

# Are You An AP Student?

- Do you genuinely love the subject(s) in which you're considering an AP course? Are you a creative thinker/problem solver in that discipline?
- Do you genuinely love to learn? (NOT just get good grades!)
- If something is challenging for you, are you willing to stick with it until you figure it out instead of just giving up and moving on to something else?
- Do you put forth your best effort and care about the quality of your performance on all assignments and assessment?
- When you miss questions on homework or tests, do you go back over them and try to figure out why instead of just moving on?
- Do you genuinely wish you were learning more at a faster pace in your classes?
- Do you have time in your day (30-60 minutes per AP class) to devote to **studying**? (NOT JUST doing work that's assigned, but going back over course material to make sure you REALLY understand it and taking note of what you don't so you can seek follow-up help?)
- Are you willing and able to effectively plan your time so you can manage all of your commitments?
- Are you willing and able to minimize outside distractions (like your PHONE!) to maximize the quality of your study time?
- Are you willing and able to communicate and self-advocate with your teachers, coaches, directors, club advisors, etc. when conflicts or problems arise?
- If you're planning to take multiple AP classes AND have a wide variety of outside commitments (extracurricular activities, part-time job, community service, faith involvement, etc.), do academics fall at or near the top of your priority list?
- If you have a question in class, are you comfortable raising your hand and asking for clarification or staying after class to ask?
- When a teacher asks for a volunteer, do you willingly raise your hand?
- Are you in class, on time, with your assignments completed almost every single day?
- When you ARE absent from a class, do you communicate proactively with your teacher and/or a classmate to determine what you missed and try to turn in any assignments due that day instead of just waiting until you get back?

***If the answer to these questions is an enthusiastic "YES!", you are an AP student, or are ready to become one!  
If your answer to most of these questions not yet is an enthusiastic "YES!", you may have the potential to be an AP student if you're willing to make some positive adjustments. It takes a deliberate and focused mindset to be ready or willing to take on the rigors, responsibilities, and expectations of a college course while in high school.***

If you **ARE** going to make the AP commitment, we want you to do so in an informed and ebullient manner!

If you have questions or concerns about a particular AP course, please stop by and chat with that teacher before you make your final registration choices so that your decision can be an informed and optimal one!

**EDAP: Advanced Placement,  
Advanced Performance**

## Course Descriptions and Expectations for EDHS Advanced Placement Courses

Golden Hawks,

The purpose of this packet is to help students and their families understand the expectations, time commitment, and rigor of our Advanced Placement (AP) course offerings. It is our sincere hope that all students select a course of study that is as challenging as they can handle. Aligned with that purpose, we feel it is tremendously beneficial for students to have as much information regarding their desired courses as possible.

Given that our AP courses represent the most academically rigorous available at EDHS, we provide this information to ensure that students and families can make informed and realistic decisions.

When selecting a course of study for the coming year, it is important for students to consider not only the classes which they want to take, but also extracurricular commitments such as athletics, activities, clubs, and/or after-school jobs. **Please note: \* indicates that the course requires summer homework.**

### ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

AP Language & Composition*	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students are expected to come prepared to engage in Socratic dialogue in large group, small group, and partner formats. Essay writing is taught for the following three genres: Argument, Analysis and Synthesis. Critical reading and writing skills are taught within the following units: Humanity; Philosophy, Ethics & Religion; Science & Technology; Government, Politics & Social Justice; Nature & the Environment; and Media & Pop Culture. Students are expected to be aware of the world they live in.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Outside class time is spent on review of rhetorical strategies, text annotation, rhetorical analysis questions, and Shmoop practice exercises in critical reading. Homework is anywhere from 3-4 hours per week.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Highly recommended that students have an A or B in English Language Arts Honors, though not required. Self-discipline in study habits and time management with a desire to contribute analytical interpretation is a key part of success in this course.

AP Literature & Composition*	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students are expected to come prepared to engage in class discussions of literature with particular emphasis on literary devices. Annotation techniques & literary terminology are provided with each literature unit, inclusive of novels, plays & poetry. Typically, homework encompasses 2-3 hours per week. Essay drafting, excluding personal statements, is practiced during class periods.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Review of literary terminology & text annotation with drafting of literary one sheets are completed outside of class for each literary unit. Reviewing of one sheets & prior practice essay observation sheets in preparation for essay practice is essential. Making time to complete Multiple Choice practice exam corrections is required typically 2-3 times per semester; time available is a.m., p.m. & lunch.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Highly recommended that students have an A or B in AP Language & Composition or ELA 3. Self-disciplined in study habits & time management with a desire to contribute interpretive ideas is imperative for success.

## LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

<b>AP French Language and Culture*</b>	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	During class almost always speaking French Very difficult grammar, summer homework 2 homework assignments per week Students need an A in French 3
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Watch movies in French, practice French on their own time through internet activities, read in French and go to practices Once a week at lunch
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	As much exposure to French as possible The drive to practice French in the summer and work independently

<b>AP German Language and Culture*</b>	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students in AP German are expected to speak in German during class. There will be weekly text selections from various genres. Students will be expected to summarize the texts both in writing and verbally. Students will practice the DBQ format including the explanation and interpretation of infographics. Students will practice written responses to prompts. The grammar and vocabulary are challenging. German texts, in particular, can be very difficult due to lack of cognates in higher level writing.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	To be successful, student should be self-motivators and strive to speak and listen to German on their own. Students will be required to record conversations and longer responses to submit to the teacher for evaluation. Students should memorize targeted speech functions that pertain to the AP test .
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	AP German students should have a strong desire to practice German independently. They should have taken German 3 (preferably German 3 Honors). Summer homework will be required: Mastery of Präteritum and Perfekt and dependent clause structure.

<b>AP Japanese Language and Culture*</b>	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students are expected to engage in Japanese 100% of the period to help develop fluency. Active participation in class discussion on a daily basis is expected. Students should practice typing in Japanese online, recording speeches, listening/reading Japanese, on a daily basis. Grammar will be covered first semester, so students should expect to work on reviewing the last three year's grammar and kanji during class time, Monday-Wednesday. Thursdays will be test days (for kanji) and Fridays will cover Japanese culture.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Outside of class, students will be expected to read/write/speak/listen to the target language for at least an hour per day. Monthly checks will ensure that practice is done outside of class time.
What classes should a student have prior to your AP course?	AP Japanese students should have prior experience in levels 1~3 in Japanese. Students should have a C or better in Japanese 3.

### AP Spanish Language and Culture\*

<p>What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?</p>	<p>Students in AP Spanish are expected to engage in the target language 100% of the class period. Students will be expected to speak only in Spanish to help develop fluency. Class discussions will greatly strengthen the student's application of Spanish; therefore, active participation in class discussion on a daily basis is expected. Students should expect writing persuasive essays, emails, recording conversations &amp; cultural comparisons, listening/reading Spanish, on a daily basis. Grammar will be reviewed first semester, if necessary. Furthermore, challenging vocabulary will be introduced and covered to help broaden student's comprehension of Spanish.</p>
<p>What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?</p>	<p>To be successful, student need to have a positive attitude and be self-motivated to speak, write, and listen in the target language. Students will be required to engage and practice the language outside the classroom. Regular checks will ensure that the students practiced outside of class time.</p>
<p>What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?</p>	<p>AP Spanish students should have completed Spanish 1 and Spanish 2 &amp; 3 Honors or completed the Native Speaker Spanish courses. Students should have a C+ or higher in Spanish 3 Honors / 3 Native Speaker in order to move on to the AP level.</p>

# MATHEMATICS

AP Statistics	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	AP Statistics is a one year course that represents a one semester introductory level statistics class in college. Students will perform an activity that introduces the topic, take class notes, complete daily homework assignments, take group quizzes and individual unit cumulative exams. There is a final exam in the first semester only as well as a final statistical project in the last semester. The class is a college level course that will develop the students' critical thinking and problem solving abilities using real world applications.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Students should annotate, edit and study class notes on a regular basis. Student should expect between 15 to 60 minutes of homework, and will have time in class to work on the homework. Students should check the solutions to the homework with the in-class solution manual. It is recommend that students form study groups or pairs outside of class.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Students need to know how to read a prompt and write a sentence. Although prior mathematical experience with a graphing calculator in algebra 2 is required, <u>the most essential prerequisite is to know how to read and write effectively.</u>

AP Principles (Computer Science)	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students can expect to learn about The Internet, Digital Information, Programming, Big Data and Privacy, BUilding Apps, and Databases.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	There is little to no work expected outside of class. The course curriculum is set up in a way for all students to "have access to computers", where it can all be done during class time.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	There is no course prerequisite. Students should be interested in computer science and want to learn about the computer science field is highly recommended.

