

South County High School Expectations for Advanced Placement Courses

1. Select the AP Course:	2. Quantify the amount of reading per week.	3. How many # hours of study/homework per class should a student spend on this class?	4. Describe the frequency of Tests, Essays/Timed Writings, Papers etc for this course.	5. Identify the number of Major Projects for this course, if any.	6. Does this course have a required summer assignment? If yes, how much time is required to complete it? (you may describe the assignment)
AP Art 3-D Design	none	1 hour each class	1 essay/quarter, 2-4 short written evaluations per quarter	Minimum 20 per year for the AP Portfolio Exam	1 artist research, 1 museum/gallery visit, 2 sculptural projects
AP Biology	two hours per week	1 hour	Test every three weeks, one lab essay per unit, one quiz per unit	one project per quarter	Yes, students read Survival of the Sickest and complete a study guide. There is a test on the book during the first month of school
AP Calculus AB	5-7 pages per class	1 hour per class	~2 per month	Problem Set at least once per quarter, workbook assignment for every unit, Volume project in Unit 6, Post AP Exam project	~8 page assignment on prerequisite skills, Assessment given during the first 2 weeks of school
AP Calculus BC	1 hr	1 - 2 hour	Usually 2 or 3 tests per quarter, 1 workbook or problem set or project per unit.	2 projects	yes-- there is a summer review packet that is required. It takes takes approximately 2 hours to complete.
AP Chemistry	30 - 50 pages	1 - 2 hour	Weekly homework. 1 - 2 post laboratory assignments per chapter. 1 test per chapter, ~ 4 chapters per quarter.	1 Risk/Benefit Analysis P	A chemistry I review assignment requiring ~ 6 hours.
AP Computer Science	15-20 pages per week	1.5 hours per class	1 Test per 2 weeks, 1 Quiz per 2 weeks, 3 Programs per 2 weeks	none	none

AP Economics	30-50 pages per week	~1 hour per class	Daily/weekly reading quizzes, 2-4 graded timed writings per quarter, 2-3 tests per quarter	~1-2 projects per quarter	none
AP Environmental Science	3 hours	1 hour	Tests:2-3 Quarter, Timed Writings: once a week	2-3 per quarter	Yes. I'm unsure about the time as I did not assign the summer assignment.
AP French Language	5-10 pages per story/fable or 2-3 per article; 10-20 pages in college level grammar textbook(s)	~1 hour per night	Weekly vocabulary/grammar quizzes, conversation and lab practice, check of reading comprehension, 2 timed writings per quarter, a midterm and final exam	Présentation d'un Auteur, Présentation d'un Artiste	Write an autobiography in French as a presentation of themselves, read and summarize a Francophon story or legend/fable, prepare to present a significant photograph orally the first week of school (~2 hours).
AP Human Geography	30-50 pages per week	1 hour per class	2-3 tests per quarter, 2 weekly reading quizzes, 1-2 APA style papers per quarter	1-2 projects per quarter	none
AP Japanese	Short readings per class	1 hour per class	Kanji characters and vocabulary quizzes every week, 1 essay every other week	Cultural projects/presentation	Readings in the language with comprehension questions

AP Language	between 150-200 pages per week	1 - 2 hour	1-2 summative assessments per quarter; 2-3 timed writings per quarter; biweekly quizzes; daily writing assignments; 1-2 novels assigned per quarter.	3-4 major projects	Yes. Students choose a fiction work deemed of literary merit by an American author. Amount of time required for completion varies based on student selection; however, there is no other component to the assignment other than simply reading a self-selected text.
AP Latin	60-90 lines of Latin	1 hour	Tests occur every four weeks. Timed essays occur about once every other month. There are no papers.	There is one major project	Yes, students need to read the Aeneid and Odyssey in English over the summer. The time for this will vary from student to student.
AP Literature	20 to 30 pages per night	1 hour	3 to 4 timed writings or writing based projects per quarter	2 to 4 per year	The requirement is to read an award winning novel.
AP Music Theory	1 chapter every 3-4 classes	1 hour for written theory/15 minutes training	Daily quizzes, test every 3-4 classes	APX 1/quarter	None
AP Physics 1	2 hours	1 hour	7 Unit Exams per year, about 2 per Quarter	1 Final Project	No
AP Physics 2	1 chapter every 4-6 classes	1 hour per class	Chapter Tests, Timed Tests, Practice AP timed tests	none	none
AP Physics C	About 15 pages	1 - 2 hour	Two tests per qtr. Two Labs per qtr. Quiz number varies	One End of Year	No
AP Psychology	30-50 pages per week	1 hour per class	Daily quizzes and/or note checks, 4-5 tests with timed essays per quarter	~1 project per quarter	Summer reading/writing assignment, book related to psychology with written assessment

AP Spanish Language & Cul	Reading is done during class time and outside class time. The amount of reading outside the classroom could be not more than 2	1 hour	Persuasive essays may be done twice a quarter, but small or timed writings are done in class on a regular basis.	There will be three major projects in the year, usually during the first, second, and third quarters.	This class has a summer assignment. Each year the assignment varies. Usually it will required less than 10 hours to be completed.
AP Statistics	~20 pages	~1 to 1.5 hours per clas	3-4 Tests per quarter, Midterm and Final Exam	1 Final Project after the AP Exam, 1+ project per quarter	Complete the first chapter in the review book
AP Studio Art 2-D/Drawing	none	1-2 hours per night	1 essay/quarter	Minimum 24 per year for the AP Portfolio Exam	Research 3 different artists from 3 different centuries. List mediums, techniques, and concepts you would like to explore for your concentration. Create 12 drawings that explore your chosen theme.
AP US Government	30-50 pages per week	1 hour per class	Weekly critical analysis of current events, 2-3 tests per quarter, 5-6 quizzes per quarter, 1-2 times essays per quarter	Election Project, Model Congress, Research Paper, Community Service Activity	Summer reading/writing assignment distributed at the end of the year, nonfiction book with written assessment
AP US History	60-75 pages per week	1-2 hours per class	2-3 Tests per quarter, 2-3 grades timed writings per quarter	FOCUS used for essay/document reading skills, Culminating project at the end of the year	Summer reading and assignment provided at the end of the school year
AP World Histroy	20 pages-30	1 hour	5 during the year multiple choice, essays 2/quarter, SAQ bi-weekly	1-2	no
AP World Histroy	every evening about 30 pages per week	1 hour	monthly	none until after the exam, but lots of timed essays	no