
Welcome!

AP & Honors Workshop

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Why Take Honors Classes

- Higher GPA.
- More rigorous classes better prepare students for college.
- Prepare students for AP classes.
- Get the higher grade point on UC applications.
- Get a higher grade point on your WCS transcript.

Extra GPA

Regular Class

A = 4.0

B = 3.0

C = 2.0

AP & Honors Classes

A = 5.0

B = 4.0

C = 3.0

Honors Classes offered at Woodcrest Christian

Honors Algebra II

Honors Trigonometry/ Pre-Calculus

Honors American Literature

Honors Judeo-Christian Philosophy

Honors Biology

Honors Chemistry

Honors and AP Meetings

- Mandatory Meetings at lunch Feb 9th-13th
- Mon. 2/22 Math Dept.
- Tue. 2/23 Science Dept.
- Wed. 2/24 English Dept.
- Thur. 2/25 Social Studies Dept.
- Fri. 2/26 Bible Dept.

Pre-requisites for Honors Classes

Honors Algebra II

- A or B in Algebra I and Geometry
- Teacher Recommendation

Pre-requisites for Honors Classes

Honors Trigonometry/ Pre-Calculus

- A or B in Honors Algebra II
- Teacher Recommendation

Pre-requisites for Honors Classes

Honors American Literature

- A or B in English II
- Teacher Recommendation
- Writing Samples on selected topic

Pre-requisites for Honors Classes

Honors Judeo-Christian Philosophy

- A or B in every Bible class taken at WCS
- Recommendation from current Bible Teacher
- Entrance test based on Bible content

Pre-requisites for Honors Classes

Honors Biology

- Completion of Algebra I with a C or better
- Entrance Essay
- Recommendation from Math and English Teachers

Pre-requisites for Honors Classes

Honors Chemistry

- Completion of Algebra II with at least a B
- Math Entrance test
- Online access required
- Recommendation from Math and Science Teachers

What is AP?

- AP stands for Advanced Placement
- Tests given by the college board each year for college credit earned during high school.
- Tests taken during a two week window in May.
- Cost of test is \$86.
- Results are given in a score of 1-5.

Why take an AP Test

- **COLLEGE CREDIT!**
- **A score of a 3, 4, or 5 receives college credit.**
- **Register early for your Freshman year of college.**
- **Improve your chance of getting accepted into your college of choice.**
- **Improve your writing skills and sharpen your problem-solving techniques.**
- **Develop the study habits necessary for tackling rigorous course work.**
- **Stand Out in the College Admissions Process**
- **Demonstrate your maturity and readiness for college.**
- **Show your willingness to take the most rigorous courses available to you.**
- **Study subjects in greater depth and detail.**
- **Assume the responsibility of reasoning, analyzing, and understanding for yourself.**
- **Instructions on signing up for your AP test will be given to you by your AP teacher**

College Board AP Tests

www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/about.html

Art History

Biology

Calculus AB

Calculus BC

Chemistry

Chinese Language and
Culture

Computer Science A

Computer Science AB

Macroeconomics

Microeconomics

Environmental Science

English Language

European History

English Literature

French Language

French Literature

German Language

Comp Government & Politics

U.S. Government & Politics

Human Geography

Italian Language and Culture

Japanese Language and Culture

Latin Literature

Latin: Vergil

Music Theory

Physics B

Physics C

Psychology

Spanish Language

Spanish Literature

Statistics

Studio Art

U.S. History

World History

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Calculus AB

Calculus BC

Statistics

English Language

English Literature

U.S. Government & Politics

Physics

U.S. History

AP Course Audit

- All Woodcrest AP classes have passed the audit and have been approved by the College Board.

College Credit

You must take the AP exam at the end of year to earn College credit.

A student needs to earn a score of 3, 4, or 5 to earn college credit.

By taking the AP exams you can save thousands of dollars in tuition.

The cost of an AP exam this year is \$86.00

What is required to get into AP at WCS?

In the Spring, students will need to attend each class's information session.

They will need to apply for each classes.

Some require essays, some an entry test, some are required to turn in a portfolio of work.

A list of accepted students will be posted on February 25th.

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

English Language

- A or B in both English I and II.
- Current English Teacher Recommendation
- Timed Writing Essay Test
- Timeliness of application materials

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

English Literature

- Student must have earned a B or better in AP English Language and Composition or Honors American Literature.
- Student must have a recommendation from their English teacher.
- Student must show a previously written essay from one of their classes.

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

U.S. Government & Politics

- **At least a “B” in both semesters of US History and World History**
- **Recommendations from History and English teachers as to ability to perform**
- **A short timed writing test assessing writing ability**

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

Physics

- Concurrent or previous enrollment in AP Calculus.

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

U.S. History

- Must have an A or B in World History, and an A or B in English and sophomore year Semester 1.
- Must have adequate recommendations from World History teacher and English teachers regarding 1) Thinking skills, 2) Writing skills.
- Students will be accepted into the class in order of how they line up on these criteria.

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

AP Calculus

- A or B in Honors Trigonometry

Woodcrest AP Test Requirements

AP Statistics

- A or B in Honors Trigonometry
- A or B in Algebra II (Standard or Honors)

What is the difference in workload?

- AP classes are offered at a college level.
- Therefore, we expect the workload to be substantially more difficult.
- The homework and class work will be more rigorous.

UC and Cal-State Questions

- How many 10th and 11th grade Honors/AP classes count on applications?
A- 8 semesters(2 in sophomore year, up to 6 junior year)
- How can I verify which classes are accepted by UC?
A- <https://doorways.ucop.edu/list/>
- What is the difference between UC approved and school recognized honor classes?
A- UC only approves 10th -12th grade college level courses, approved by the Office of the Chancellor.
- Aren't WCS students at a disadvantage from public school student because we don't offer as many AP courses?
A- No (The doorways website tracks the number of classes offered at a school and the number taken to create a "Rigor level" for each student automatically on their applications. (WCS 8, King 29)

Questions?

Specific Questions on Prerequisites?

Honors/AP Woodcrest Math Classes

- Honors Algebra II
- Honors Trigonometry/ Pre-Calculus
- AP Calculus AB (BC when needed)
- AP Statistics

Honors/AP Woodcrest English Classes

- Honors American Literature
- AP Language
- AP Literature

Honors/AP Woodcrest Social Science Classes

- AP United States History
- AP Government and Politics

Honors/AP Woodcrest Bible Classes

- Honors Judeo-Christian Philosophy

Honors/AP Woodcrest Science Classes

- Honors Biology
- Honors Chemistry
- AP Physics

So what's next...

What should I be doing this year if my child is in...

9th Grade- Work hard to keep all As and Bs in my core areas that you might want to take a Honors/AP class in.

10th Grade- Take up to 2 Honors classes.

11th Grade- Take up to 6 AP/ Honors classes.
Work hard all year to prepare for AP tests. In May take the AP exams.

12th Grade- Take any other desired AP/ Honors classes. Prepare for AP exams in May.

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