

Lakewood High School
Advanced Placement (AP) Agreement 2023 - 2024

Lakewood High School is pleased to offer the following Advanced Placement courses:

AP English Lang & Comp, AP English Lit and Comp, AP Calculus AB and BC, AP Statistics, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Physics 1, AP Physics C, AP Environmental Science, AP US History, AP Government and Politics, AP European History, AP World History, AP Psychology, AP Economics, AP Music Theory, AP Spanish, AP French, and AP Computer Science.

Lakewood High School strongly recommends that prospective AP students earn an “A” grade for the previous two semesters in a non-honors course or receive an “A” or “B” in honors courses for the previous two semesters. **As a student in an AP course, you should expect a fast-paced class, material that is at a higher analytical level, and nightly homework.** AP courses are demanding and will be labor intensive. Students should consider their complete schedule and their extra-curricular activities when choosing to enroll in AP courses. If a student wishes to take more than three AP classes, a student must schedule a conference with an LHS counselor and receive a signature of approval from the counselor, below. **Students can expect a rigorous approach to grading, so an “A” in an Advanced Placement course represents exceptional work at an advanced level. AP courses are designed for the entire year.** Only in the rarest occasion would a student move from an AP class during the school year and only after first semester if space is available. By registering for an AP course, you are committing to that course for the following year. **Students wishing to drop an AP class will have to apply, and applications will be reviewed on a case by case basis.**

Colleges and universities only give credit or placement for qualifying AP Exam grades, not AP course grades. By District Policy, all AP courses are weighted on a 5 point scale. Students may be responsible for the purchase of books and materials for each AP course. **Students may also have summer assignments for their AP courses; and it is the responsibility of the student to check the teacher website for this information.** A student may not be allowed to change his or her fall schedule based upon an incomplete summer assignment.

In order to enroll in an AP course, current Lakewood students must obtain a teacher recommendation (initials next to the course or teacher request) from their current or past teacher in that academic discipline on their course registration form. Incoming Lakewood students (9th grade and transfer) should adhere to the guidelines above with regard to previous grades and have a conversation with their current teacher when deciding to take an accelerated course. In both cases, **a parent signature is also required on the registration form.**

Student Name (printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

*Counselor/Admin Signature (**more than three classes**): _____