

TAMALPAIS HIGH SCHOOL
AP/HONORS/SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMISSIONS MATRIX

We encourage our students to challenge themselves with advanced courses of studies in order to prepare for post secondary schooling and career experiences. All students who are willing and academically prepared to accept the challenge of a rigorous academic curriculum should consider taking an AP or Honors courses. Students can get more information at a meeting in January or by reaching out to the teachers listed as contacts for the respective courses.

Math			
Honors Adv. Algebra		Mrs. Brindley mbrindley@tamdistrict.org	Consultation with current teacher. B or better in Fall semester Geometry. C-or better in H Adv. Algebra 1 to continue H Adv. Alg. 2
Honors Pre-Calculus		Ms. Baumgartner wbaumgartner@tamdistrict.org	Recommendation from Advanced Algebra teacher AND a reasonable score in class diagnostic.
AP Calculus AB or BC		Mrs. Proksch sproksch@tamdistrict.org	Successful completion of PreCalculus. C or better in first semester to continue to second semester.
AP Statistics		Ms. Baumgartner wbaumgartner@tamdistrict.org	C or better in first semester to continue to second semester
English			
AP English Literature	In English Class	See Current English Teacher	Completion of English 3-4
AP English Language	In English Class	See Current English Teacher	Completion of English 3-4
Science			
Honors Physics		Mr. Ginsburg jginsburg@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Physics in the Universe and completion of or concurrent enrollment in Advanced Algebra. Suggested GPA of 3.0 or better in your previous math classes. Any student eligible for regular physics may enroll in honors. Admittance will be granted after students complete all honors requirements and maintain an 85% in the course during the first unit. See teacher for more details. This course is embedded in Physics 1-2.
Honors Physiology		Ms. Backer gbacker@tamdistrict.org	Any student eligible for regular physiology may enroll in honors. Admittance will be granted after students complete all honors requirements and maintain an 85% in the course during the first unit. See teacher for more details. This course is embedded in Physiology 1-2.
AP Biology		Ms. Valentine lvalentine@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Living Earth. Concurrent enrollment in Chemistry or Physiology, OR teacher permission.
AP Environmental Science (APES)		Mr. Brow qbrow@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Physics in the Universe, Living Earth, and completion of or concurrent enrollment in Chemistry in the Earth System. Concurrent Enrollment in Advanced Algebra is strongly recommended.

AP Chemistry		Mr. McBride smcbride@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Chemistry and Advanced Algebra
Visual and Performing Arts			
AP Studio Art: 2-D Design- Photo	During class or with instructor	Ms. Krawczyk mkrawczyk@tamdistrict.org	Seniors Only. Completion of Photo 1-2, or teacher permission/approval. Summer assignment strongly encouraged.
Honors Photography	No testing or required meeting	Ms. Krawczyk mkrawczyk@tamdistrict.org	Open to all Juniors and Seniors, who have completed Photo 1-2 or teacher permission.
AP Studio Art: 3-D	Interview during class or contact instructor	Ms. Douglas gdouglas@tamdistrict.org	Seniors Only. Completion of Honors Ceramics or Ceramics 4-5 and teacher permission. Summer assignment strongly encouraged.
Honors Ceramics	Interview during class or contact instructor	Ms. Douglas gdouglas@tamdistrict.org	Juniors and Seniors only. Completion of Ceramics 2-3 or teacher permission.
AP Studio Art: Drawing & 2-D Design	Interview during class or contact instructor	Mr. Gilmour zgilmour@tamdistrict.org	Seniors only. Completion of Drawing and Painting 4-6 (or Honors 4-5) or Advanced Graphic Design or with teacher approval.
Honors Drawing/Painting	Interview During class or contact instructor	Mr. Gilmour zgilmour@tamdistrict.org	Juniors and Seniors only. Completion of Drawing/Painting 2-3 or Advanced Graphic Design.
AP Art History	No testing or required meeting	Ms. Keenan-Grice ekeenangrice@tamdistrict.org	Open to all Juniors and Seniors. Sophomores may be admitted with permission of instructor.
Honors Theater Directing & Honors Advanced Drama 5-8	Interview in drama class	Mr. Cleaveland Mr. Parish bcleaveland@tamdistrict.org pparish@tamdistrict.org	Concurrent enrollment in Stagecraft 1-2 or 3-4 is required. Prerequisite: Successful completion of Drama 3-4 and/or the instructor's permission with portfolio review.
Applied Tech			
AP Computer Principles		Ms. Kennedy kkennedy@tamdistrict.org	None
AP Computer Science A		Ms. Kennedy kkennedy@tamdistrict.org	None
World Languages			
AP French Language	In class	Ms. Bellman cbellman@tamdistrict.org	Completion of French ½ and/or consultation with instructor.
Spanish 7-8 H	No meeting required	Ms. Lopez-Rahimi hlopezrahimi@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Spanish ½ and/or consultation with instructor. Honors Spanish ¾ will be embedded into Spanish ¾ classes.
AP Spanish Language		Mr. Joseph tjoseph@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Spanish ¾ and/or consultation with instructor.

AP Spanish Literature		Ms. Lopez Rahimi hlopezrahimi@tamdistrict.org	Completion of Spanish for Spanish Speakers 3-4 or AP Spanish Language and Culture; Spanish 7-8 with teacher recommendation.
Spanish for Spanish Speakers 3-4 Honors		Mr. Aparicio aaparicio@tamdistrict.org	Passing grade for Spanish Speakers 1/2 and/or teacher recommendation.
Spanish 1-8 - Regular			Recommended Placement Criteria
Social Studies			
AP European History		Mr. Garfink cgarfink@tamdistrict.org	Completion of English 1-4 and World History. Juniors and Seniors only.
AP U.S History		Ms. Dolan jdolan@tamdistrict.org	Completion of English 1-4 and World History. Juniors and Seniors only.
AP African American Studies		Ms. Ceja-Chau mcejachau@tamdistrict.org	Completion of English 1-4 and World History. Juniors and Seniors only.
Honors US History	Only available in AIM	Ms. Scharf sscharf@tamdistrict.org	AIM acceptance required. Earns extra grade point for UCs & CSUs. This course is embedded in US History 1-2 (AIM).