

**Houston County High School
Advanced Placement Contract
2026-2027**

Student: _____ Grade: _____ Student ID: _____

Advisement Teacher: _____ Parent/Guardian(s): _____

Advanced Placement provides students with an opportunity for learning that goes beyond traditional high school courses. The rich course material, classroom discussions, and demanding assignments typical of AP courses will help you develop the content mastery and critical thinking skills expected of college students and feel confident in your abilities. What's more, by participating in AP, you have the opportunity to earn college credit and to stand out in the college admission process.

AP courses are the most rigorous courses offered in high school. It is essential that you clearly understand the requirements of the courses you plan to take and make a year-long commitment. Motivation, time management, and determination are factors that, while hard to measure, can drastically affect the level of a student's success in AP classes as well as college. Students should expect one to two hours of homework/studying for every hour spent in class. It is important to consider these factors as you decide which courses and how many courses you request.

By initialing below, I understand the requirements of requesting Advanced Placement Course(s); and my parents/guardians and I agree to the following terms:

- _____ The demands of an AP course exceed those of a general course, and I am committed to the extra effort needed to succeed in each course.
- _____ I understand that an AP course is a yearlong commitment, and I will not be withdrawn from this AP course unless the first semester of the course is failed. Any withdrawals must be approved by the Assistant Principal of Instruction. This will be considered on an individual basis.
- _____ I understand that I must abide by the conditions outlined in the course syllabus (e.g., attendance, grading, and make-up policies).
- _____ After reading the course description/syllabus for each AP course, I am confident that I have the skills and dedication necessary to be successful in the courses I request. (Information can be found at <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse>).
- _____ Registration for the AP exam is done through the College Board, and students will receive the "Join Code" from their AP teacher. It is the responsibility of the student to register for each AP course and to verify their exam registration status before **March 1st**.
- _____ The College Board determines the cost of AP exams. Assistance is available to those who qualify.
- _____ AP exams will be ordered no later than **November 1st**. Any student who is withdrawn from an AP course or chooses not to take the exam **AFTER** November 1st will be required to pay a \$40 late cancellation/unused exam fee (per exam). HCHS AP exam deadlines will be before the College Board deadline.
- _____ Students who register for the AP exam after **November 1st**, but before **March 15th**, will incur an additional \$40 late registration fee (per exam), as **March 15th** is the final deadline for AP Exam registration per College Board. HCHS AP exam deadlines will be before the College Board deadline.
- _____ All AP students who register to take the AP exam offered in May agree that if they are a no-show or late for the AP exam, they will be required to pay \$40 for the unused exam (per College Board).

Mark the left column beside the courses you have requested.

ENGLISH

	AP Language & Composition/American Lit.
	AP Literature & Composition

MATH

	AP Precalculus
	AP Calculus AB
	AP Statistics

SCIENCE

	AP Biology
	AP Chemistry
	AP Environmental Science
	AP Physics 1
	AP Physics 2

SOCIAL STUDIES

	AP World History
	AP US History
	AP Psychology

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

	AP Spanish
	AP French

FINE ARTS

	AP Art
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CTAE

	AP Computer Science
	AP Computer Science Principles

Sign below to indicate that you understand the special requirements and the necessary time commitment for the Advanced Placement program.

AP courses are year-long academic commitments, and only in extenuating circumstances are schedules changed once the school year begins.

Parent Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

