Social Studies Advanced Placement Criteria

Note: All students accepted into social studies AP courses must maintain a minimum B+ average for Regents courses and a B average for current AP courses by the end of the school year. If a student's average falls below this requirement, that student must appeal for re-entry into the course.

Entrance Criteria for AP United States History, AP Government, AP Psychology and AP Comparative Politics:

The Social Studies Department will use the following criteria for entrance into all of our AP courses.

Students who apply for entrance will be given a score based on current, former and future teacher recommendations. The department will consider current and past grades on formative and summative assessments including written and oral work. The recommendation will be as follows:

- 5 Strongly Agree
- 4 Agree
- 3 Reservations
- 2 Disagree
- 1 Strongly Disagree

All students who receive a 5 or a 4 will be enrolled in the AP course.

Students who receive a 3 have the option to appeal. The appeal process will be with the department and will include an entrance test.

Students who receive a 2 or 1 will not be given a department appeal and will need to wait until June for the principal's appeal. This too will include an entrance test.