



Jackson High School
Honors and Advanced Placement
2015-2016

Entrance Criteria:

Students must meet the following criteria to enroll in Honors/ Advanced Placement (AP) Courses.

1. Teacher recommendation from your **current** teacher of the subject for which you are applying for Honors/AP status. (AP Coordinator will notify teachers for recommendations).
2. Previous course grade in the subject for which you are applying for Honors/AP status must be a 90 or above (If an Honors or Accelerated Course, the minimum grade accepted is 81).

Mandatory Requirements:

1. AP Courses may have a corresponding summer assignment. The summer assignment is designed to prepare the student for the rigorous coursework during the upcoming year. As a result, the assignment must be completed and presented to the teacher by the date stipulated by the specific teacher.
2. Signed Honors/ AP Application by both the parent and student must be submitted by the deadline.
3. The parent/guardian will support and encourage the student's full participation in these areas and will attend any required informational meetings for Honors/AP students.
4. Semester grades earned in Honors Courses will be weighted by adding 5 bonus points. Semester grades earned in AP courses will be weighted by adding 10 bonus points. If a student is failing at the end of a semester, he/she will not be awarded any bonus points. The State of Georgia does not consider bonus points when assessing high school students for Hope Scholarship eligibility.
5. Students enrolled in AP courses are expected to take the Advanced Placement exam. If a student does not take the exam, they will not receive the 10 point adjustment and will not receive AP credit on their transcript.
6. In order to be eligible for Honors or AP courses, any student desiring to enroll in such courses is required to participate in all state-mandated assessments via the Georgia Milestones Assessment Program in the prior year (if they were a Georgia student in the prior year). Exceptions due to previously documented medical or religious reasons will be considered on a case-by-case basis.