

Instruction**ADVANCED PLACEMENT**

To encourage students to challenge themselves academically, ~~and to enable students to~~ **develop college-level skills, and** be more competitive when applying for admission to postsecondary institutions, the Governing Board shall ~~provide~~ **offer** opportunities for college-level coursework that will prepare interested ~~to~~ high school students **to take Advanced Placement (AP) courses and** to pass Advanced Placement **AP** examinations.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)

(cf. 6172.1 - Concurrent Enrollment in College Classes)

The Board desires to provide at least four Advanced Placement courses at ~~each~~ **the** high school. The Superintendent or designee shall recommend subject areas for ~~Advanced Placement AP~~ **AP** courses at ~~each school~~ based on student interest **and the** availability of qualified certificated staff, ~~and availability of~~ instructional materials, and other resources. **The Superintendent or designee shall also explore alternative methods of delivering AP courses, such as online courses or distance learning.**

The Superintendent or designee may consult and collaborate with feeder schools to ensure that students are offered the opportunity to take coursework that will prepare them for AP courses.

(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)

All students who meet course prerequisites shall have equal access to AP courses.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

Grades for AP courses shall be assigned in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

The Superintendent or designee shall make efforts to encourage students to participate in AP courses and to take end-of-course AP exams by creating support systems for AP students, such programs to recognize student accomplishments. In addition, the Superintendent or designee may explore partnerships with colleges and universities to help encourage students to pursue postsecondary education.

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(cf. 5126 - Awards for Achievement)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

To increase the capacity of the school to offer these courses, the Superintendent or designee shall provide staff development and support to ~~Advanced Placement~~ teachers *of such courses*. ~~and shall explore alternative methods of delivering Advanced Placement courses, including but not limited to online courses.~~ *This professional development may include, but is not limited to, opportunities for teachers to obtain information on the curriculum of specific courses, instructional methods, and data-driven decision making; mentoring for prospective teachers of AP courses; and opportunities for staff within the district to share course syllabi and practices.*

(cf. 4111 - Recruitment and Selection)
(cf. 4113 - Assignment)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

~~The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's curriculum provides opportunities for students to acquire the skills necessary to successfully undertake Advanced Placement coursework. To the extent possible, the Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with feeder middle schools in developing and implementing a preparation program.~~

~~(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)~~
~~(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)~~

~~The Superintendent or designee also shall provide academic support services designed to increase the rate of successful participation in Advanced Placement courses offered by the district.~~

~~(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)~~

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(~~cf. 5121—Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement~~)

The Board desires that every district AP course receive authorization to use the AP designation by the College Board. To that end, the Superintendent or designee shall coordinate the process for submitting courses for approval as part of the College Board AP course audit.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

~~48980 Parental notifications~~

~~52240-52247~~ **52243** Advanced Placement program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3840 Advanced Placement as program option for gifted and talented students

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6534 Advanced Placement exam for program

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: *TTP://www.csba.org*

Advancement Via Individual Determination: <http://www.avid.org>

California Colleges. edu:<http://californiacolleges.edu>

~~CDE~~ ***California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>***

~~AP Challenge Project:~~ ***<http://www.apchallenge.net>***

~~College Entrance Examination Board:~~ ***<http://www.collegeboard.org/ap>***

~~Advancement Via Individual Determination:~~ ***<http://www.avidcenter.org>***

International Baccalaureate: <http://www.ibo.org>

U.S. Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov>

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~~At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians on the availability of state funds to cover the costs of Advanced Placement examination fees pursuant to Education Code 52244. (Education Code 48980)~~

~~(cf. 5145.6 – Parental Notifications)~~

~~Any economically disadvantaged student, as defined in Education Code 52241, who is enrolled in an Advanced Placement course may apply to the Superintendent or designee to cover the costs of Advanced Placement examination fees minus five dollars which shall be paid by the student. (Education Code 52244)~~

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