

AP Human Geography Instructions & Information

1. Complete Forms (Incomplete informational sheets will not be considered) (check each item off to ensure you have a completed form)

- Social Studies Grade for 1st semester
- Current Social Studies Grade
- Language Arts Grade for 1st semester
- Current Language Arts Grade
- Parent Signature**
- Student Signature
- Paragraph**
- Homeroom teacher's name
- Student number
- ITBS Reading Score broken down in Comprehension and Vocabulary

2. Required paragraph

- ❖ Explains why you want to take AP Human Geography
- ❖ Must be typed
- ❖ Paragraphs are usually five to seven sentences long

3. Deadline

- ❖ Must have paragraph and completed informational sheet turned into your Social Studies teacher by **2/9/12**

What does AP mean?

- ❖ AP stands for Advanced Placement. The College Board made it possible for high school students to get a jump on College. Students may take AP courses throughout high school. Upon successful completion of the AP Exams in May and depending on the student's scores, the student may graduate high school with college credit.

Why an AP class as a Freshman?

- ❖ Challenges the student
- ❖ Helps the student to develop better study skills
- ❖ May get college credit while in High School
- ❖ Prepares the student for future AP classes in High School
- ❖ In classes with other students who want to learn

ADVANCED PLACEMENT INFORMATIONAL SHEET

9th Grade Human Geography

This form needs to be returned to your 8th Grade Teacher no later than 2/9/12

Name _____ Homeroom Teacher _____
SAT Score _____ (if Taken) Student Number _____
8th Grade ITBS Reading Comprehension ____ Vocab ____ Reading Total ____

This year's 1st semester Social Studies Grade & Teacher

Current grade in Social Studies _____

This year's 1st semester Language Arts teacher, and grade (Honors/Gifted only).

Current grade in Language Arts _____

Write a paragraph (typed) explaining why you want to take this AP Social Studies Course.

Parent/Student Consent Statement

If accepted in the Advanced Placement Social Studies Program, the students and parents must understand, and agree to the following responsibilities and obligations.

1. I agree to accept a much heavier workload including outside readings, written essays, tests, reports, projects, and etc.
I understand that this is a **YEAR LONG** course for Human Geography. There will be no schedule changes.
2. I understand that I will have some summer reading, as well as, assignments relating to this class. It is the student's responsibility to get these from the appropriate teacher or otherwise be penalized upon returning to school in the fall or in the new semester.
4. I am aware that I will receive ten (10) points added to my final grade.

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

Teacher Recommendation for Advanced Placement

Student Name _____

Recommending Social Studies or LA Teacher _____

Please verify students ITBS scores:

Reading Comprehension _____ Vocabulary _____ Reading Total _____

Please rank the student's abilities in the areas described below by circling the appropriate number.

<u>Student Characteristic</u>	Does not	Occasionally	Consistently		
1. is an active rather than a passive learner	1	2	3	4	5
2. is an independent learner, a self-started	1	2	3	4	5
3. seeks knowledge above and beyond class requirements	1	2	3	4	5
4. enjoys reading and discussing current events	1	2	3	4	5
5. is a good writer, with a good command of the English Language	1	2	3	4	5
6. demonstrates enthusiasm for learning	1	2	3	4	5
7. consistently completes assignments on time	1	2	3	4	5
8. has consistently good attendance	1	2	3	4	5

Please feel free to make additional comments on this student's abilities, attitude, and potential for success in the AP curriculum. The student will not be penalized if you choose not to add comments.

