

## AP COURSE INFORMATION

Course Name	In-Class Work	Out-of-Class Work	Daily Homework Load
<b>AP English Language and Composition (Juniors)</b>	Discussions of readings and issues; Practice with writing skills; Timed in-class essays; Analyses and critiques of essays	Reading Note-taking Essay writing Analyses and critiques of essays	30 mins.
<b>AP English Literature and Composition (Seniors)</b>	Socratic-seminar style discussions; Journal and in-class essay writing	Reading Revising essays Poetry Writing	1 hour
<b>AP World History (Sophomores)</b>	Discussions of content, small and large group; AP Skills Work (historical thinking, historical reasoning); AP Style Writing (SAQ, DBQ, LEQ); AP Style Stimulus-Based Multiple Choice	Reading Note-taking AP Classroom	Initial: 45/60 min.  Ongoing: 30/45 min.
<b>AP US History (Juniors)</b>	Small and Large Group Discussions; Lectures; Group Work; AP Skills Practice and AP Style Writing Practice	1 Textbook Chapter & Reading Guide Per Week	30 minutes
<b>AP Economics (Seniors)</b>	MC and FRQ practice typically with partner/group; Graphing practice	AP Classroom Not very much homework	15 minutes
<b>AP Government</b>	Small and Large Group Discussions; Lectures; Group Work; AP Skills Practice and AP Style Writing Practice; Practice Multiple Choice Questions	Generally 1 textbook chapter and one additional assignment a week. Tests or quizzes about every 1.5-2 weeks	30 minutes
<b>AP Physics 1 &amp; AP Physics C</b>	Class discussions, small group work and problem solving, hands on lab investigations, AP practice	Completing classwork if unfinished, weekly problem set, AP Classroom test prep	30 minutes
<b>AP Chemistry</b>	Class discussions; small group work; lectures & note taking; lab experiments and activities; AP problem practice; unit tests	Completing assigned homework for the day. Completing the post lab report. Homework is not assigned every day, usually 2-3 days/week	30 minutes
<b>AP Biology</b>	Hands on labs and activities; Practice assignments with AP prep built in	Completing classwork if unfinished and/or assigned reading.	30 minutes
<b>AP Computer Science A</b>	Coding Java in Code.org; JavaLab; Discuss recent CS and Tech Events and news; Individual and partner coding	AP Classroom test prep Finish labs not finished in class	15 minutes
<b>AP Statistics</b>	Small and Large Group Discussions; Lectures; Group Work; AP Practice Tests	Problem sets	30 minutes
<b>AP Calculus</b>	Small and Large Group Discussions; Lectures; Group Work; AP Practice Tests	Problem sets	30 minutes

## CHOOSING YOUR CLASSES

When choosing courses for the next year, consider the following:

- What is required for graduation? Check the course handbook for this information.  
Counselors go over this information during the class scheduling meetings in January every year.
- What is interesting to you? Consider the subjects and type of work you enjoy.
- What are your future plans? Talk with your counselor about courses that would best prepare you.
- What is your skill level? Talk with your teacher about placement.
- What is the time commitment? Check the AP Course Information or talk with the course teacher.

Use the following calculator to determine your daily time commitments:

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>TIME (per day)</u>
Sleep	_____
Physical Needs (eating, showering, etc.)	_____
School	7 hours
Travel (time in car or on bus)	_____
Time with friends and family	_____
Sports (practice and/or games)	_____
Clubs (meetings, volunteering, etc.)	_____
Hobbies (lessons, rehearsals, etc.)	_____
Homework	
Course 1 _____	_____
Course 2 _____	_____
Course 3 _____	_____
Course 4 _____	_____
Course 5 _____	_____
Free Time	_____
Other? _____	_____
<b>TOTAL TIME PER DAY</b>	_____