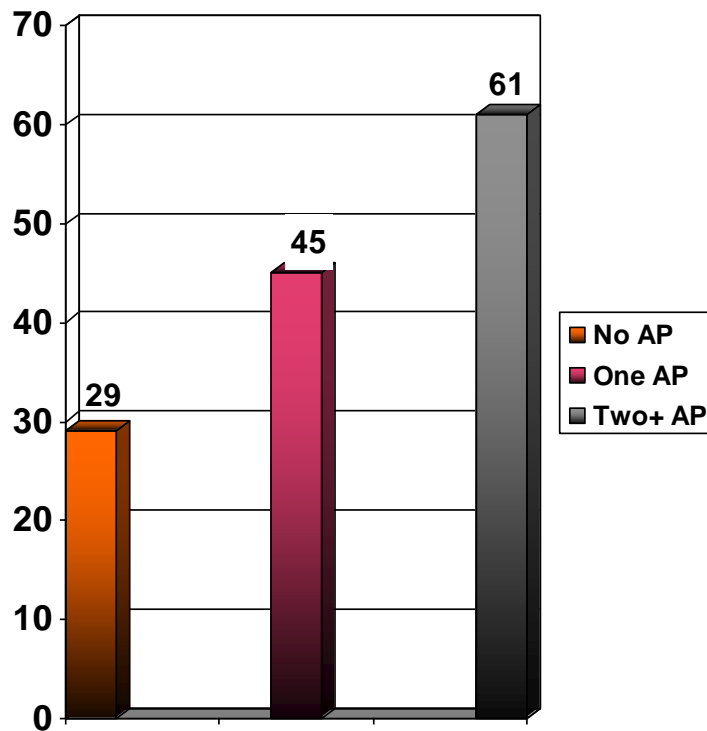
Why Do Colleges Like the AP Program

- ▶ Common curriculum across the nation – equal playing field
- ▶ Standardized assessments each year that are the same for all students
- ▶ Students are better prepared for academic rigor of college

Why do high schools offer AP classes?

- ▶ Why do high schools offer college classes or AP classes?
 - Improves quality of the curriculum
 - Keeps students motivated and challenged
 - Provides educators with nationally-normed feedback
 - Raises rigor of academics
 - Provides our students with opportunities to get into colleges

AP and College Success™



Students who take AP® courses and exams are much more likely than their peers to complete a bachelor's degree in four years or less.

Source: College Board (2016)

College Admissions Information

- ▶ 85% of selective colleges and universities report that a student's AP experience favorable impacts admissions decisions.
- ▶ 31% percent of colleges and universities consider a student's AP experience when making decisions about which students receive scholarships.

What Counts in College Admissions?

- ▶ Strength of curriculum and courses taken
- ▶ Student's grades in college prep classes
- ▶ Class Rank
- ▶ Standardized Test Scores (ACT and SAT)
- ▶ Overall GPA
- ▶ Admissions essays (counts more in smaller colleges)
- ▶ Recommendations from teachers and counselors
- ▶ Extracurricular Activities
- ▶ Interviews

What Counts in College Admissions?

- ▶ **Grades in college prep courses: 84.3%**
- ▶ **Strength of curriculum: 67.7%**
- ▶ **Admission test scores (SAT/ACT): 59.2%**
- ▶ **Grades in all courses: 51.9%**
- ▶ **Essay or writing sample: 24.9%**
- ▶ **Counselor recommendation: 19.2%**
- ▶ **Class Rank: 18.8%**
- ▶ **Teacher recommendation: 16.5%**

- ▶ **% citing “Most Important for College Application”**

Entrance Statistics for UGA Freshman Class of 2019

- ▶ 29,308 Applications – 13,225 Accepted
- ▶ 5,515 in freshman class (84% from Georgia)
- ▶ 6 to 11 AP Courses
- ▶ GPA: 3.95 – 4.2
- ▶ ACT: 30 - 34 (36 is perfect score)
- ▶ 99% of all incoming freshman took at least one AP class

Entrance Statistics for GA Tech Freshman Class of 2019

- ▶ 36,926 Applications – 3,105 enrolled
- ▶ Accepted rates (40% in state and 16% out of state)
- ▶ 8 to 13 AP Courses
- ▶ GPA: 4.0 or higher
- ▶ ACT: 31 to 34 (36 is perfect score)
- ▶ SAT: 1400 to 1530 (1600 is perfect score)

Number of AP Course Offerings

- ▶ CTAE - 2
- ▶ English - 2
- ▶ Foreign Language - 3
- ▶ Fine Arts - 4
- ▶ Math - 3
- ▶ Science - 5
- ▶ Social Studies – 7
- ▶ Total 26

AP Courses

▶ English

- AP Language
- AP Literature

▶ Science

- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Environmental
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics C

AP Courses

▶ Mathematics

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics

▶ CTAE

- AP Computer Principles
- AP Computer Science A

AP Courses

- ▶ **Social Studies**
 - AP Government
 - AP Human Geography
 - AP Macroeconomics
 - AP Microeconomics
 - AP Psychology
 - AP US History
 - AP World History

AP Courses

▶ Fine Arts

- AP Music Theory
- AP Studio: 2D
- AP Studio: 3D
- AP Photography

▶ World Language

- AP Latin
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Spanish Literature

Sequence of Courses

9th Grade Options

- ▶ **Human Geography**
- ▶ **Computer Science Principles ***

Sequence of Courses

- ▶ **10th grade** – World History, *Psychology, Computer Science, Biology, Human Geography, Environmental Science
- ▶ **11th and 12th grades** – various course offerings

*requires application

Why should I take AP Human Geography?

