

# Honors & AP English Application for 2012-2013

## What can I expect in Honors & AP?

English 2 Honors (sophomore year) class is designed as a preparatory course for Junior Advanced Placement (A.P.) Language, and Senior A.P. Literature. The rigor of the class is much higher than a non-honors course. You can expect additional homework, reading assignments, and higher expectations for class participation.

Both Junior and Senior A.P. courses, in content, workload and expectations, are *college courses* with the possibility that the student may earn college credit while still in high school.

In addition, all students who are assigned an Honors/AP class agree to complete a preparatory summer assignment.

## How are students selected for Honors & AP?

There are four minimum qualifications a student must meet in order to be considered for advanced English courses:

- 1) Teacher Recommendation
- 2) A semester grade of B- or better in their last completed English class
- 3) Overall GPA
- 4) STAR test score demonstrating proficiency in English over the span of two years.  
See your current English teacher for scores.

The Honors/AP Program is a yearlong commitment. Changes during the semester are unlikely. It is important to note that *class space is limited, and all qualified students may not be placed in an advanced class.* In these cases, teacher recommendation, grades, GPA, and STAR test scores will be vital in determining which students are *most qualified*, and thus most deserving of placement.

## How can I apply for Honors or AP?

Please indicate your desire to be placed in an advanced class by signing below, and *returning this to your current English teacher by **February 17th.*** Being responsible for deadlines is an essential part of advanced classes; *no request forms will be accepted after the deadline.* If you have questions, please contact your current English teacher. Thank you.

**Students must fill out this section.**

**Please circle the desired course:**            **10<sup>th</sup> Honors**            **11<sup>th</sup> AP**            **12<sup>th</sup> AP**

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade at semester    \_\_\_\_\_ Current G.P.A    \_\_\_\_\_ STAR Test. See teacher before marking.

Student (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher in your last completed semester \_\_\_\_\_

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Teacher Recommendation: This form must be completely filled out by the student and the recommending teacher. No late forms to the Department Chair after deadline.

Teacher Recommendation: \_\_\_ Definite Candidate \_\_\_ Good Candidate \_\_\_ Acceptable \_\_\_ Not an appropriate placement

Reason (check all that apply): \_\_\_ Grade below B- \_\_\_ Attendance issues \_\_\_ Behavior \_\_\_ STAR test scores do not meet minimum.

\_\_\_ Other with explanation below    Notes: