

Civics and Government Institute • Contract for Advanced Placement or Honors Level History

How AP and Honors grades affect your GPA:

Points earned toward your GPA in an:

Grade Earned	AP Class	Honors Class
A	5.0	4.5
B	4.0	3.5
C	3.0	2.5
D	2.0	1.5
F	0.0	0.0

For Example:

An 'A' in an Honors class would earn 4.5 points toward a GPA, while a 'B' in an AP class would earn a 4.0 toward a GPA.

**Advanced Placement Class Standards, Assignments & Expectations:**

1. All assignments, tests and projects are representative of an entry-level college history course and are graded as such.
2. All assignments are completed on time and must be handed in on the day due.  
NO LATE WORK is accepted – no exceptions!
3. At least one Document Based Question (DBQ) is assigned each quarter. These mini-research essays are an essential component to the AP Curriculum.
4. At least one 5 – 8 page research paper utilizing multiple, various, non-internet sources
5. Quizzes based upon readings from the text, *The American Pageant*, as well as frequent supplemental readings
6. AP Credit/Designation is granted only after completion of the AP Exam in May of your junior year
7. There are no extra-credit assignments

**Honors Class Standards, Assignments & Expectations:**

1. All assignments, tests and projects are representative of a higher-level high school history course and are graded as such.
2. For each day an assignment is late a full letter grade is deducted from the final grade of that assignment.
3. At least one 3 – 4 page research paper utilizing multiple, various sources, no more than two of which may be internet based.
4. Quizzes based upon readings from the text, *The American Pageant*. Students may use their own notes taken from the text on quizzes.
5. Possible extra-credit assignments

**CONTRACT**

I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ contract for the (circle one)

**Advanced Placement level credit**

**Honors level credit**

for the Civics and Government U.S. History course for the school year \_\_\_\_\_. By contracting for the above level, I realize I will be required to meet all expectations detailed above as well as individual teacher's assignments given beyond the basic requirements outlined.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_