

KWHS Advanced Placement (AP[®]) Program



Why AP[®]?

College bound students should consider taking one or more AP courses. ***Research shows students completing one or more AP courses regardless of their G.P.A., do better in college than those never taking AP courses. (Information from the College Board.)***

- AP enables students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school
- AP students are much more likely to graduate college within 4 years
- Possible to offset some college costs by earning credit through AP & completing a degree in 4 years
- Current & former KWHS AP students highly recommend AP
- Former KWHS AP students report being better prepared than their classmates at college
- Two or more Advanced Placement Courses in high school = 82% graduation rate from college
- There is NO fee to take an AP Exam at Kelly Walsh High School, NCSD #1 pays the \$92 Exam fee

Advanced Placement Exams

Certain advanced courses in the high school program are designated Advanced Placement. The Advanced Placement examinations given each May, on a standardized national test day, are scored by the Education Testing Service. Each examination receives an overall grade on a five-point scale:

- 5 points = extremely well qualified
- 4 points = well qualified
- 3 points = qualified
- 2 points = possibly qualified
- 1 point = no recommendation

Each college decides which AP examination grades it will accept. Some colleges accept grades of 3 or better and give the student credit as if that person had taken one or more basic courses in the subject tested. In some cases credit is not given, but the necessity of taking basic courses is waived. Students can check individual colleges AP credit policy at: <http://www.collegeboard.com/apcreditpolicy/index/jsp>.



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