

MCINTOSH HIGH SCHOOL



ADVANCED PLACEMENT NIGHT

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INTRODUCTIONS & WELCOME

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 - Advanced Placement Coordinator

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 - Advanced Placement Testing

WHAT IS ADVANCED PLACEMENT?

- ❖ AP classes offer rigorous, college-level work to help students develop knowledge and skills to be successful in college and career.
- ❖ The courses align to national curriculum frameworks outlined by the College Board and curriculum committees composed of college and high school faculty.
- ❖ Through participating in the May testing for AP courses, students may earn college credit for courses taken for high school credit.



BENEFITS OF AP COURSEWORK

- ❖ Exposure to rigorous, college-level curriculum
- ❖ Opportunity to earn college credit and/or advanced placement
- ❖ Good predictor of college success
- ❖ Enhanced college attractiveness
- ❖ College tuition savings
- ❖ Competitive edge for scholarship dollars



AP VS. DUAL ENROLLMENT

- ❖ Advanced Placement
 - Ability to make up to 105 in the course
 - Additional quality point added to GPA
 - Easier accessibility to the instructor
 - Calendar follows school schedule
 - Nationally recognized curriculum

- ❖ Dual Enrollment
 - Uses letter grading (A=95 etc.)
 - No additional quality point added
 - Transportation is student's responsibility
 - Breaks are different from FCBOE
 - Increase in poor grades and scores



AP GRADES & TRANSCRIPTS

- ❖ 5 points are added to semester grades in all AP classes, provided the student passed the class with a 70%
- ❖ Transcripts will include two grade point averages:
 - Unweighted GPA: Average of all grades accumulated in high school, with 5 points added to AP course grades
 - Weighted GPA: Average with one quality point added per AP course



AP EXPECTATIONS

- ❖ Complete required summer reading and assignments
- ❖ Remain in the class for a full year
 - No schedule changes at semester break for any reason (*including dual enrollment conflict*)
 - Signed contract required
- ❖ Pay for and complete the AP Exam



AP EXAMS

- ❖ Standardized exam written by College Board given at end of course in May
- ❖ Spring semester final exam is waived in an AP course
- ❖ Required EOC test may serve as final exam
- ❖ Students are required to take the exam and pay exam fee (currently \$93 per exam)
- ❖ AP Tests are graded on a scale of 1-5
- ❖ Score of 3, 4, or 5 signifies that the student is qualified to receive college credit
 - 3: Qualified to receive college credit
 - 4: Well-Qualified to receive college credit
 - 5: Extremely Well-Qualified to receive college credit



MCINTOSH AP SCORES

2014

of exams: 840

MHS pass rate: 86.3%

Georgia pass rate: 56.3%

Global pass rate: 61.3%

2015

of exams: 868

MHS pass rate: 88.3%

Georgia pass rate: 57.2%

Global pass rate: 60.7%

2016

of exams: 1077

MHS pass rate: 89.5%

Georgia pass rate: 58.1%

Global pass rate: 60.3%



QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

- ❖ This is not a competitive process between students
- ❖ Teachers try to predict success by accepting students who show promise of success in the class. The goal is predict the potential to score 3, 4, or 5 on AP exam.
- ❖ Students will be deemed:
 - **Qualified** (*met minimum qualification*)
 - **Pending** (*did not meet minimum—is reevaluated for potential success*)
 - **Not Qualified** (*did not meet minimum qualification*)



HOW TO APPLY FOR AP:

- ❖ Two ways to qualify for an Advanced Placement class
 - Automatic Qualification
 - Standard Qualification



AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

- ❖ Proven success in other content-area courses
- ❖ Qualification criteria appears on the application
 - Prerequisite course grades
 - PSAT scores
- ❖ Will not be denied if qualification guidelines are met
- ❖ Students do not have to go through total application process



STANDARD QUALIFICATION

- ❖ Evaluated on a rubric against predetermined criteria:
 - **AP Potential** (based on your PSAT score)
 - **Content area and overall GPA**
 - **Rigor of previous coursework**
 - **PSAT/SAT/ACT Scores** (Writing, Verbal, and/or Math)
 - **Work samples:**
 - Diverse Visual Arts Comprehensive Portfolio
 - Time Writings

January 17 --8 am in Auditorium --4 pm in Media Center	AP Lang/Comp	AP US History	AP Art History
January 19 --8 am in Auditorium --4 pm in Media Center	AP Lit/Comp	AP World History (writing session only required if no PSAT scores are available)	
	AP Spanish & AP French (see AP teacher)		



APPLICATION PROCESS

1) Complete 1 application per AP class

- ❖ AP Application link - <http://tinyurl.com/MHS-AP1718>
- ❖ Must be logged on to student fcboe account to complete the application
- ❖ Print and sign completed application sent to your student email

2) Attach a copy of your transcript and PSAT scores

- ❖ Transcripts will be distributed through 1st period on Friday, January 13
- ❖ PSAT scores were passed out on January 6 and can be retrieved at www.collegeboard.org

3) Attend timed writing sessions (*for Standard Qualification in select APs*)

4) Turn in application documents to Registrar's Office course teacher by January 20 at 4:00 pm



AP FORMS

❖ AP Application

- AP Application link - <http://tinyurl.com/MHS-AP1718>

❖ Maximum Course Exemption Request Form (in Registrar's Office)

- Required if planning to take more than 3 AP classes; we recommend that a student take no more than 3 AP classes (3 is a full college load)
- Attend AP Maximum Course Exemption Meeting on January 19 at 3:50 pm in Media Center or Friday, January 20 at 8:00 am in Auditorium
 - Required for students interested in taking more than 3 AP courses; must bring signed form with you



AP WEBPAGE

- 1) Go to <http://www.fcboe.org/mhs>
- 2) Student Resources
- 3) Advanced Placement

- ❖ [Application](#)
- ❖ How to Access PSAT Scores- October test
- ❖ [Maximum Course Exemption Form](#)
- ❖ [Presentation](#) and [Brochure](#)
- ❖ Rubrics
- ❖ [Timeline](#)



WANT TO KNOW MORE?

- ❖ Attend a Guidance AP Lunch and Learn
 - Bring your lunch and your questions
 - All 3 lunch periods
 - Tuesday & Wednesday (January 17 & January 18)
- ❖ Visit www.collegeboard.org to research AP course descriptions, etc.
- ❖ Call or email Amy Hammock
 - 770.631.3232, ext. 225
 - hammock.amy@mail.fcboe.org



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ATTENDANCE.



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