

Advanced Placement at St. Malachy's Memorial High School



AP®

Choose AP

Are you ready for a unique learning experience that will help you succeed in college? Through AP's college-level courses and exams, you can earn college credit and advanced placement, stand out in the admission process, and learn from some of the most skilled, dedicated, and inspiring teachers in the world.

A Different Kind of Class

From the moment you enter an AP classroom, you'll notice the difference—in the teacher's approach to the subject, in the attitude of your classmates, in the way you start to think. In AP classrooms, the focus is not on memorizing facts and figures. Instead you'll engage in intense discussions, solve problems collaboratively, and learn to write clearly and persuasively.

Prepare to Succeed in College

AP courses can help you acquire the skills and habits you'll need to be successful in college. You'll improve your writing skills, sharpen your problem-solving abilities, and develop time management skills, discipline, and study habits.

Earn College Credit and Placement

Most four-year colleges in the United States and colleges in more than 60 other countries give students credit, advanced placement or both on the basis of AP Exam scores. By entering college with AP credits, you'll have the time to move into upper level courses, pursue a double-major or study abroad.

AP® Students

Congratulations! As an AP® student, you are taking part in a college-level academic experience that will challenge and inspire you, and prepare you for college and beyond. Your hard work is helping you prepare for the AP Exam, which gives you the opportunity to earn credit and advanced placement in college.

The *2012-13 Bulletin for AP Students and Parents* contains information about AP Exams and test security and test administration policies and procedures designed to provide all students with a fair and uniform testing experience.

On exam day, you will be asked to indicate that you understand and agree to the policies and procedures that appear here.

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How you can support your child this year:

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- f*. Remind your child to prioritize classes, activities and work commitments
- f*. Recommend that your child form a study group
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