

## ADVANCED LEVEL COURSE AGREEMENT

Advanced Level/Gifted & Talented/Pre-Advanced Placement/Advanced Placement courses challenge and enrich motivated students to expand their education beyond the typical high school program. PreAP coursework develops advanced skills and content background to prepare students for college-level work in Advanced Placement (AP) courses and on the Advanced Placement exams. Gifted & Talented Programs (GT) **require special admission** and also incorporate the PreAP/AP strategies and curriculum. Advanced level courses such as upper-level languages, anatomy, etc., while not specifically labeled Advanced Placement, offer rigorous curricula that prepares students for college. Success requires the student's commitment to the expectations of the Advanced Level Course program(s).

**Students will be expected to**

❖ Analyze, synthesize, and manipulate knowledge and skills; think critically	❖ Engage in electronically-assisted research and/or communications; increase advanced content area vocabulary; build portfolios if applicable;
❖ Budget time effectively and efficiently, develop successful study skills	❖ Utilize community and industry as resources in research projects if applicable
❖ Commit to a daily academic action plan; attend tutoring regularly if needed. Come to school early and/or staying late in order to attend tutoring	❖ Sign this agreement supporting the PreAP/GT/PreAP/AP programs and expectations.

**PLACEMENT REVIEW:** The teacher may recommend that a student be changed into a regular class if that student is encountering great difficulty with the rigorous course content. The teacher will expect a positive attitude about scholarship and assignments. Any recommended change would take place at the end of the first semester. A parent-teacher-counselor communication is required prior to withdrawal from the course. Students must also have attended tutoring with the teacher on a regular basis.

**HONOR CODE:** All students will be expected to do their own work and exhibit academic honesty.

**TEST PARTICIPATION:** Students are strongly encouraged to take the AP Exams at the end of year for all AP courses. The district may provide a reduced fee for these tests when funding is available. It is critical that students consult their individual college choices for acceptance of AP credit.

**Success requires support from ALL stakeholders: students, parents, and teachers.**

**STUDENT:** I agree to organize my time and effort to successfully complete the rigorous work in the course(s). I have read the course description(s) and agree to the college preparatory or college level requirements of the class(es). I understand that I may need to regularly attend before and/or after school tutoring.

**PARENT(S):** I understand the rigorous course requirements and agree to help my son/daughter organize study time in support of class assignments and requirements. I will notify the teacher immediately of any concern I have relating to the Honor/GT/PreAP/AP class(es). I understand that my son/daughter may need to regularly attend tutoring.

**TEACHER(S):** The teacher will conduct the course(s) at a college preparatory pace appropriate to the grade level or at a college level for AP courses as approved by the College Board and NEISD curriculum. Students and parents will be notified in a timely fashion if student work and/or assessments are unsatisfactory. The teacher will be available for tutoring.

The course(s) listed below are ones to which the student and parent agree to commit. The student may enroll in any PreAP, Advanced (Honors) Level, or AP course(s) provided the student and parent agree to the commitment on this form. GT courses require a special admission but still require signatures on this form.

**Students are encouraged to take as many rigorous courses as they can handle. Please consider carefully the time and academic requirements for both academic and extracurricular commitments.**

Course #	Course Title	Course #	Course Title

Alternate PreAP or AP Courses: These courses may be used if a scheduling conflict arises.

Course #	Course Title	Course #	Course Title

**I agree to commit the time and effort required for the rigorous courses. I understand that I may need to go for tutoring on a regular basis.**

**Student's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

For questions about this agreement, call your counselor at your campus.