

# Starr's Mill High School



Advanced Placement and  
Special Programs Night  
January 9, 2020

# Introductions & Welcome

- ❖ Allen Leonard, Principal
- ❖ Krystin Glover Hall, Assistant Principal/Registrar
  - Advanced Placement Coordinator

# Special Programs- Application

- ❖ Courses that require an application:
  - ❖ Newspaper- Justin Spencer
  - ❖ Work-Based Learning Internship- Melanie Duncan
  - ❖ Yearbook- Patt Coleman
- ❖ See teacher for specific course application, requirements and deadline

# What is Advanced Placement?

- ❖ Sponsored by College Board and created by a collaboration between college professors and high school teachers
- ❖ College level coursework completed at SMHS that satisfies high school credit requirements as well as college credit requirements
- ❖ **Benefits**
  - ❖ Exposure to rigorous, college-level curriculum
  - ❖ Opportunity to earn college credit
  - ❖ Enhanced college attractiveness
  - ❖ College tuition savings
  - ❖ Competitive edge for scholarship dollars

# AP vs. Dual Enrollment

## ❖ Advanced Placement

- Quality point GPA-  
Earn up to a 5 on the 4.0 scale
- 90-100: 5                      80-89: 4
- 71-79: 3                        70: 2
- Easier accessibility to the instructor
- Calendar is the same as Fayette County
- Post-secondary schools encourage students to explore all “on-campus options”
- College credit is based on exam score and differs by institution
- Year-long courses

## ❖ Dual Enrollment

- No impact on college HOPE hours
- Cost for lab classes
- Uses letter grading (A=95, B=85, C=75, D=70, W=69)
- Class rank impacted due to grade maximum
- Student must provide transportation
- Calendar is different from Fayette County
- Semester-long courses

*For more information, visit the “SMHSCounselors” page on Blackboard*

# AP Exams

- ❖ Standardized exam written by College Board given at end of course in May
- ❖ Serves as the final exam for spring semester; however, there may also be an Milestone/EOC
- ❖ Students are required to take the exam and pay exam fees (currently \$94 per exam)
  - ❖ Current Year- one STEM exam free
- ❖ 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 (check with individual schools for specifics)

# College Credit- Exam Score

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## Credit Policy

### University of Georgia

Athens, GA

Offers credit for AP Exams	Yes
Offers placement into higher-level courses for AP Exams	No

**From the college:** Each academic department regularly reviews the placement and credit values for an AP score. Most departments use the scores of 3, 4 and 5 for credit or placement. The AP policy is in effect for all undergraduate students entering UGA. Both resident and non-resident students are eligible to receive credit.  
For more information, [view the credit policy on this college's website.](#)

Additional restrictions and requirements may apply to the policy listed below. For more detailed information, visit the college's AP policy on the Web or contact the college directly.

Exam Title	Min. Score Required	Number of Credits	Equivalent Course
Art History	4	3	ARHI 2300
Biology	3	4	BIOL 1103/L
	4	4	BIOL 1107/L
	5	8	BIOL 1107/L & 1108/L
Calculus AB	3	--	MATH 1101 & 1113
	4	4	MATH 1101, 1113 & 2250
Calculus BC	3	4	MATH 1101, 1113 & 2250

#### Look Up Another College's Credit Policy

Search

Enter the name of the college or university above. For the most up-to-date AP credit policy information, be sure to check the institution's website.

#### Have your AP Exam scores sent to a college or university.

See the college rewards >

#### Chart an AP course to a college major or career area.

# Starr's Mill AP Data 2019

# of students: 534

# of exams: 1047

SMHS pass rate: 78%

Georgia pass rate: 61.1%

Global pass rate: 61.3%



# How to apply for AP

- Step 1: Review Course Offerings and Determine Which Courses You Will Apply For
- Step 2: Complete an Online Application for every course
  - ❖ **Due Date (online submission): January 17 at 5:00pm**
  - ❖ **SMHS website → Student Resources → Advanced Placement**
- Step 3: Determine Requirements for Each Course

