



Spring Branch Independent School District

PRE-AP / AP PARENT / STUDENT CONTRACT

The purpose of the Pre-AP/AP entrance and exit guidelines is to provide information to parents and students and to facilitate students' success in academically challenging courses. While Pre-AP/AP courses are open to any student wishing to enroll, parents and students should consider the profile of students who typically experience success in Pre-AP/AP courses. **The decision to enroll in Pre-AP/AP courses ultimately rests with the parents and the students.**

Pre-AP/AP classes in Spring Branch Independent School District stimulate and challenge students to perform at an advanced academic level. Therefore, Pre-AP/AP coursework requires students to engage in more independent analytical reading and writing assignments, both inside and outside the classroom.

Entrance Guidelines regarding Pre-AP/AP Courses

We encourage students who are interested in the Pre-AP/AP courses to enroll. The following guidelines provide a profile of a student who typically experiences success in Pre-AP and AP courses:

- ❖ Successful completion of prerequisite coursework
- ❖ Current or previous successful performance in related area/course
- ❖ 85th percentile or above on the most recent standardized achievement test or other district identified testing measure
- ❖ Teacher recommendation
- ❖ Careful consideration of demands of extracurricular activities, employment, community service, religious activities, and homework

Exit Information regarding Pre-AP/AP Courses

- ❖ The opportunities for a student to choose to exit a Pre-AP/AP class are limited to the end of the 1st formal grading period (six weeks or nine weeks) and at the end of the 1st semester. This decision requires parent/guardian approval.
- ❖ Students should consider exiting a Pre-AP/AP course at the end of the 1st formal grading period (six weeks or nine weeks) or at the end of the 1st semester if they are not maintaining at least a "C" average.
- ❖ If the student's grade in a Pre-AP/AP course falls below a 70 (failing) at the end of any formal grading period (six weeks or nine weeks), the student will be removed from the Pre-AP course unless otherwise recommended by the building principal. Campus personnel will recommend reassignment from an AP course to a Grade Level course.

Spring Branch ISD takes pride in offering a strong curriculum in all courses. If a schedule change to a Grade Level class occurs, the student will continue to experience quality learning opportunities designed to effectively prepare him or her for high school and college curriculum.

I understand the entrance and exit guidelines pertaining to participation in Pre-AP/AP courses in SBISD.

Student's Signature	Parent's Signature	Date
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Principal's Signature	Counselor's Signature
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Please check (☑) each Pre-AP/AP class in which you are currently enrolled:

- English
 Math
 Science
 Social Studies
 Elective(s)
 None