Eden Central School District

Curriculum Map for: AP Psychology Grade Level: 11 & 12

UNIT/CONCEPT	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS	SKILLS	ASSESSMENT	RESOURCES / TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION
Unit 1: History and Approaches	1.What is psychology and what makes it a science? 2.How do the schools of psychology complement each other?	Develop understanding of how psychology became a new science in the 19 th century.	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets
Unit 2: Research Methods	1.Why are descriptive statistics important? 2.Is it ethical to experiment on animals? 3.Is it ethical to deceive participants?	Improve observation & recording skills Develop deeper questions for guest Role-play defense mechanisms	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets
Unit 3: Biological Bases of Behavior	1. What are the major parts of the brain, & for what behavior is each part responsible? 2. How does brain damage affect functioning?	Improve ability to work effectively with peers in groups	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets

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Unit 4: Sensation & Perception	1. What role does the ear play in the senses of sound, motion, & balance? 2. What principles underlie our organization of the visual world allow us to make sense of our environment?	Prepare for engage in intelligent debate Develop empathy / see things from another's perspective	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets
Unit 5: States of Consciousness	1.Why do we dream? 2.How do drugs affect mental processing and daily life? 3.What is addition?	Apply concepts to real-world scenarios	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a freeresponse question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets
Unit 6: Learning	1. How do we learn to form associations between stimuli & response? 2. What's the role of reward & punishment in learning? 3. What are some practical methods for bringing about behavior change?	Improve note taking Develop effective mnemonics	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a freeresponse question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets

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Unit 7: Cognition	1.How is information stored in memory and retrieved? 2.What is the physiology behind forgetting?	Apply concepts to real-world scenarios	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a freeresponse question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets
Unit 8: Motivation and Emotion	1.How are needs related to achievement, affiliation, & power motivation exhibited? 2.Do emotions serve a purpose in the daily routine?	Prepare for engage in intelligent debate Develop empathy / see things from another's perspective	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets
Unit 9: Developmental Psychology	1.How does people react to different stages of development? 2.Are we products of nature or nurture?	Apply concepts to real-world scenarios	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Journal articles Power Point Textbook Videos Work sheets

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Unit 10: Personality	 What are the major aspects of trait, learning, biological, and evolutionary, and humanistic approaches to psychology? How can we most accurately assess personality? 	Continue to improve reading comprehension & writing skills Analyze grading criteria	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Videos Power Point Textbook Reference books Journal articles Work sheets
Unit 11: Testing and Individual Differences	1.Are intelligence tests culturally biased? 2.What accounts for the group differences in intelligence scores?	Improve observation & recording skills Analyze grading criteria	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Power Point Textbook Reference books Journal articles Work sheets Guest speaker on intelligence testing
Unit 12: Abnormal Behavior & Treatment	 What are the major psychological disorders? What indicators signal a need for the help of a mental health practitioner? How are drug, electroconvulsive, & psychosurgical techniques used? 	Improve social skills on trip Apply concepts to real-world scenarios	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Videos Magazine articles Textbook Reference books Work sheets APA DSM-V Diagnostic Disorder Manuel

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Unit 13: Treatment of Psychological Disorders	1.How are drug, electroconvulsive, & psychosurgical techniques used 2.Is there one type of treatment that works best for a specific disorder?	Improve social skills on trip Apply concepts to real-world scenarios	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free-response question.	Videos Power Point Textbook Reference books Journal articles Work sheets
Unit 14: Social Psychology	 What are the major sources & tactics of social influence? What are the biases that influence the ways in which people view others' behavior? 	Continue developing deeper questions for guest Meet deadlines (project due)	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test including a free- response question. A specific rubric will be used for the project	Videos Magazine articles Journal articles Power Point Textbook Work sheets
Preparation for final exam in early May.	 Which are our strongest and weakest concepts? Which famous psychological personalities do we need to "brush up" on? 	Improve study skills	Based on the AP exam's format: multiple-choice quiz & test	Videos Magazine articles Power Point Textbook Reference books Journal articles Worksheets