

# Advanced Academics 2023-2024



Warren and CCA High School



## Types of Advanced Academics Courses

### Advanced/Honors

- Formerly known as “Pre-AP”
- Moderately rigorous courses that prepare students to move up to fast-paced AP, Dual Credit, or On Ramps courses
- *5 weighted points*

### AP

- “Advanced Placement”
- Governed by the College Board
- Reading/writing intensive college prep classes
- Students must score a 3, 4, or 5 on the AP Exam to be eligible for college credit
- *8 weighted points*

### Dual Credit

- Students are dually enrolled at Northwest Vista
- Reading/writing intensive college prep classes
- Students must maintain a passing average for the semester/year to earn college credit
- *5 weighted points*

### OnRamps

- Students are dually enrolled through The University of Texas at Austin
- Students are awarded college credit based on their cumulative average at the end of the course
- *8 weighted points*

# Opportunities to earn college credit

	AP	Dual Credit	OnRamps
<b>Course Limits</b>	There are no limits as to how many AP courses a student can take.	A Student can earn credit for 14 college courses before high school graduation through Dual Credit	There are no limits as to how many OnRamps courses a student can take.
<b>Earning Credit</b>	College credit is earned by passing the AP exam.	College credit is earned by passing the course	College credit is earned by passing the COLLEGE course.
<b>Placement Test</b>	There are no placement tests to qualify for AP courses.	Dual Students must pass the TSI (or other placement test) to qualify.	There are no placement tests to qualify for OnRamps courses.
<b>Credit Transfer</b>	AP credit can be awarded nationally. Students should check with colleges to see how credits align to their university and major of study.	Dual Credit can be awarded statewide, but students would have to check with colleges out of state	OnRamps credit can be awarded nationally. Students should check with colleges to see how credits align to their university and major of study.

# AP: Teacher Qualifications

- ❑ Certified high school teachers
- ❑ Attend AP Summer Institutes and various AP trainings
- ❑ Some AP teachers are College Board Readers who read and grade exams across the nation

# AP: What is it?

- AP courses expose students to college rigor, and allow them to **earn college credit by passing an AP exam (score 3 or higher)**.
- Students pay for AP exams in the Fall per College Board Deadlines.
- Exams paid for after the registration deadline, will incur a College Board late order fee of **\$40 per exam in addition to the exam fee**.
- College Board Unused/canceled exam fee:
  - **\$40 fee**-Student drops an AP course after ordering AP exam
  - **\$40 fee**-Student does not show up/does not take the AP exam that was ordered
- Students take the AP exams in early May, and get the scores in early July.

# 2023-2024 AP EXAM SCHEDULE



## WEEK 1



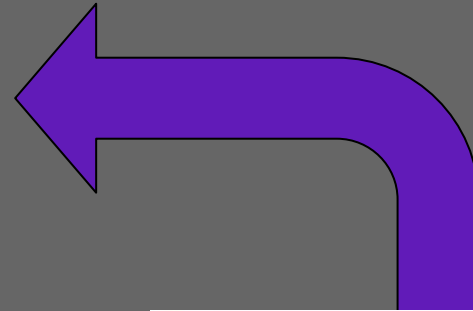
<b>MONDAY MAY 6TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM US GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS 12:00 PM CHEMISTRY</b>
<b>TUESDAY MAY 7TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM HUMAN GEOGRAPHY</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY MAY 8TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM ENGLISH LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION</b>
<b>THURSDAY MAY 9TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE 12:00 PM PSYCHOLOGY</b>
<b>FRIDAY MAY 10TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM UNITED STATES HISTORY 12:00 PM MACROECONOMICS *ART 2-D, 3-D, AND DRAWING SUBMISSION DEADLINE*</b>



## WEEK 2



<b>MONDAY MAY 13TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM CALCULUS AB</b>
<b>TUESDAY MAY 14TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY MAY 15TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM WORLD HISTORY 12:00 PM MUSIC THEORY</b>
<b>THURSDAY MAY 16TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE 12:00 PM BIOLOGY</b>
<b>FRIDAY MAY 17TH</b>	<b>8:00 AM PHYSICS 1 12:00 PM PHYSICS 2</b>



# OnRamps: Teacher Qualifications

- Certified high school teacher and a college professor
- Not required to have a Master's Degree
- Complete extensive OnRamps trainings year-round

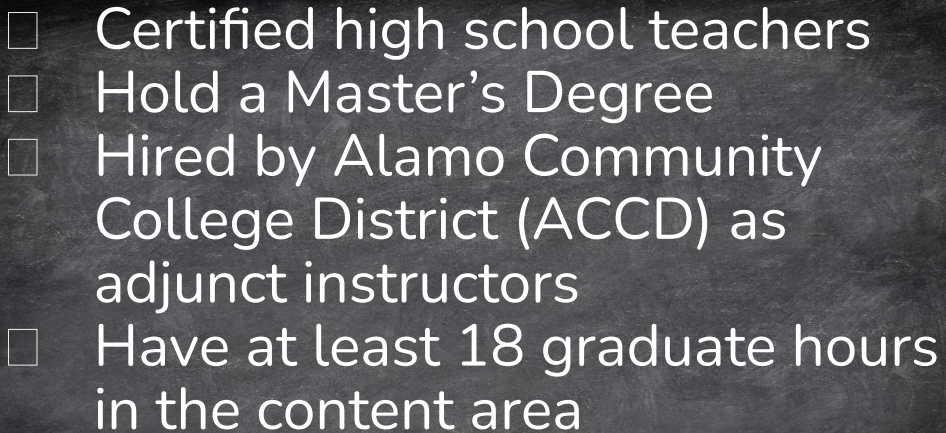
# OnRamps: What is it?

- Students earn college credit from UT Austin.
- Students engage with high-quality content and build digital literacy skills using the same tools as UT students.
- Students earn **TWO** grades (high school and college). These grades do **NOT** have to match.
- Students will choose towards the end of the school year if they want to accept the college credit or not.





# Dual Credit: Teacher Qualifications

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- Certified high school teachers
  - Hold a Master's Degree
  - Hired by Alamo Community College District (ACCD) as adjunct instructors
  - Have at least 18 graduate hours in the content area

# Dual Credit: What is it?

- Dual Credit allows students to earn **both high school and college credit simultaneously** at their high school.
- **College credit is awarded** as long as the student earns a **70 or higher each semester**.
- Awarding of college credit comes from a local community college (**Northwest Vista College - ACCD**).
- Can take up to **14 courses or earn up 42 hours of college credit**
- Majority of courses available to **Junior & Senior** students

# Dual Credit: STEPS

- **STEP 1:** ApplyTexas – online application; students can do this at school with Mrs. Kohn; **DUE March 22nd**
- **STEP 2:** Go FAARR & Test Prep Modules, Dual Credit Orientation, & Parent Consent Form – must be completed before students take the TSI; **DUE APRIL 22nd**
- **STEP 3:** TSI exam – computer-based exam that determines eligibility to take college level courses **Testing dates and deadline TBA**

# Thank You

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