

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

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Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) notifies students and their parents/ legal guardians of the availability of Dual-Enrollment (DE) and Advanced Placement classes (AP), Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, including internships, externships, apprenticeships, credentialing programs, certification programs, licensure programs, and other work-based learning experiences; the Summer Residential Governor’s School Program; and the qualifications for enrolling in such classes, programs and experiences. ACPS fully funds the cost of examinations associated with these programs.

Students and their parents/guardians are also notified of programs with community colleges to enable the students to complete an Associate’s Degree or a one-year Uniform Certificate of General Studies concurrent with a high school diploma.

The Superintendent develops regulations to implement this policy, which ensures the provision of timely and adequate notice to students and their parents/guardians.

**Quality Points**

Students taking advanced courses may earn additional quality points in accordance with regulation IKC-R - Regulations Governing the Grading Policy.

- Students in dual-enrollment classes must earn a qualifying passing grade in order to receive additional grade-point average quality points.
- Students in Advanced Placement classes must take the examination in order to receive additional grade-point average quality points.

Adopted: July 1, 2005  
Amended: October 11, 2012  
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Legal Ref. Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, § 22.1-253.13:1.

Cross Ref.: IGAD - Career and Technical Education  
IGBB - Programs for Talented and Gifted Students  
IJD - College and Career Planning  
IKC-R Regulations Governing the Grading Policy  
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**Commented [1]:** Board belief statement, not in the VSBA model.

Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) shall ~~notify~~ notifies students and their parents/ legal guardians of the availability of ~~Dual-Enrollment (DE)~~ and Advanced Placement classes (~~AP~~), ~~Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, -a including internships, externships, apprenticeships, credentialing programs, certification programs, licensure programs, and other work-based learning experiences; the Summer Residential Governor's School Program International Baccalaureate program and Academic Year Governor's School Programs;~~ and the qualifications for enrolling in such classes, programs and experiences. ACPS fully funds the cost of examinations associated with these programs.

**Commented [2]:** ACPS has neither of these listed programs- Matt can these come out? (IB and the Academic Year Gov. School?) @matt.smith@acps.k12.va.us Assigned to matt.smith@acps.k12.va.us

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**Commented [3]:** Not in the model policy.

~~and the requirement that all students enrolled in Advanced Placement classes take the examination in order to receive additional grade point average quality points.~~

**Commented [4]:** not sure if this is true?

~~Students in dual-enrollment classes must earn a qualifying passing grade in order to receive additional grade-point average quality points.~~

**Commented [5]:** We are in the process of working with NOVA on beefing this opportunity up, however we need to focus on the Virginia Passport and UCGS

~~and the requirement that all students enrolled in Advanced Placement classes take the examination in order to receive additional grade-point average quality points~~

**Commented [6]:** I realize that is part of the actual Code of VA, so to ensure we don't mislead the public, what do we have to include and what can we remove?

~~Students and their parents/guardians shall also be notified in the ACPS Program of Studies of division approved programs with community colleges to enable the students to complete an Associate's Degree or a one-year Uniform Certificate of General Studies concurrent with the high school diploma.~~

**Commented [7]:** What is this referring to? I don't see a regulation associated with this policy.

~~The School Board will fully fund the cost of such examinations.~~

The Superintendent shall ~~promulgate~~ develops regulations to implement this policy, which shall ensure the provision of timely and adequate notice to students and their parents/guardians.

**Commented [8]:** The Va. Code requires that each School Board must implement " a plan to notify students and their parents of the availability of dual enrollment and advanced placement classes; career and technical education programs, including internships, externships, apprenticeships, credentialing programs, certification programs, licensure programs, and other work-based learning experiences; the International Baccalaureate Program and Academic Year Governor's School Programs; the qualifications for enrolling in such classes, programs, and experiences; and the availability of financial assistance to low-income and needy students to take the advanced placement and International Baccalaureate examinations. This plan shall include notification to students and parents of the agreement with a comprehensive community college in the Commonwealth to enable students to complete an associate degree or a one-year Uniform Certificate of General Studies concurrent with a high school diploma." I believe the idea of a regulation is to spell out how this notification to parents/families happens and to ensure that it does.

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**Commented [9]:** REMOVE this phrase- student receive quality points by enrolling and completing the class and receiving a "C" or higher for the GMP quality points.

**Commented [10]:** This content should be in the grading regulation but is not. Placing it here temporarily until the grading regulation is revised.

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