

Advanced Placement (AP) Agreement, 2025 - 2026

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

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

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 entire year. **Students wishing to drop an AP class will have to apply, and applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Students will only be able to withdraw from an AP course in extreme circumstances as determined by a committee. In some cases, additional documentation may be required. Family appeals will not be accepted. The committee’s response is the final decision on behalf of the school.** There is no guarantee that a schedule can be changed due to lack of room in a parallel credit course. **If a senior does drop a yearlong AP course at semester, the counselor must notify the colleges they have applied to and/or been accepted to that the student has dropped to a lower-level course. In some cases, this may impact college admissions.**

If a student needs additional help for any AP class, teachers are always available to help students and sometimes offer additional study sessions. In addition, our tutoring center is also able to assist in some of our AP courses.

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; it is the responsibility of the student to check the teacher website for this information.** A student will not be allowed to change his or her schedule based upon an incomplete summer assignment.

For the 2025-26 school year, students may automatically have their AP exam fee added to their school account in the fall. Students may still opt out of an exam in the fall, but they must opt out before the November deadline to avoid the College Board late or drop fees of \$40 per exam. This late drop fee is assessed by College Board, not the school or district.

In order to enroll in an AP course, current Lakewood students must obtain a teacher recommendation 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.

Student Name (printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): _____

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

List requested AP Courses for the 2025- 2026 school year: