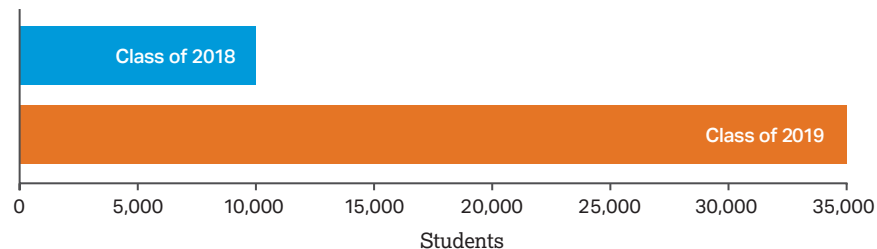


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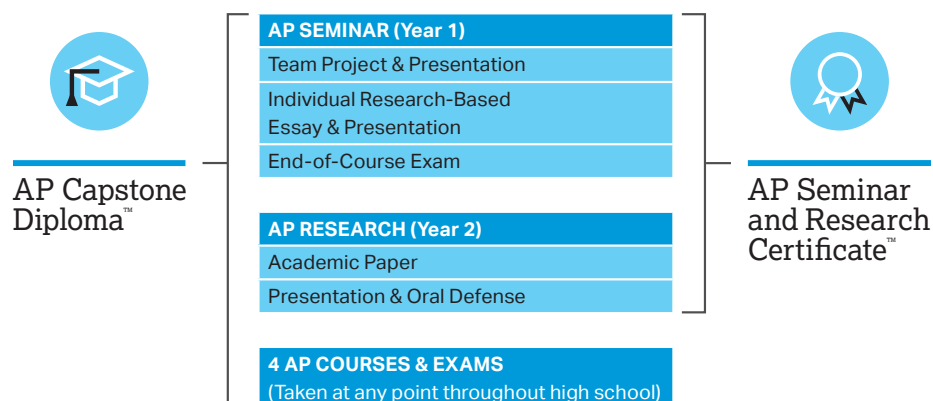
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HERE ARE SIX THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT AP CAPSTONE:

- 1 **Over 1,000 high schools** in the U.S. (1,100 globally) are approved to offer AP Capstone.
- 2 **More than 10,000 students** in the high school class of 2018 and **35,000 students** in the high school class of 2019 will participate in the AP Capstone Diploma program.



- 3 AP Capstone is based on **two sequential college-level courses**—AP Seminar and AP Research—that complement and enhance other, discipline-specific AP courses.
- 4 AP Seminar students **analyze different sources of information** and **create evidence-based arguments**, and are assessed on individual and team presentations and papers.
- 5 AP Research students learn research methods in order to conduct a research project and then **present and defend a 5,000-word academic paper**.
- 6 The **AP Capstone Diploma** is awarded to students who earn scores of 3 or higher on AP Seminar, AP Research, and four additional AP Exams of their own choosing.



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