

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) HONORS PROGRAM**  
**2011-2012 Application**  
**First Coast High School**

**General Information**

Duval County Public Schools Advanced Placement (AP) Honors program is a rigorous academic program where students take at least nine AP courses between grades nine (9) and twelve (12). The AP Honors Program challenges students to display exceptional achievement on AP Exams across several disciplines. AP courses are taught at a college level and each course is concluded by a comprehensive exam created by the College Board. Students who enroll in an Advanced Placement course are required to take the AP exam. In general, postsecondary credit for an AP course may be awarded to students who score a minimum of a 3 on a 5-point scale on the corresponding AP exam; however, qualifying scores may vary by university and by college within a university. Students in the AP Honors program must complete a minimum of the following AP courses: World History, US History, Macro or Micro Economics, US Government and Politics, English Literature, English Language, one AP science, one AP mathematics course, and one elective AP course.

**CRITERIA AND CONTINUATION INFORMATION**

<b>Admission Criteria</b>	<b>Continuation Criteria</b>
Unweighted GPA of 2.0 or above	Unweighted GPA of 2.0 or above
Successful completion of Algebra I	Pass all classes each year
Signature of Parent and student on contract of understanding	Complete the required AP courses each year and take the required AP exam
	District probation procedure applies



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Advanced Placement (AP) Course Sequence

Curriculum Area	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English	English 1 Honors	English 2 Honors	AP English Language	AP English Literature
Social Studies	AP Human Geography (AP elective)	AP World History	AP American History	AP Macro or Micro Economics <u>and</u> AP US Government and Politics
Science	Biology 1 Honors	Chemistry 1 Honors	Physics Honors	AP Biology/Biology 2 <b>or</b> AP Chemistry/Chem 2 <b>or</b> AP Physics/Physics 2 <b>or</b> AP Environmental Science
Mathematics	Geometry Honors Or Algebra 2 Honors	Algebra 2 Honors Or Pre-Calculus	Pre-Calculus Or AP Statistics Or Calculus AB	AP Calculus AB Or AP Statistics Or AP Calculus BC
World Language	World Language	World Language		
Other Requirements	Fine Arts (any grade)		HOPE (PE/Health)	
Major Area of Interest (MAI)	In order to fulfill the MAI requirement, students must complete 4 credits in their selected MAI by graduation.			
Electives	Elective may be taken as schedule permits			

Promotion Requirements: (In order to graduate students must earn a 2.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale, pass 10<sup>th</sup> grade FCAT, and earn 24 required credits)

- To grade 10: 5 credits including 1 English or 1 mathematics
- To grade 11: 12 credits including 2 English and any combination of 2 mathematics and/or science
- To grade 12: 18 credits including 3 English and any combination of 4 math and/or science, 1.5 GPA or above, Level 2 or higher on FCAT Science SSS