

# AP COURSE AGREEMENT

| STUDENT INFORMATION                   |                       |                             |  |
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| Student's Legal Name                  |                       | Powerschool #               |  |
| Current Grade Level                   | Primary Email Address | Primary Phone Number  ( ) - |  |
| PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS AND EXPECTATIONS |                       |                             |  |

Advanced Placement courses are taught at a college level and require excellent organizational skills, strong study habits, the ability to work independently, and a high level of interest and commitment. AP courses are designed to be more rigorous than academic and honors classes. Students can expect to spend substantial time outside of the class preparing assignments, reading selected texts, and writing papers.

## Academic Integrity:

Students enrolled in AP courses are subject to the VMCCA Academic Integrity Policy and are required to verify the originality of their work. Verification may include submitting their papers to an online plagiarism checker such as WriteCheck.com.

#### Credit for the AP exams:

You may earn college credit depending on your AP exam score. Colleges and universities determine the minimum score for which they will award credit. All of the 16 public universities in NC will now accept a score of 3 for credit. Credit information for other colleges/universities should be available on the individual college websites. Students enrolled in an AP course are expected to sit for the AP College Board exam. At this time, the AP exam is free to any student currently enrolled in that course. There is a \$40.00 charge for any unused exams. Students who wish to sign up for an exam for which they are not enrolled will be assessed the full exam fee.

The AP exam will not count toward your final average. However, your teacher will assign a teacher-made final exam or project that will count for 20% of your final class average.

### Assignment and Work Habits:

AP courses require a substantial commitment of time and energy. Students agree to be diligent in completing assignments thoughtfully and on time. They further agree to the responsibility for being a constructive member of an AP class by participating in class discussions, working cooperatively in groups, respecting views of others and taking responsibility for their decisions. In addition, students are responsible for knowing their grade in the class, checking PowerSchool, and reconciling any discrepancies immediately. It is your responsibility to check with your AP teacher (s) before the end of the school year regarding any possible AP summer assignments.

#### Commitment:

Students who enroll in AP courses are expected to be dedicated and committed to the course and remain in the course for its duration. By signing this agreement, you are verifying that you and your parent/guardian have read this agreement carefully, as well as each AP course syllabus for which you have registered, and fully understand the workload and commitment level required for success in AP classes.

Students should note that consideration to drop these courses will only be made for serious and/or unusual circumstances and only with the approval of the principal.

| ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AGREEMENT       |                   |  |  |
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| Signature of Student*               | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) |  |  |
| Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian* | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Student and parent/guardian should return this signed agreement to the VMCCA front office no later than April 17, 2023.