AP Calculus AB*	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	The objective of the course is for the students to master all topics listed in the AP Syllabus and for the student to be able to think and write mathematically. Students are always required to support their answers regardless of the approach. Students will often be asked to verify their results by using a second method. Homework assignments and test questions reflect this philosophy of supporting their response and demonstrating the connections. In addition, homework often contains problems from released test questions from previous AP Calculus AB exams to allow students more practice to the wording and expectations on the exam.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Students will be expected to complete homework that includes worksheets, book work and other activities that support understanding. Time management and diligence are critical for success.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Students need to have taken PreCalc and be able to time manage and organize efficiently.

## SCIENCE

<b>AP Biology*</b>	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students should expect a collegiate program, including college textbook and college labs. We move quickly through a vast amount of material and labs divided up into 8 units. Each unit consists of lectures, labs, discussions, in-class FRQs, and small group activities. Unit tests are based on AP test format and take 2 days to complete. In addition to learning biology content, students will learn a variety of statistical analysis tools; math is used throughout the course.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	HW is not assigned every night; problem sets span multiple days. Students need to plan their time so they are not trying to figure out the PS the night before it is due. There are weekly take-home essays. Students must maintain a lab notebook similar to college requirements and write pre-labs and post-labs. Lab data will be presented in formal lab reports, mini-posters, and DataBlitz slides. A couple of labs are done outside of the school day as they do not fit neatly into a class period. Students also have Mastering Biology, an online resource assigned for each unit. Students are given links to online videos to complement and supplement class lecture.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Students need to be successful in Biology and Chemistry (honors not required but recommended). Students need to have strong reading comprehension, strong analytical and critical thinking skills, strong work ethic, and strong writing skills. The most important thing? Students need to have a love for biology!

<b>AP Chemistry (Chemistry II)*</b>	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	The course is designed to give 11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> grade students the most comprehensive coverage possible of a university-level general chemistry course; big topics include: atomic structure, intermolecular forces and bonding, chemical reactions, kinetics, equilibrium, and thermodynamics. The course relies heavily upon the conceptual, laboratory, and problem-solving foundations laid in first-year chemistry. Great emphasis is placed on linking topics/chapters/units together as material is covered in order to provide students with a 'big picture' idea of the fundamental principles of chemistry. All units in AP Chemistry are covered by means of lecture, class discussion, small group problem-solving, and laboratory experiences.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Students will be expected to complete nightly homework, including practice, problem solving, lab reports, and other activities that support understanding. Time management and diligence are critical for success.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Students should have successfully completed Biology and Chemistry (Honors Biology and Honors Chemistry recommended). Students should also have successfully completed Algebra II prior to enrollment.

### AP Physics 1\*

<p>What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?</p>	<p>AP Physics 1 covers one semester of introductory college physics. We will cover kinematics, forces, energy, momentum, waves, sound, electrostatics, and dc circuits. Students will encounter complex problem solving situations about the way the world works. Being able to critically think is of the utmost importance. Labs make up 20% of the course, so good lab skills are important.</p>
<p>What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?</p>	<p>Students are expected to take notes, complete problems, and complete labs outside of class time. Expect to do anywhere from 15-60 minutes of physics a night. I assign all of the work for a unit at the beginning of the unit, it is up to you not to procrastinate.</p>
<p>What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?</p>	<p>Highly successful in Biology and Chemistry (honors preferred)            Currently enrolled in Trigonometry or Higher (Precalculus is preferred)            A love for understanding the world around you.</p>

### AP Environmental Science\*

<p>What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?</p>	<p>The goal of the AP Environmental Science course is to provide students with the scientific principles, concepts, and methodologies required to understand the interrelationships of the natural world, to identify and analyze environmental problems both natural and human-made, to evaluate the relative risks associated with these problems, and to examine alternative solutions for resolving and/or preventing them.</p> <p>Students will be expected to take detailed notes from the book, annotate them in class, and be able to time manage several labs going on simultaneously and exhibit knowledge of the subject material through thorough analysis of lab experiments.</p>
<p>What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?</p>	<p>Outside of class, students will be required to attend several weekend or afternoon field trips for field studies. Students should spend about an hour taking notes every other day, and about a half hour the other days studying or analyzing labs. Notes are turned in at the end of each unit which comprises 2-4 chapters at a time. Labs are a huge portion of the grade as well.</p>
<p>What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?</p>	<p>Regular or Honors Biology, C or better            Regular or Honors Chemistry, C or better            A desire to help make the world a better place for future generations.</p>

