

## Wakefield High School-Advanced Placement Agreement 2012-2013

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. Students can expect to spend substantial time outside of class preparing assignments, reading, and writing papers. In addition, Advanced Placement students may have summer assignments to prepare them for the challenge of their Advanced Placement course(s).

**Commitment for the entire school year:** I understand that a student may drop an Advanced Placement course up until Friday, July 27, 2012. After that date, only the Advanced Placement teacher, after conducting appropriate diagnostic work, may initiate a drop. I am making a commitment to continue this course for the entire academic year, no matter which semester I get the course.

**Credit for the Advanced Placement test:** I understand that taking the Advanced Placement test does not guarantee college credit. Colleges and universities determine the minimum score for which they will award credit. I agree to pay the fee, approximately \$87, for each AP exam I decide to take.

**Assignments and work habits:** I understand that Advanced Placement courses require a substantial commitment of time and energy. I will be diligent in completing my assignments thoughtfully and on time. I understand that I am responsible for being a constructive member of an AP class by participating in class discussions, working cooperatively in groups, respecting the views of others, and taking responsibility for my decisions.

**Special Requirements:** I agree to purchase the materials needed for each of my Advanced Placement courses. *If a course will not be offered due to limited enrollment, you will be notified by mid- July.*

**Summer Assignments: I agree to complete the summer assignments.** Failure to complete the summer assignment does not provide grounds for removal from the course. Instead, the incomplete summer assignment will be used in the determination of the student's grade. Some courses listed below have required summer work that must be completed by the deadline specified by the teacher. It is your responsibility to obtain the information from the AP teacher prior to leaving for summer vacation. **\*\*See below for courses which require summer work.**

**College Board Website:** Students are encouraged to visit the College Board website to view testing dates and important information regarding AP courses. [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

**Please select the AP Courses in which you plan to enroll for the 2012-2013 school year.**

AP Statistics       AP Psychology       AP Biology       AP French Language  
 AP Calculus AB & AP Calculus BC (year-long, consecutive course)  
 AP Chemistry       AP French Literature       AP English III (Language/Comp)  
 AP Physics       AP Spanish Language       AP English IV (Literature/Comp)  
 AP Economics       AP Spanish Literature       AP US History\*       AP Music Theory  
 AP Computer Science AB       AP European History       AP Environmental Science  
 AP Visual Arts-Drawing       AP Latin       AP Visual Art-2D Design  
 AP Human Geography       AP Visual Arts-3D Design       AP U.S. Government and Politics

*\*AP US History will be a year-long course. Students will receive honors credit for fall semester and AP credit for spring semester.*

*\*\*Courses with required summer work are: AP Calculus, AP English III, AP English IV, AP US History, AP European History*

**I have read the Advanced Placement information sheet and agree to abide by all of the requirements. I understand that select Advanced Placement courses require summer assignments that are my responsibility to obtain and complete by specified deadlines. I understand that a course may not be offered due to under-enrollment. Please enroll me in the Advanced Placement course(s) noted above.**

Student's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Students must return their completed, signed Advanced Placement Agreements to their counselor in order to be scheduled for Advanced Placement classes.**