

# Welcome to AP 2020-2021

Congratulations on being a part of the Advanced Placement (AP) Program here at NWCTA!

Regardless of what grade you are in, or what AP experience you have already had, please pay attention to each slide and take notes. Most of what we will be sharing with you is very important to your success in the class and on the AP Exam for this class (should you choose to register for the exam).

You are being given the opportunity to earn possible college credit by being in an AP course(s), which can give you a head start on college.

## **Getting Started**

All Freshmen are <u>required</u> to take AP Computer Science Principles and some may have <u>chosen</u> to take AP Human Geography.

Sophomores, Juniors, & Seniors will have requested to be approved for their AP courses across many subjects by turning in an AP Contract during registration. If you're reading this, then congratulations on being accepted!

All AP students enrolled in an AP course must have an account created with the College Board, which runs the AP program. If you do not have an account, you cannot use the join code to access the class.

Whether or not you have an account with College Board, please pay attention to the following slides!

# myap.collegeboard.org

<u>Please write down or save in your phone (or both) the above website.</u> This website is how you access your account, access resources to help you in class, and retrieve your AP Exam scores for when you go to college.

**Every** AP student must have access to their previous account or create an account with College Board through this website. If you have a previous account with College Board and can remember your User ID and Password, then you are good to go. Last year I asked students to save this information in their phone in Contacts under "AP" or "College Board".

The following slide are the pathways to creating or retrieving your account.

## **Account Pathways**



Look at the four pathways to creating <u>or</u> retrieving an account and determine <u>which one</u> applies to you. Then go to myap.collegeboard.com to create or access your account:

<u>Pathway #1:</u> Students who have never had a College Board account need to create one. *This would be first time AP students and Freshmen.* Once you have created your account, you can now use the join code your AP teacher gives you to join your class.

<u>Pathway #2:</u> Students who already have an account and can remember their User ID and Password. If this is you, then you are good to go to get your join codes from your AP Teacher(s).

<u>Pathway #3:</u> Student has account, cannot remember User ID or Password, but can request this information from College Board. Once recovered and you can access your account, you are good to go.

<u>Pathway #4:</u> Student has account, attempts to retrieve User ID and Password and is unsuccessful. Must call College Board to provide identifying information in order to retrieve account info. **AP Student**Services: #866-315-6068.

### HANG IN THERE! HALFWAY DONE!!

I realize this is not even close to being the flashiest Powerpoint, so I appreciate you guys and gals hanging in there with me! Please continue to stay focused and we are almost done! Promise!

Please save this number in Contacts in your phone under AP Student Services: #866-315-6068 (same number on previous slide). It is very important you have this number so College Board can help you with any technical or account issue you might have throughout the school year.

If you have saved your User ID and Password for your College Board account in your phone, then thank you for listening last year! If not, then please do that once you retrieve that info. If you are just creating an account, please save the information in your Contacts under "AP" or "College Board". You can use the "notes" section in the contact.

### AP EXAM REGISTRATION

This next info is very important to **share with your parents TODAY**, please! Your parents will more than likely be paying or helping you pay for your AP exams. So allow them some notice to prepare for these expenses.

Your AP teacher will spend the whole year preparing you for success on the AP Exams held in May, but you need to sign up and pay for them this Fall.

#### AP Exam Registration is from September 28th through October 30th.

Exams are \$95 each. AP Seminar is \$143.

Since we are not in school physically this year, all payments must be made through the school's webstore:

https://webstores.activenetwork.com/school-software/northwest\_technology/



## AP Registration options

<u>AP Fee Waiver</u>: If you qualify for Free & Reduced Lunch, or your family meets other financial needs, you may possibly qualify for an AP Fee Waiver. More information on the AP Fee Waiver will be forthcoming before exam registration begins.

You and your parents need to fill it out and submit it with the payment of your AP Exam during the registration window.

Opt Out Form: If you choose to **not take** the AP Exam and do not plan to register to take it, then please fill out and submit an Opt Out Form. More information on the Opt Out Form will come before registration as well.

When the time comes, the opt out form can be submitted to Mr. K at krebss@nv.ccsd.net

## My Account with College Board is Active, now what?

Your teacher will provide you with a join code. Please use this code to go into your College Board account and "join" the course. You will not be able to register for AP Exams or access class resources if you do not do this! It is imperative that you do both these steps: Create an account and "join" the class.

As soon as you join, you will have access to class resources and assignments.

Please do this on your own by the deadline your teacher gives you. As AP Coordinator, I have to have 100% account and "join" participation. If you don't complete this task, I will have to call your parents for their help in assisting you.

Once completed, then it is your responsibility to participate, work hard, learn hard, and prepare to get the best grade possible in class and hopefully on the AP Exam.



### Last Slide!

This school year will have its challenges, more so than any "normal" school year.

To be successful in all your classes, not just AP, you need to be organized, don't procrastinate with homework and studying, and communicate with your teachers when you need help!

Remember, the stress of the pandemic and learning from home isn't just affecting you, it affects your parents and family. The best thing you can do to help your parents to alleviate some of their stress is by doing well in school.

You also need to take care of yourself by finding a balance between school work and friends/family. Your mental health is important and your parents, teachers, and counselor are here to help if you need it. So don't hesitate to reach out!

## Just ONE more!

### **GOOD LUCK and STAY POSITIVE!**

**ALWAYS!** 

P.S. We will all get through this together and be stronger

because of it.