# TURKEYFOOT VALLEY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT

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#### 147. ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAMS

1. Purpose

The Turkeyfoot Valley Area School District supports the concept that the Advanced Placement (AP) Program is based on the premise that college-level material can be taught successfully to able and well-prepared secondary school students.

2. Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee will establish procedures in order to ensure the integrity of the Advanced Placement Program.

3. Guidelines

#### **Justification**

Since AP courses are offered to prepare students for the Advanced Placement Examination, students who take an AP course must take the College Board AP Exam in order to receive the AP designation on their high school transcript and receive the weighted credit value as per TVASD policy. Students who elect not to take the AP Exam will receive weighted credit value for the course as per TVASD policy and it will be listed as an honors course on the transcript.

#### Qualifications for AP Courses:

In order to be eligible for the course, students must be a Junior or Senior and:

- a. Be on the TVASD Honor Roll for the semester prior to enrolling in the course.
- b. Have an 85% or higher in their related course. (If wishing to take an AP history course, their history grade at TVASD must be 85% or higher).
- c. Receive a recommendation from their class room teacher in the related subject.
- d. As the courses are online, students will be able to access the course during the school day. It is important to note that the

- online instructor may well have additional time requirements which the student must meet.
- e. AP courses will be taken in addition to the required TVASD courses.
- f. Sign and return the AP course agreement form which may be obtained from the guidance office.

## Expenses:

It is the responsibility of the parent/student to pay for text books, and other materials needed for the course(s).

It is the responsibility of the parent/student to pay for the cost of the AP exam and related expenses.

The parent/student must make a 200.00 dollar deposit to the district prior to being enrolled in an AP course. This deposit will be returned in full if the student maintains a 70% or higher in the course and completes the course. Otherwise, the deposit will be retained by the district and placed toward the cost of tuition.

### References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510