

2020 ADVANCED PLACEMENT WORLD HISTORY APPLICATION

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

1. Fill out ALL of the information requested on this sheet.
2. Both you AND a parent/guardian must read and sign and date the front and back of this form in order for your application to be reviewed.
3. Return the signed (on both front and back) application form to Mrs. Duffield (A201) by Friday, February 7th at 2:45 PM.

CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE:

- AP World History is a course for students who **will be SOPHOMORES** in 2019-2020. No freshman, juniors or seniors will be accepted in this course.
- **Acceptance into this course is selective--based on a composite score consisting of the following criteria added together (equally weighted) and divided by three:**
 - Student's overall GPA,
 - Student's 1st semester grade in their US History class, and
 - Student's 1st semester grade in their Language Arts class.

REMINDER: Return this completed application to Mrs. Duffield (room A201) by Fri, Feb. 7th @ 2:45 pm. All information on this form must be completed and both the front and back of this form must be signed by you and a parent/guardian.

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED INTO AP WORLD HISTORY VIA EMAIL.
THE EMAIL WILL BE SENT TO YOU AFTER SCHOOL ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21st.

NAME OF STUDENT APPLYING TO AP WORLD HISTORY (LEGIBLY WRITTEN)	
STUDENT NUMBER (LEGIBLY WRITTEN) **IF UNSURE OF THIS, ASK THE COUNSELING OFFICE. <u>DO NOT LEAVE BLANK.</u>	
CURRENT SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER (LEGIBLY WRITTEN)	

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

AP World History covers more content, moves at a much faster pace, and includes more rigorous assessments than Okemos High School's regular level World History course. The accelerated pace of this course leaves very little time for remediation. The course prepares students to pass the Advanced Placement exam in World History and prepares students for post-secondary studies by improving reading interpretation, writing, and study skills. Extensive reading and writing are required to pass this course. Successful completion of this course will fulfill the State of Michigan World History & Geography requirement and the Okemos High School graduation requirement in place of Okemos High School's general education World History course.

Students entering this class must understand the following about this course:

- The textbook and ancillary reading assignments are **written for a college-level student.**
- This course includes more **reading, writing, and rigorous assessments** than the on-level World History course.
- Chapter quizzes are given **before** in-class work with, and application of, the chapter content.
- An extensive **summer assignment**, including textbook study and map memorization, will be due on the first day of class.

I have read the above information and understand the nature of this course, as well as the criteria for acceptance into this course.

Student signature: _____

Date: _____

(also see reverse)

I have read the above information and am aware of the nature of this course, as well as the criteria for acceptance into this course. I am aware of my student's interest in applying for this course.

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

(also see reverse)

FOR PARENTS OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT STUDENTS

Okemos High School offers the Advanced Placement Program of studies for talented students who are capable of doing college level work. There is an application/selection process for admission to each Advanced Placement course. Students who take Advanced Placement courses are required to take the Advanced Placement Examination in that area which is given annually in May. The Advanced Placement exam is an integral part of the Advanced Placement course, and the content of that exam shapes the framework of the course. Students taking Advanced Placement courses are making a commitment to excellence, and the Advanced Placement Examination provides both a unity of purpose and the measure of integrity of the course experience. Fairness to all (the others in the class, the teacher, and the colleges seeing AP on a transcript) decrees that all students complete the requirements of the Advanced Placement course by taking the Advanced Placement Examination.

There is an Advanced Placement Examination fee that the student must pay. However, there is a fee waiver provision for any student who may have difficulty paying it. If a student has difficulty paying the fee, Mrs. Akers in the Counseling Office should be contacted and arrangements to discuss fee reduction or waiver will be made. Each year the College Board provides fee reductions for candidates who are unable to pay the full fee for each Advanced Placement AP Examination. Available funds are limited. Therefore, fee reductions should be requested only for those students whose financial needs are clear. The basic guidelines for financial need is membership in a low-income family.

The fee for the Advanced Placement exam is due in September 2020. If the payment is not submitted by the due date, a late fee will be applied to each exam fee.

If a student withdraws from an Advanced Placement course, the colleges and universities to which the student has already applied will be informed of the change in the student's schedule.

I have read the above statement and agree to abide by it.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read the above statement and am aware of and support the commitment made by my son/daughter to the requirements listed here and on the application form.

Parent/guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

If a student fails to apply for an advanced placement course by the February deadline, that student's approval for AP enrollment will be based on the same criteria required of the February deadline but may also be limited by seat availability. (The number of sections offered is determined by on-time applications.) Late applications should be submitted to the AP teacher who will then conference with the advanced placement committee to determine whether or not the late applicant will be placed on the approved list. Placement on the "approved list" does not ensure placement in the course if seats are not available. Therefore, it is highly recommended that students meet the AP application deadline.