

# AP Capstone™

The Advanced Placement Seminar course, part of the AP Capstone diploma program, is a foundational course that will engage you in cross-curricular conversations that explore the complexities of academic and real-worlds topics by analyzing divergent perspectives. You will be expected to do the following:

- read and analyze articles, research studies, and foundational literary texts
- synthesize information from multiple sources
- develop your own perspective in research-based written essays
- design and deliver oral and visual presentations, both individually and as part of a team
- be prepared to take both classes to earn the Capstone diploma

To be successful in this class, you must have a strong work ethic and be able to meet deadlines and work with a team. **Daily ATTENDANCE is absolutely CRITICAL to your success in this class. If your attendance record is not stellar, reconsider applying for AP Capstone.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current grade level: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher you gave recommendation form to: \_\_\_\_\_

ELA Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

## Required Written Sample

**As part of the AP Seminar selection process, please type and attach to this application a short-written sample of your writing. In 300 words or more, please introduce yourself, and give specific examples that demonstrate your work ethic, your ability to meet deadlines, and your experience working as part of a team.**

### Rate yourself:

	5 high	4	3	2	1	0 low
Ability to meet deadlines						
Experience working as part of a group						
Comfort level when speaking in front of a group						
Daily attendance						
Writing strength						

### Parent Permission

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Completed application due date is by Friday, February 27th to Mrs. Glover in 3-213\* (do not turn this in with course card)**

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**Applicant:** Please give this recommendation request to a teacher of your choice. If you are in an AP class already, you **MUST** give it to that AP teacher. If you are not in an AP class, please give it to your ELA teacher.

Thank you for your honest feedback and be assured that your recommendation will NOT Be shared with the student. Please fill out this recommendation and **RETURN IT TO MY MAILBOX**. Thanks so much for your support of the AP Capstone diploma program!

## **Teacher Recommendation:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Success in this program depends on careful consideration of student aptitude.  
Please rate the student below:**

	5 high	4	3	2	1	0 low
Turns in work on time						
Work completed in a scholarly manner						
Shows comfort level when speaking in front of a group						
Excellent daily attendance						
Displays scholarly writing skills						
Ability to meet deadlines, project goals						
Ability to multi-task, follow directions, and work independently						

Do you think this student would be a good fit for the AP Seminar class?    Yes    No

## The Pinnacle of Distinction – AP Capstone Diploma

### AP Capstone Curriculum

#### AP Capstone Diploma™

Students who earn scores of 3 or higher in both of the AP Capstone courses and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing will receive the AP Capstone Diploma™.

#### AP SEMINAR

Team Project & Presentation  
Research-Based Essay & Presentation  
Written Exam

#### AP RESEARCH

Academic Thesis  
Public Presentation & Defense

4 AP COURSES & EXAMS  
(Taken at any point throughout high school)

#### AP Seminar and Research Certificate™

Students who earn scores of 3 or higher in both of the AP Capstone courses but not on the four additional AP Exams will receive the AP Seminar and Research Certificate™, signifying successful performance in those courses.

**AP Capstone is a highly competitive and selective entry diploma program. You must earn the AP Capstone Diploma to earn 100% Bright Futures (specific AP courses required).**

#### **The following criteria are required:**

- Parental permission
- A completed application
- An essay (serves as a writing sample)
- An AP or ELA teacher recommendation
- Excellent attendance**

#### **Any Questions? Come ask us!**

Mrs. Glover, AP Seminar (3-213)

Mr. Glover, AP Research (3-215)