## SOCIAL SCIENCE

AP European History*	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	AP European History covers the Renaissance to the present. Emphasis is placed on themes which include social, political, economic, religious, intellectual and technological changes. Students will regularly read a variety of source materials and develop their writing skills (short answer responses, essays, and document based questions). Class involves interaction with the material via simulations, discussions, activity-based assignments and lecture. So consistency with reading and studying helps!
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Students should expect to spend approximately 30-60 min per day outside of class reading and studying. Students are assigned approximately 5 pages of reading per night and students are expected to fill in their reading guides while reading. Emphasis for the reading guides is placed on content reinforcement and skill building. In addition, time should be spent reviewing past notes, reviewing and annotating the Key Concept Outline. Additionally, preparations for mock trials or creative-based projects are usually given class time and ample notice to allow for comfortable preparation.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	A love of history and/or a love for learning are welcomed! We work on skill building in both reading and writing, however, basic writing and reading skills are helpful. Students should have a strong work ethic and embrace challenges!  *It is helpful for a student to have taken an advanced or honors class(es) in middle school or in high school in any subject. However, it is not necessary.

AP US History*	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	AP US History covers American history from the pre-Columbian Era to the present. Students will regularly read a variety of source materials and develop their writing skills (short answer responses, essays, and document based questions). Class includes lots of discussion, so a willingness to participate verbally is helpful.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Students should expect to spend approximately one hour per day outside of class reading and studying. Students are assigned approximately 10 pages of reading per night and students are expected to take notes on the reading. In addition, time should be spent reviewing past notes, reviewing and annotating the core Concept Outline, and studying. Students also complete one major research and presentation project each semester, along with smaller projects throughout the semester.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Students do not need any prior courses, but a love of history and a love for learning really help, as do solid reading comprehension and writing skills.  AP European History and/or Honors Language Arts are helpful, but not required.

### AP Macroeconomics\*

What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students should expect a course that is driven by direct instruction. There are daily reading quizzes and lectures as well as pre-test review sessions. Students should expect lecture on a daily basis and need to come prepared to class each day, having done the previous night's reading. This course is taken in conjunction with AP Gov.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Nightly readings which are generally 6-10 pages, take quality notes on the readings in order to be prepared for the daily reading quizzes. In each 3 day cycle I would recommend at least an hour's worth of review to complement the nightly readings.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Having taken both AP Euro and AP US would be very beneficial.

### AP Government and Politics: United States\*

What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	This is, as the name implies, a survey course about American government and politics, examining the nature our democratic republic, how it is influenced by Constitutional principles and the American people, and how those people develop and express their political beliefs. AP Gov is taken in conjunction with AP Macro. Mr. Lucas and I are focused both on preparing you to pass our AP Exams and preparing you to be effective, successful, participatory citizens of our great nation. Our students are expected to be enthusiastic about learning, willing to work hard, opinionated about issues and events, and ready to share those opinions and otherwise actively participate every day. This isn't an easy class, but it's an awesometastic one. Like virtually any introductory college political science course, a fair amount of class time involves lecture and note-taking. In anonymous end-of-course feedback surveys the past five years, 98.5% of AP GAP students agreed or strongly agreed that "I would recommend this course overall" and 99.5% agreed or strongly agreed that "I would recommend this teacher overall."
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Approximately ten pages of textbook reading are assigned in preparation for virtually every class period. Each of those days begins with a reading quiz, for which you may use any notes you've taken on the textbook reading. One or twice a unit, there may also be a written homework assignment. Each unit will conclude with an exam. In addition to the assigned reading/written work, students should be engaged throughout each unit in routine concept review and vocabulary mastery.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Being knowledgeable about current events, particularly pertaining to government and politics, is highly beneficial. It is also certainly helpful to have successfully completed both AP Euro and APUSH. Passion for the subject, a diligent work ethic, commitment to excellence, and enthusiasm for learning are also highly correlated with success!

## AP Psychology

What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?

AP Psychology is a college-level introduction to an amazing discipline that seeks to answer some powerful and fundamental questions about people: how and why do we think, feel and act as we do? To demonstrate some mastery in answering these questions, students will read the vast majority of a very well written class text, learn the language of the discipline, and write about what they're learning in short essays which require students to apply their knowledge in often novel situations. Grades are based mostly (but not exclusively) on objective and short essay exam performance. The course has numerous opportunities to discuss important concepts and issues, and some willingness to ask and answer questions and share insights and curiosity with class peers will be expected.

