



*Duluth High School
Advanced Placement Program*

Dear Students and Parents:

Welcome to Advanced Placement, an opportunity for students to get a head start on college level work while working within the supportive environment of a high school classroom. Our AP Program teaches students to challenge themselves, to study subjects in greater detail, and to develop reasoning and analytical skills. In addition, AP courses and exams prepare students for the rigorous demands of college.

At Duluth High School, we ask a few things of our AP students. We want them to demonstrate a strong curiosity of the subjects they choose to pursue, attend classes regularly, and to work hard. Being fully prepared for class means that students will be doing much reading and work outside of class. This enables students to fully participate and engage in the learning that takes place during class time. This is the same recipe for success that students will need to follow in college.

We also expect all students to take the AP exam in May. Furthermore, it is important for parents and students to be well informed regarding the individual criteria that colleges and universities expect when awarding college credit for AP exam scores. The credit policies can be found at: <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/creditandplacement/search-credit-policies>.

To learn more about AP courses and to help prepare you for what is ahead in AP, we strongly encourage you to visit this web site: <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home>. It provides you, as students and parents, with an overview of the program and helps you to learn more about each of the AP courses that are offered. If you do not already have a College Board account, then you will need to create one. It is the only way to access your scores after taking the AP exam.

Your AP teachers have a passion for the subject they are teaching and want all students to be successful. They consistently work with students to provide a supportive and rigorous classroom environment where students can rise to the meet the challenges of the AP Program.

All of us at Duluth High School wish you the best of luck and success in your endeavors. We are also committed to the pursuit of excellence as we challenge all to succeed! GO CATS!

Most sincerely,

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