AP courses provide students with the factual knowledge and analytical skills expected in a college level course. Teachers of AP courses follow a required course outline and prepare students with the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful on the Advanced Placement examination which takes place in May. Before signing up for an AP course, please review the chart below and ask yourself if you are a student who…

* Is interested in the content.
* Is willing to invest the extra time needed for a college level class.
* Has strong organizational and time management skills.
* Has strong reading and writing skills and is willing to improve them.
* Is an independent learner.

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| ***Area of Study*** | ***Reading to prepare***  ***for each class*** | ***# of hours to study/prepare for each class*** | ***Tests, Essays, Papers*** | ***Major Projects*** | ***Summer Assignments*** | ***Comments*** |
| ***AP German Language & Culture*** | 1-5 | ½ hour-1 hour | * weekly quizzes * 1 essay / quarter * 1 speaking assessment/quarter | 1 project / quarter | N / A | * The course is conducted in the target language. * Emphasis is placed on applied language skills and includes grammar review. |
| ***AP Spanish Language & Culture*** | 1-5 | ½ hour – 1 hour | * Daily quizzes * 1 essay per quarter * 1 speaking assessment / quarter * 1-2 tests / quarter |  | N / A | * The course is conducted in the target language. * Emphasis is placed on applied language skills and includes grammar review. |
| ***AP French Language &Culture*** | 1-5 | ½ hour-1 hour | * 1 essay / quarter * 1 speaking assessment / quarter | 1 project / quarter | N / A | * The course is conducted in the target language. * Emphasis is placed on applied language |
| ***AP Latin Language*** | 3 chapters of  Caesar or 30-  40 lines of Vergil | 1+ hour(s) | * 1 translation quiz * 1 vocabulary quiz * 1 reading quiz * 1 essay * 1 test | 1 project / quarter | * Read Gallic Wars (in English) * Read The Aeneid (in English) | Students are expected to review grammar and vocabulary on their own time. |
| ***AP Japanese Language & Culture*** | 1-3 | ½ hour – 1 hour | * Daily quizzes * 1 journal entry/week * 1 test / quarter * 1 speaking assessment/quarter | 1 project / quarter | Study 3 chapters | * The course is conducted in the target language. * Emphasis is placed on applied language skills and includes grammar review. |

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