Please note: the study of psychology delves into sometimes delicate matters which require maturity. Some discussion of drug abuse, psychological disorders, sexuality, and other sensitive topics (including controversial ones) is unavoidable and will be handled sensitively and with mutual respect (by both the teacher and students).

What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?

Students should expect to spend approximately 45 min to an hour reading and studying most days outside of class. Homework is usually reading and taking notes on 5 or more pages of text per night, as well as reviewing notes and vocabulary and working on projects.

What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?

There are no course prerequisites, but grade-level reading comprehension and the ability to write in an organized, accurate and detailed fashion are highly recommended. Students should have a *willingness* to read and study driven by a curiosity about what makes us all tick. Above average success in AP European History and/or Honors Language Arts are good indicators of a readiness to tackle AP Psych.

## VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

AP Studio Art 2D - Photography*	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	The AP 2D Studio Art (Photography) course is designed for college-bound students who are seriously interested in photography and wish to develop a highly successful body of work. For the AP Portfolio, students will need to turn in 24 highly sophisticated photographs, 12 images which demonstrate a personal theme (Concentration) and 12 that show range as an artist (Breadth). AP Photo students will also need to write a one page artistic statement about their work.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Outside class time should be spent searching for new ideas and taking photographs in the field or at home.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	It is highly recommended that AP Photo students have taken a Beginning Photography class, though not required. AP Photo students must know how to efficiently work a DSLR camera and have the ability to compose a successful, meaningful photograph. All AP Photo students must have proficient knowledge in Photoshop or Lightroom, color theory, and the elements and principles of art. Because there are MULTIPLE classes being taught during the same period, AP Photo students must be able to work INDEPENDENTLY, at a HIGH artistic level and be highly MOTIVATED. If the student has not taken Beginning Photography at EDHS, they will need a teacher recommendation in order to take the course. The student will be asked to show the instructor some sample pieces of their photography.

AP Studio Art 2D - Illustration/ Graphic Design/ Digital Painting	
What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	The AP 2D Studio Art (Illustration, Graphic Design, Digital Painting) course is designed for college-bound students who are seriously interested in digital art and wish to develop a highly successful body of work. For the AP Portfolio, students will need to turn in 24 highly sophisticated photographs, 12 digital art pieces which demonstrate a personal theme (Concentration) and 12 that show range as an artist (Breadth). AP Illustration students will also need to write a one page artistic statement about their work.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Outside class time should be spent searching for new ideas, creating sketches and working on digital art at home at least 3 to 4 hours a week.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	It is highly recommended that AP Illustration students have taken beginning and advanced drawing classes and digital media course, though not required. AP Illustration students must have advanced drawing skills and the ability to create their own original and technically successful pieces of art. All AP Illustration students must have proficient knowledge in Photoshop or Illustrator, color theory, and the elements and principles of art. Because there are MULTIPLE classes being taught during the same period, AP Illustration students must be able to work INDEPENDENTLY, at a HIGH artistic level and be highly MOTIVATED. If the student has not taken any art or digital art courses at EDHS, they will need a teacher recommendation in order to take the course. The student will be asked to show the instructor some sample pieces of their digital art.

### AP Studio Art 3D - Ceramics

What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students are expected to create 16 works of art to submit for their portfolio. Due to the nature of working three dimensionally they must be productive with their class time as it is difficult to work outside of the studio.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	Outside class time should be spent searching for new ideas, creating sketches and gathering information for the projects that are to be completed in the studio.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Highly recommended that students have taken beginning and advanced ceramics or 3D Art, though not required. They should be well versed in both hand building and wheel throwing techniques in order to effectively express their ideas through the medium.

### AP Studio Art 2D - Drawing

What should a student expect to encounter in your AP course during class time? Expectations? Rigor?	Students in AP Drawing should expect to be working on several pieces of art at a time. Utilize the full period to learn and execute art work. Willingness to take criticism and make time to come and work in the studio outside class time. You need to have 24 works to complete your portfolio.
What will a student be expected to do outside of class in order to be successful in your AP course?	The student needs to be working at home on art projects daily. May need to take outside classes on drawing and painting. Should go and see real art at museums and galleries.
What classes or experience should a student have prior to choosing to take your AP course?	Art classes at least through Drawing and Painting. The love of creating, drawing and painting. Should have teacher approval. Good knowledge of drawing and painting techniques. Quality artwork to use in the breadth section of the portfolio.