

NHS Advanced Placement (AP) Course Commitment Form

Name: _____

Grade for the 18-19 School Year: _____

The Advanced Placement (AP) Program is a rigorous academic program that allows students to take college-level coursework while they're still in high school.

What are the benefits*?

- Build college-level skills
- Stand out in college admissions
- Earn college credits - parents and students are encouraged to visit college and university websites to view their credit policies
- Skip introductory college classes

To be successful in an AP class you should be...

- motivated, independent and disciplined in your studies
- an enthusiastic and dedicated student
- interested in pushing your limits, growing your content knowledge and gaining deeper knowledge
- willing to experience curriculum taught through higher level thinking skills
- able to maintain balance in all areas of your life, even with the increased time commitment of AP

We understand the following...

- AP courses require a great level of time commitment
- Summer work may be assigned
- Students experiencing difficulty in AP courses should seek additional assistance from their teacher
- Students who register for AP courses are expected to remain in the course for the duration of the course (either semester or year). Exceptions to this will require administrative approval and will only be made in extenuating circumstances.
- Students enrolled in AP courses will be required to take the AP exam in May. Cost of the exam is currently \$94 and is subject to change from year to year. Financial assistance is available for students who demonstrate financial need.
- Academic Honesty and commitment to uphold the NHS Honor Code are expected of all students at Niwot High School.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

This form must be returned by the date of your registration confirmation session. See dates below:

Current Grade Level	Bring form to this class	On this date (Day 1 / Day 2)
Juniors	Government & TOK	February 5 / February 6
Sophomores	English	February 7 / February 8
Freshmen	Biology	February 9 / February 12

Questions? Talk to NHS AP teachers, your counselor or visit <https://ap.collegeboard.org/> for more information.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Course Commitment Form
Return this form to your registration confirmation session

Individual IB Courses can provide access to IB programming for all students who can benefit from the educational experience these courses can provide. IB courses are available on Standard Level (SL) and Higher Level (HL) each requiring instructional seat time: 150 hours for SL courses and 240 instructional hours for HL courses. College credit for IB courses is awarded in accordance with individual college policies pertaining to awarding college credit for any course work completed in high school.

By signing you (student and parent/guardian) acknowledge the following:

- Article 9 of the *General regulations-Diploma Programme (first examinations May 2015)* addresses the Diploma Programme Course Candidates: “9.1 Candidates who study and are assessed for IB subjects, but choose not to take the entire IB Diploma, are referred to as Diploma Programme Course Candidates (“DP Course Candidates”). DP Course Candidates receive Diploma Programme Course Results (DP Course Results).” *General regulations-Diploma Programme (first examinations May 2015)* document posted on the NHS website under the IB tab outlines in detail all IB requirements and is a mandatory reading for IB students and parents/guardians.
- IB Course Candidate is responsible for maintaining the IB required course requirements including both the internal and external assessments understanding that IB will not grant an IB score when either assessment component is missing.
- IB registration and associated IB exam costs are the responsibility of the student. IB exam fees include the IB registration fee and the IB exam fees. May 2018 IB examination session: \$172 (IB registration fee) and \$119 (each individual IB exam cost). These fees are subject to change each year. Financial assistance is available for students who demonstrate financial need. In addition, NHS students can participate in the KS fundraising to offset these cost. If interested, contact the NHS IB Office.
- Academic Honesty and commitment to uphold the NHS Honor Code are expected of all students at Niwot High School.

STUDENT LAST NAME (PRINT): _____ **FIRST NAME (PRINT):** _____

Please indicate the HL and SL IB classes you intend to take during your Junior and or Senior years.

HL COURSES:

TESTING YEAR (PLEASE CIRCLE)

		MAY 2020
		MAY 2020
		MAY 2020

SL COURSES:

	MAY 2019	MAY 2020
	MAY 2019	MAY 2020
	MAY 2019	MAY 2020

STUDENT SIGNATURE & DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE & DATE: _____

COUNSELOR INITIAL & DATE: _____

IB DP COORDINATOR INITIAL & DATE: _____