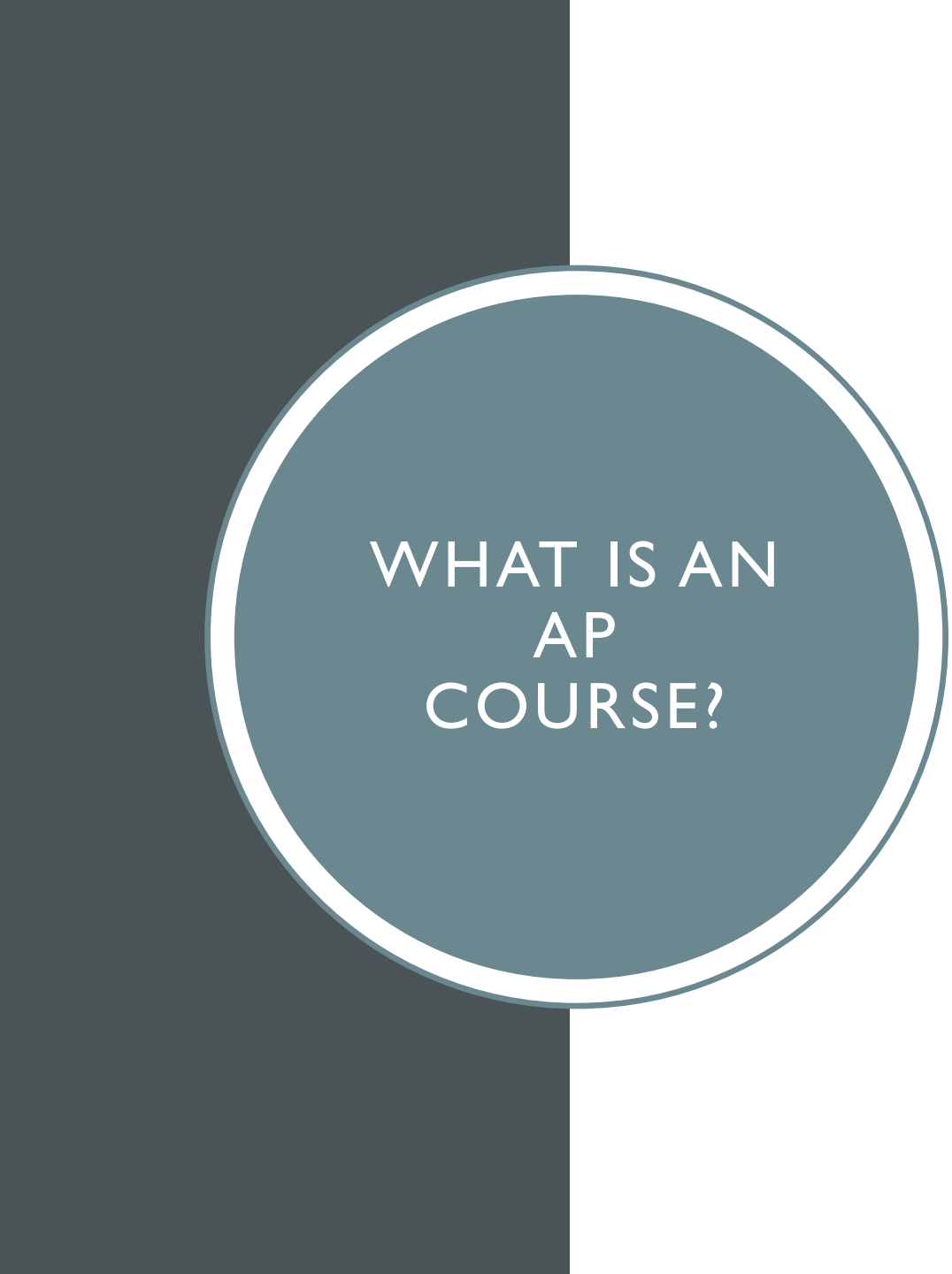


COURSE SCHEDULING PARENT MEETING

2/27/2023



WHAT IS AN AP COURSE?

- Advanced Placement courses are designed by the College Board organization to offer rigorous and challenging curriculum at the college level.
- An exam produced by the College Board is given in each class at the end of the year.
- Each exam is given a score from 1-5.



WHY AP?

The advantages of taking AP classes and exams

- To provide challenging coursework that helps students reach their potential
- To prepare students for the college-level workload and develop college-level academic skills
- To earn credit for college courses
 - Many colleges provide college credit for achieving certain scores on AP exams. The score requirements for credit vary according to university policies.
- To save time and money in college



WHY AP?

The advantages of taking AP classes and exams

- To provide evidence of “Academic Rigor” which is part of the college admission and scholarship process
 - Colleges want to see that students are embracing challenging courses for admission and scholarship purposes
- To boost GPA—2 GPA points are provided in AP courses
 - If a student earns an 80 in the course, that is translated as a 3.0 GPA. With the additional points added, the GPA for that course is 5.0
- To receive merit-based financial aid based on specific university merit-based scholarship offerings



AP COURSE OFFERINGS

- AP English 11
- AP English 12
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP United States History
- AP World History
- AP Government and Politics
- AP Economics
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Studio Art
- AP Music Theory
- AP Latin IV
- AP Spanish Language



AP
APPLICATION
PROCESS

1. See the AP Enrollment Application
2. Check prerequisites
3. Provide needed information and signatures
 - Signatures should be included from a student's current teacher in that discipline as well as the current AP teacher of the course
4. Provide other requested information (research paper grade, course grade, writing sample)
5. Students can ask their current teachers to determine what courses are best for them for next year.



AP EXAM POLICIES

Important information about Advanced Placement classes and testing

- Students must make a final grade of 80 or above in the AP class to sit for the AP exam. Students making a 79 or below will not sit for the AP exam but will take an equivalent final exam.
- Students will be billed \$50 for each AP class through FACTS in September. Students will be billed an additional \$65 in Spring for each AP test. This covers all testing expenses.