World Languages- Academic Expectations for AP Classes



AP courses provide students with the factual knowledge and analytical skills expected in a college level course. Teachers of AP courses follow a required course outline and prepare students with the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful on the Advanced Placement examination which takes place in May.

Before signing up for an AP course, please review the chart below and ask yourself if you are a student who -

is interested in the content?

has excellent attendance?

School Tours for New Students to Centreville High School will be available to students and

parents by appointment. To make an appointment, please contact Karen Clifton at 703-802-5422.

Tours will begin promptly at 2:45. Students with their parent should meet in the Office of Student Services. After the tour concludes, you will have an opportunity to meet with a member of the counseling team to answer any questions you may have.

Tour dates will be March 19

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, and June 12is willing to invest the extra time needed for a college level class?

- has strong organizational and time management skills?
- has strong reading and writing skills and is willing to improve them?
- is an *independent* learner?

The chart below provides an approximation of the time and assignments for each AP course offered in the Social Studies Department and may vary from student to student. Different teachers for the same course may have slightly different procedures, but the time commitment is about the same. And according to school policy, students are reminded that they may not drop an AP course until the end of the first quarter.

Area of Study	# of pages to read to prepare for each class	# of hours to study/prepare for each class	Tests, Essays, Papers	Major Projects	Summer Assignments	Comments
AP German Language & Culture	1-5	½ hour-1 hour	 weekly quizzes l essay / quarter l speaking assessment/quarter 	1 project / quarter	N/A	 The course is conducted in the target language. Emphasis is placed on applied language skills and includes grammar review.
AP French Language and Culture	1-5	½ hour-1 hour	l essay / quarterl speaking assessment / quarter	l project / quarter	N/A	 The course is conducted in the target language. Emphasis is placed on applied language

			• 1 unit test / quarter			skills and includes grammar review.
AP Spanish Language and Culture	1-5	1/2 hour – 1 hour	 Daily quizzes 1 essay per quarter 1 speaking assessment / quarter 1-2 tests / quarter 		N/A	 The course is conducted in the target language. Emphasis is placed on applied language skills and includes grammar review.
	3 chapters of Caesar or 30- 40 lines of Vergil	1+ hour(s)	 l translation quiz l vocabulary quiz l reading quiz l essay l test 	l project / quarter	 Read <u>Gallic Wars</u> (in English) Read <u>The Aeneid</u> (in English) 	Students are expected to review grammar and vocabulary on their own time.