Nevada Union High School Advanced Placement Course Contract

To enroll in an AP or Honors course for the 2020-2021 school year, this document must be signed and returned to your counselor. In order to ensure that our students are making an informed decision regarding enrollment in AP and Honors classes, Nevada Union High School needs both the student and their parent/guardian(s) signature on the contract. Please read this document in its entirety.

AP courses only: The Advanced Placement (AP) Program is an academic program of college-level courses for high school students. Students enrolled in an AP course can take the College Board AP Exam and have an opportunity to earn college credit. Each college’s policy is different, but most require a minimum AP score of a 4 or 3 to receive college credit. We recommend that students should check their preferred colleges’ websites for credit criteria. Course descriptions as outlined by the CollegeBoard may be viewed at http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/subjects.html.

We are delighted that you are considering enrolling in an AP or Honors class, and we desire to provide you with information to facilitate student success in these courses.

- AP and Honors courses require students to use analytical thinking, reading, writing, and problem-solving skills. The curriculum for an AP or Honors course is challenging and demands more effort, time, and skills than standard courses.
- It is important for students to thrive and find the right balance in commitments. Careful consideration should be given when taking AP and Honors classes with regards to the demands of co-curricular activities, employment, community service, etc.
- Most AP and Honors courses have summer homework that is essential for preparation and must be completed before the first day of class. This homework will be available on the Nevada Union website throughout the Summer. Students will not be allowed to drop the course if they do not complete the Summer assignments.
- AP and Honors course grades are calculated on the weighted GPA scale. Students with a C- or higher will earn an additional 1.0 towards their GPA.
- Nevada Union is committed to providing an environment that ensures all students have equal access and opportunity to take AP and Honors courses. As such, students will not be allowed to drop an AP or Honors course after August 10, 2020.
By initialing below, I understand the requirements of enrolling in this/these Advanced Placement
and/or Course(s); and my parents/guardian and I agree to the following terms:

_____ 1. The demands of an AP and/or Honors course exceed those of a general college prep
course, and I am committed to the extra effort needed to succeed in each course.

_____ 2. I realize that an AP or Honors course is a year-long commitment and I will not be
allowed to withdraw from the course after **August 10, 2020**.

_____ 3. I understand that by enrolling in an AP or Honors course I will earn an additional 1.0
towards my GPA by earning a grade of C- or better. It is highly encouraged to take the AP exam
at the end of the year and college credit will depend on my preferred colleges' criteria.

_____ 4. I realize that the AP exams will cost approximately $100 for each exam, with the
possibility of a fee reduction if I qualify.

_____ 5. I realize that I must abide by the conditions set forth in the course syllabus (e.g.,
attendance, grading and make-up policies).

_____ 6. After reading the course description for each AP and/or course, I am confident that I
have the skills and dedication necessary to be successful in the course(s) listed below:

   Course title: __________________________
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PRINT Student Name and ID
#:____________________________________________________

Student signature and date:
______________________________________________________

PRINT Parent/Guardian
Name:____________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian signature and date:______________________________