# Step 3:

## Recommendation/Potential Letter

- AP Potential- College Board uses a percentile to determine high potential in an AP class (student has a 60% or higher probability of scoring a 3 or higher on the subject exam)- solely based on PSAT/SAT scores
- Letters were emailed on December 18<sup>th</sup>
- Students DO NOT have to take all the courses that were listed on their letter
- Students CAN apply for courses that were not listed on their letter
- TO APPLY: Students **MUST** submit the online application for each class they want to apply for; there are no additional requirements

# Step 3: Standard Qualification |

- Students who did not receive a recommendation letter for a certain course are still HIGHLY ENCOURAGED to apply
- Applicants are evaluated on a rubric which includes a variety of criteria
  - Content-area and overall GPA
  - PSAT score
  - Writing Sample
  - Interview
- Rubrics are posted on the SMHS website (Student Resources → Advanced Placement)
- TO APPLY: Students **MUST** submit the online application for each class they want to apply for **AND** complete requirements

# Step 3: Standard Qualification Requirements

## 2) Standard Qualification

Students who did not receive a recommendation/potential letter or students wanting to applying for an AP class not listed on the letter must fulfill the specific requirements listed. **IF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT FULFILLED, THE APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED INCOMPLETE.**

AREA	COURSE(S)	REQUIREMENT	DATE(S)	TIME(S)	LOCATION
ENGLISH	AP Art History AP Language AP Literature AP Seminar	Timed Writing *attend 1 session per course	January 22 or January 23	7:30am or 3:50pm	Media Center
	Students attending BETA Convention or Close Up DC	Timed Writing *attend 1 session per course	January 27 or January 28	3:50pm	Room 708
FINE ARTS	AP Music Theory	Student Application	January 17	4pm	SMHS website or see Dr. Odom
MATH	AP Statistics	Timed Writing *attend 1 session	January 28	7:50am or 3:50pm	Room 616
SCIENCE	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science (current 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> grade) AP Physics	Science Teacher Recommendation	Request by January 17	4pm	Sign the sheet in your current Science teacher's class
	AP Computer Science	Logic Assessment *attend 1 session	January 28 or January 29	8am or 3:50pm	Room 635
	AP Environmental Science (current 8 <sup>th</sup> grade)	Assessment (Env Sci & Human Geo completed at same time)	January 23 or January 24	3:15pm	RSMS Cafeteria
HES	AP European History AP Government AP Human Geography (current 9 <sup>th</sup> grade) AP Macroeconomics	Social Studies Teacher Recommendation  (current 9 <sup>th</sup> grade- see last column →)	Request by January 17	4pm	Current 10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> grade: Sign the sheet in your current Social Studies teacher's class  Current 9 <sup>th</sup> grade:

# AP Webpage

SMHS website → Student Resources → Advanced Placement

- ❖ Online Application
- ❖ Application Information
- ❖ Deadlines
- ❖ Presentation
- ❖ Rubrics

The screenshot displays the Starr's Mill High School website. The header features the school's logo, name, and tagline "Home of the Panthers Demand Excellence". A search bar is located in the top right corner. Below the header is a navigation menu with options: Home, About Us, Faculty & Staff, Parent Resources, Student Resources, Counseling, Athletics, and Staff Resources. The "Student Resources" menu is expanded, showing a list of links including: Advanced Placement, Athletic Resources, Attendance, BYOT, Clinic, Clubs, Dress Code, International Skills Diploma Seal, Lunch Menu, Media Center, Organizations, Parking, Resource Officer, School's Newspaper, Student Handbook, and More. The main content area shows the "Advanced Placement" section with a sub-menu for "AP and Special Programs" and a list of AP courses: Art History, Calculus, Computer Science, English, Environmental Science-R, and French. The "ONLINE APPLICATION" link is highlighted in the sub-menu.

# Program

- ❖ Sessions and Locations
  - Some courses only offered during specific sessions
- ❖ Grade-level specifications for each course
- ❖ 2019 Pass Rates by Exam

Thank you for your  
attendance.



Please report to your  
first session.