

Pre-AP/AP Contract

Okeechobee High School affords opportunities for advanced level coursework for our students. Pre-Advanced Placement and Advanced Placement courses are available in the areas of Math, English, Science, Music, and Social Studies. Students completing these courses successfully not only have the opportunity to earn college credits, but they will gain skills that will prove invaluable to them as they move to the post-secondary level.

Rigor of Coursework:

Pre-AP and AP courses are the most rigorous courses offered at OHS. Students participating in these courses will be given an opportunity to demonstrate their maturity and readiness for college.

Students in any Pre-AP or AP level course(s) are expected to:

- Have excellent attendance and when absent, be diligent in contacting the teacher or a reliable classmate to find out about missed assignments
- Begin course readings during the summer prior to school opening
- Demonstrate effective reading, writing, and listening skills for the grade level and work toward developing exemplary skills in those areas
- Be self-motivated and self-disciplined
- Demonstrate logical and effective organizational skills
- Be able to follow directions precisely
- Have a sincere interest in and enjoyment of learning, accepting any challenges
- Realize there will be a heavy workload and willingly accept it
- Know it is important to be well-rounded, but still put academics first

Support and Assistance:

Every effort is made to assist students in the advanced level courses. Assistance will be available to students participating in the Pre-AP and AP classes in the form of after school tutorial, mentoring, and academic counseling. It is expected that students utilize these supports to maximize their success.

Exit Policy:

Students accepting the challenge of Pre-AP and AP courses will be expected to participate in tutorial, mentoring, and/or academic counseling if they find that they are struggling with the coursework. The teachers and guidance counselors will monitor the student progress and offer assistance as necessary. A conference involving the student, parent, teacher and counselor is required to discuss exit from a Pre-AP or AP course. If the student has demonstrated the ability to do the work (as evidenced by records and teacher observations), then he/she will remain in the advanced level class and participate in tutorial or mentoring for support. If it is determined that the course level is inappropriate for the student, then the student will be transferred to a lower level course. The current grade will transfer with the student.

We realize that Advanced Placement courses expect and demand more from students, and we are willing to accept and meet those demands.

Our signatures below indicate that we understand and accept the above expectations and policies.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date