

## Appendix A

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSE SELECTION

Advanced Placement courses are equivalent to college courses. The purpose of an AP course is to prepare students to successfully complete the corresponding College Board AP Examination given at the end of the school year so that the students may earn college credit. Therefore, AP classes require high levels of reading, critical thinking skills, and especially writing. Students must be able to perform at an accelerated level to accommodate large amounts of subject content. A student who wishes to enroll in an AP course must have earned an “A” average in the prerequisite standard course or a “B” in the prerequisite honors course, must have a minimum overall GPA of 3.7 (or the Department Chair’s approval), and must have a recommendation from the current English teacher with regard to the student’s writing skills for placement in AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP U.S. History. In addition, the student’s standard test scores must indicate a potential for success in an AP course. Students must be responsible to receive and complete any summer assignments given by the AP instructor. An AP Enrollment Agreement Form (Appendix A) must be completed prior to registration.

#### AP Enrollment Agreement

No AP course may be taken with a waiver.

I understand that AP courses are rigorous and demanding.

I also understand that additional work for the AP courses may be required in the summer.

I commit to the higher level work.

I have enrolled in the following AP courses:

AP Biology

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Department Chairperson Signature/Current English Teacher Signature

AP Calculus

\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Chairperson Signature

AP Chemistry

\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Chairperson Signature/Current English Teacher Signature

AP English

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Department Chairperson Signature

AP U.S. History

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Department Chairperson Signature/Current English Teacher Signature

I understand that I may **not** drop AP courses.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date