

Welcome to AP Info Night at River City High School!



Welcome

- River City High School is committed to every student's success.
- We believe access to rigorous coursework, such as Advanced Placement® (AP®) plays an important role in that success.



Tonight's Objectives

- Explore the benefits of taking AP®
 Courses at River City High School and the future benefits for college and career
- Discuss AP® Courses and Expectations at River City High School
- Meet your future AP[®] Teachers



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What Are Advanced Placement® Courses?

Advanced Placement ®: The Basics

- AP® courses are rigorous college-level courses offered in high school
- Courses reflect what is taught in top introductory college courses
- Students take AP Exams in May, measuring their mastery of college-level work
- A score of 3 or higher on an AP Exam may earn students college credit and/or placement into advanced courses in college



River City High School's Current AP® Courses

- Arts: Studio Art: 2-D Design Portfolio
- English: English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition
- History and Social Sciences: World History,, United States Government and Politics, United States History
- Mathematics and Computer Science: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Computer Science Principles, Computer Science A, Statistics
- Sciences: Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- World languages: Chinese Language and Culture, French Language and Culture, Spanish Language and Culture



AP® at River City High School

- 940 students at River City High School are enrolled in AP courses during the 2019-2020 school year, which is an increase by over 162 students from the previous year
- 453 AP exams were taken last year by our students
- 64% of our students scored a 3 or higher on AP exams last year





AP®: The Benefits

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- Students learn rigorous college-level content and skills
- Taking AP is valued in the college admission process
- AP courses are interesting and rewarding academic experiences
- Opportunity to earn valuable credit and placement in college



AP®: Skills & Advantages that Last a Lifetime

- Taking an AP course helps students build critical thinking skills, confidence, and the essential time management and study skills needed for college success
- Nationally, research shows that students who score
 a 3 or higher on an AP Exam typically earn higher
 grade point averages in college and have higher
 graduation rates than their non-AP peers*

*2009, The College Board, "The Relationship Between AP Exam Performance and College Outcomes"



AP® Helps Students Graduate on Time & Save Money

- Students who take AP courses and exams are much more likely to complete a college degree on time.*
 Graduating in four years represents a significant savings on the cost of college.
- Only 1 in 4 college students completes a bachelor's degree in 4 years.
- The average cost of college for a single year is \$23,410** for in-state schools (tuition, fees, room/board, misc. expenses).

*College Outcomes Comparisons by AP and Non-AP High School Experiences, *The College Board, 2008***The College Board, Trends in College Pricing 2014, Figure 1



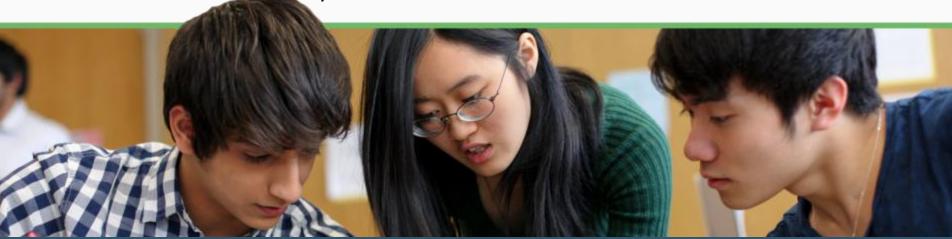


AP® Expands Students' Options

When students earn college credit through AP Exams, their options and opportunities expand:

- Move to upper-level college courses sooner
- Save money not having to take some introductory-level college courses
- Pursue a double major

Gain time to study and travel abroad







AP® Exams

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AP Exams are administered by schools worldwide on set dates in May each year.

- Exams are usually at least 3 hours and include:
 - Multiple-choice questions

 Free-response items such as essays, problem solving, document-based questions and oral response





Credit and Placement Opportunities

Each college and university has its own policies regarding AP® credit and placement. The College Board offers information about AP credit at thousands of college and universities at www.collegeboard.org/apcreditpolicy.



- Search by school name or alphabetically
- Data for each school includes a direct link to that school's Web page detailing AP credit and placement policies
- A statement from the college or university about its AP policy

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River City High School AP® Expectations



AP® Expectations at River City High School

- AP classes fulfill graduation and A-G requirements that students need in order to graduate and/or qualify for four-year universities.
- Weighted grades are conferred to students who pass an AP class with a grade of C or higher.
- Take some time to consider, decisions to enroll for the 2020-2021 school year need to be made by the end February 2020



AP Contract at RCHS

Student Name	I D#
Advanced Placement Course Contract	
Please read the following statements carefully. Your abide by the statements and terms below:	r signature indicates that you understand and agree to
qualify for four-year universities. Be aware that time to make up necessary credits. Weighted grades will only be conferred to stude Grades of C- and lower will not be conferred the Students wishing to drop an AP course must: 1) Straessler only; and 3) have a parent/teacher course the typical student who benefits from AP classes appropriate for many high school students, and for the increased workload. Highly motivated. Self-directed. Well-organized.	do so by the 2nd Friday the term; 2) go through Ms. onference. es demonstrates the qualities below. AP coursework is not i may overwhelm those who are not sufficiently prepared Has post-secondary goal(s) 3.33 or higher GPA in core classes.
 Works productively with others. Minimal behavioral problems. Proficient with basic technology. 	 Grade of B in preceding subject-area class. 90%+ attendance.
AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics AP Statistics AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Computer Science Principles AP Computer Science A	AP English Language & Composition (Grade 11) AP English Literature & Composition (Grade 12) AP European History AP U.S. History AP U.S. Government AP French Language & Culture AP Spanish Language & Culture AP Studio Art 2D Design
Print name of parent/guardian	_, parent of Print name of student
I have read and understand the policies outlined above of student at River City High School.	and agree to their terms as they apply to my child as an AP
Parent signature	Date
I have read and understand the policies autlined above of River City High School.	and agree to their terms as they apply to me as an AP student at





Questions



Meet Your Future AP Teachers