

ADVANCED PLACEMENT



- College Level – Open access at AVHS
- Receive an extra GPA grade point with a grade of C or higher (ie, if you earn an “A”, you will get 5 grade points instead of 4) – “weighted course”
- AP exams at the end of the year may count towards college credits if student earns a passing grade (A rating of 3, 4, or 5 out of a 5 point scale is considered a passing score)
- Students gain preparation for college-level coursework
- Nationally standardized assessments
- Exams are administered by College Board, which also administers the SAT
- Exams taken in May

HONORS

- Honors classes are more rigorous and fast paced compared to regular college preparatory courses BUT less involved than AP
- NO extra GPA grade point provided but colleges (UCs and private schools) consider that the student challenged themselves
- Open Access at AVHS
- No end-of-year standardized exam

SOPHOMORE LEVEL

- Honors Sophomore English
- Honors OR AP World History
- Honors Intermediate Algebra OR Honors Pre-Calculus* OR AP Statistics
- Possibly AP Spanish or AP French – If student had taken the 3rd level as a freshman
- Possibly AP Biology or AP Chemistry - If passed prerequisites or with teacher approval
- Electives: AP Computer Science

*Weighted honors course – extra grade point awarded only when applying to college, not on high school transcript

JUNIOR LEVEL

- AP English Language
- AP U.S. History
- Honors Pre-Calculus* OR AP Calculus BC/AB OR AP Statistics
- World Languages: AP Spanish IV or V; AP French IV; AP Japanese IV
- Electives: AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, AP Computer Science, AP Art History
- Science: AP Biology, AP Chemistry, possibly AP Physics

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SENIOR LEVEL

- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP Government & AP Macroeconomics (semester each)
- AP Calculus AB/BC or Honors Pre-Calculus* OR AP Statistics
- Science: AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics
- Electives: AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, AP Computer Science, AP Art History, AP Competition Civics (“We The People”), AP Studio Art
- World Language: AP courses at level 4; AP Spanish V, honors German V*, honors French V*, & honors Japanese V*

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