It is the only AP class designed for freshman students.

It teaches the skills to be successful in future AP classes.

The exam is 2 hours and 10 minutes – the AP World exam is 3 hours and 15 minutes.

Colleges do give credit for this class – often as a humanities elective.

Characteristics of Successful AP Students

- ▶ Motivated
- ▶ Can manage time
- ▶ Attends school regularly
- ▶ Able to read and understand concepts and ideas
- ▶ Able to express ideas (written and verbally)
- ▶ Is willing to do homework on the weekend
- ▶ Is not overly committed

AP 2D Art and Design
AP 3D Art and Design
AP 2D Art and Design- Photography

AP Studio Art classes are recommended for Seniors. And usually we encourage them to have taken 3 previous visual art courses. A student of another grade level can take the course but would need to submit a portfolio, get approval, and be very motivated. Also, it is advised to only take this art class during the AP year.

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AP 2D ART AND DESIGN

AP 2D ART AND DESIGN- PHOTOGRAPHY

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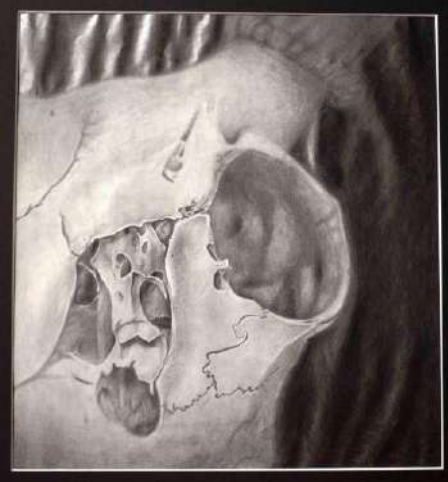
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AP 2D Studio Assignments





AP Photo

Assignments



NFHS Bell Schedule

North Forsyth High School Bell Schedule 2019- 2020

Period	Monday	Period	Tuesday	Period	Wednesday	Period	Thursday	Period	Friday
1	8:25- 9:11	1	8:25- 9:11	2	8:25-9:55	1	8:25-9:55	1	8:25- 9:11
2	9:17-10:03	2	9:17-10:03					2	9:17-10:03
Raider Time	10:09-10:46	Raider Time	10:09-10:46	Raider Time	10:01-10:57	Raider Time	10:01-10:27	Raider Time	10:09-10:46
3	10:52-11:38	3	10:52-11:38	WW (SEL)	11:03-12:03	3	10:33-12:03	3	10:52-11:38
4/lunch	11:44-1:04	4/lunch	11:44-1:04					4/lunch	11:44-1:04
5	1:10-1:56	5	1:10-1:56	4/lunch	12:09-2:04	5/lunch	12:09-2:04	5	1:10-1:56
6	2:02-2:48	6	2:02-2:48					6	2:02-2:48
7	2:54-3:40	7	2:54-3:40	6	2:10-3:40	7	2:10-3:40	7	2:54-3:40



AP Study Nights and AP Practice Exam

AP Celebrations



National AP
Website

▶ AP Central

▶ <http://apcentral.collegeboard.com>

Frequently Asked Questions



Can my student try an AP class and then drop the course in September?



Can you tell me tonight if my child should take an AP course?



What is the difference between Dual Enrollment and AP classes?

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Announcements

- ▶ Counseling is in cafeteria to answer questions about scheduling during all sessions.

Upcoming Events



Rise Up Raider Class of 2024

MARCH 7, 2020

9 AM until 11:30 AM

Rise Up Raider Day

Saturday, March 7th

9 AM to 11:30 AM

Pathway Exploration
Registration Information
Club, Athletic & Organization Information

Parent & Student
Information Sessions

Sessions

- ▶ Session 1- 6:45 to 7:05
- ▶ Session 2- 7:10 to 7:30
- ▶ Session 3- 7:35 to 7:55

Department	Location	Specific Courses
CTAE	254	AP Computer Science Principles
Science	253	AP Biology
Science	257	AP Environmental Science
Social Studies	The Hub Main Room	AP Human Geography
Social Studies	The Hub College and Career Center	AP Human Geography
Social Studies	228	AP Psychology
Social Studies	213	AP World History