



# **Advanced Academic Program at Birdville High School**



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## **Mission:**

**The advanced academics program gives students the chance to tackle college-level work while they're still in high school in order to help them potentially earn college credit and placement.**

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## What a student should expect in Advanced Classes at BHS:

- Accelerated Learning
- Advanced practice involving reading, writing, and problem solving
- Rigorous instruction
- Provide foundational skills necessary for success in a college level course
- Led by a teacher who expects academic integrity of its students

## **Grading Policy:**

**Because Advanced Placement classes represent university level work, the daily average shall represent 40% of the grade. The major test average shall represent 60% of the grade.**

**(Wording is directly from the BISD Secondary Student Handbook page 14):**

**[https://www.birdvilleschools.net/cms/lib/TX01000797/Centricity/Domain/4337/SecondaryHandbook2020-2021\\_ADA.pdf](https://www.birdvilleschools.net/cms/lib/TX01000797/Centricity/Domain/4337/SecondaryHandbook2020-2021_ADA.pdf)**

**1. Advanced Academics Student Contract (Click contract to view)**

a. BISD Advanced Academics Website (Linked)

**2. Dropping Advanced Courses:**

- **Drop Requests can ONLY be made at the end of the 1st six weeks and 1st semester.**
- **Students, teachers, counselors, and parents can initiate this process, but keep in mind that it is a request and not a guarantee.**

**3. PSAT: Identifying students to be added to the advanced academic program.**



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