## ADVANCED COLLEGE PLACEMENT

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Advanced Placement (AP) courses include only classes developed by the College Board. The courses must have prescribed curricula and tests for which students receive high school credit. Students scoring at an acceptable level on the AP examination will be eligible to receive college credit from participating institutions.

Any other course description or designation, such as "honor courses" or "early admission courses" cannot be used to comply with the AP provision under the Education Improvement Act of 1984.

All high schools with both 11th and 12th grades will offer at least one AP course through one of the following methods:

- Provide a course(s) in the school.
- Provide a course(s) through a cooperative agreement with other secondary school(s) within the district(s).
- Provide a course(s) through independent study.
- Provide a course(s) through an agreement with other district(s).

Students become eligible for enrollment in AP courses when they have successfully completed the prerequisite college preparatory course(s). All students enrolled in state-funded AP programs must take the College Board-administered examination.

**Exception:** If a student is unable to take the examination, a written explanation of the individual circumstances must be filed as part of the district's end-of-the-year AP report to the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE).

## **Requirements for Advanced Placement Teachers**

Each teacher of an AP course will have earned the specialized AP course endorsement in accordance with SCDE requirements. Newly assigned teachers of AP courses will have one calendar year to meet the AP course training requirements.

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