



An Overview of the CHS Advanced Placement Program®

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Our AP[®] Courses

- **Arts:** Music Theory, Studio Art: Drawing, Studio Art: 2-D Design , Studio Art 2-D Design Digital, Studio Art: 3-D Design , Art History (online through Georgia Virtual)
- **English:** English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition
- **History and Social Sciences:** United States Government and Politics, Human Geography, World History, European History (*Offering*), Psychology, United States History, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Comparative Government and Politics (*Offering*)
- **Mathematics and Computer Science:** Statistics, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Computer Science Principles (Application), Computer Science A
- **Sciences:** Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics I, Physics C: Mechanics, Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism,
- **World languages:** French Language and Culture, Latin, Spanish Language and Culture, Chinese Language and Culture (*Offering*)
- **AP Capstone Diploma:** 2-year Commitment including AP Seminar Course, AP Research (after completion of Seminar), (plus 4 other courses with 3+)

AP[®] at Chattahoochee High School

- 819 students took 1692 AP exams last year
- 91.0% Pass rate across all of the exams taken (3 or higher);
 - 65.1% of exams taken achieved 4 or 5
- AP Scholars demonstrate superior college-level achievement through AP courses and exams. They receive an award certificate, and this achievement is acknowledged on any AP score report that is sent to colleges the following fall.
 - AP Scholar – **134** students with average score of **3.36**
 - AP Scholar with Honor - **76** students with average score of **3.64**
 - AP Scholar with Distinction - **163** students with average score **4.22**
 - National AP Scholar – **47** students with average score of **4.58**

AP[®]: The Benefits

- Students learn rigorous college-level content and skills
- Taking AP is valued in the college admission process
- AP courses are interesting and rewarding academic experiences
- Opportunity to earn valuable credit and placement in college –
FLEXIBILITY and COST SAVINGS



Credit and Placement Opportunities

Each college and university has its own policies regarding AP[®] credit and placement. The College Board offers information about AP credit at thousands of college and universities at

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/creditandplacement/search-credit-policies>



The screenshot shows the 'AP Credit Policy Info' search page. The page has a blue header with the CollegeBoard logo and navigation tabs for 'Transfer Board Tools', 'Wait for College', 'Find a College', 'Apply to College', and 'Pay for College'. The main content area is titled 'AP Credit Policy Info' and includes a search bar for 'School Name' and a 'Go' button. Below the search bar, there are instructions: 'To begin your search, enter the name of the college or university or select a letter of the alphabet to find institutions that begin with that letter.' The page also features a 'Years' section with links for 'AP Credit Policy Info', 'AP International Recognition', 'SAT Subject Registration', and 'Services for Students with Disabilities'. At the bottom, there are links for 'Site Map', 'Contact Us', 'About Us', 'Press', 'Careers', 'Link Tools', 'Consent', 'Terms of Use', and 'Privacy Policy', along with a TRUSTe logo.

- Search by school name or alphabetically
- Data for each school includes a direct link to that school's Web page detailing AP credit and placement policies
- A statement from the college or university about its AP policy

AP Registration for 2017-18

2017-18 Registration Process

Department Teachers have conversations with their current students and process recommendations (January)

Two courses have a separate application process (AP Capstone- Seminar Course and AP Computer Science Principles – by end of January)

Students Receive Verifications and can Elect to take AP if not recommended if district placement guidelines are met (requires parent and student signature and agreement with responsibilities on the verification form) (February)

Serious consideration should be given by the student and the parent to elect into an AP course if not recommended.

Registration is based upon space availability. Some courses may not actually “make” if a minimum number of students are not registered.

Guidelines

1. A healthy progression for AP generally follows a sequential process of adding 1 AP course per year. Students should normally avoid adding 2 or more additional AP courses from their current load.
2. The rigors of AP at Chattahoochee are real and designed to challenge students at a level at least equal to the average state university or better. Students should have the motivation as well as the academic preparedness to successfully navigate the challenge of AP.
3. Students should be mindful of graduation requirements and curricular expectations by grade level at CHS and plan accordingly to make space for additional course offerings desired.

AP[®] Myths & Realities

Myth	Reality
AP courses are for students who always get good grades.	AP courses are for any students who are academically prepared and motivated to take college-level courses.
AP courses are too stressful.	It's no secret that AP courses are challenging. But the support you receive from your classmates and teachers can help you manage the work load.
I don't think I will score high enough on the AP Exam to get college credit.	You don't need to score a 5. Many colleges grant credit — and placement as well — based on a 3 or higher on an AP Exam.
Taking AP courses could hurt my GPA.	Taking AP courses shows colleges that you're willing to challenge yourself academically. Fulton County awards 7 honors points for passed AP courses.
I can't take AP because no one has recommended me.	If you think you're ready to take an AP course, then you're ready to advocate for yourself — just talk to a teacher or counselor.

College Admissions Officials In Their Own Words

[AP Program: The impact of AP credit and placement on the college experience](#)



AP[®]: Resources Worth Exploring for Students and Families

- AP information:
<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap>
<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap/for-parents>
apstudent.collegeboard.org
- College and Career Planning: bigfuture.org
- Personalized feedback, practice and college planning based on your PSAT/NMSQT[®] results: My College QuickStart™
www.collegeboard.org/quickstart
- AP credit policy information from colleges and universities:
www.collegeboard.org/apcreditpolicy