

B. Policy for Recommending a SOPHOMORE Student for AP LANGUAGE:

[pre-optioning]

- a. student must have an overall B average in their English courses at WHHS
- b. student from English 10 must have at least an A average in English for the (current) first semester, with no Cs; *student from English 10AA must have at least a B average for the first semester, with no Cs*
- c. student must be on approval list for advanced courses (submitted to administrator)
- d. student must receive a recommendation from his/her current English teacher
- e. student must fill out an application and turn it in by established due date

[post-optioning: same year, second semester]

- f. student must maintain an A average in English for the second semester
- g. student must submit writing sample to AP Language teacher for approval
- h. student who was recommended for the AP Language course, but fails to maintain a B average second semester will *forfeit* his/her opportunity for the AP course (current teacher will notify administrator and student at end of second semester of this change)
- i. student must sign off on summer work, thus agreeing to complete all summer work
- j. student who ***did not meet recommendation criteria*** prior to optioning can earn a recommendation by the end of second semester if:
 1. student informs the teacher of his/her interest
 2. both parties agree that if the student shows significant growth {see **e**, **f** and **h**} in grades and/or attitude during second semester then the student will be allowed to sign up for the course
 3. student may need to produce writing sample for approval
 4. teacher informs counselor and student at the end of the semester of this change

[post-optioning: following year in the AP course]

- k. student who fails to complete summer work will forfeit grade protection and will receive grade earned first quarter
- l. student who fails to maintain a B average for the entire first semester *could* “lose status” though remain in the class for the duration of the year, thus forfeiting the option to move to an advanced course the next year—unless meets criteria in **f**

NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE AFTER SECOND SEMESTER ENDS; CRITERIA TO BE FOLLOWED BY STUDENT, PARENT, TEACHER, COUNSELOR(S) AND ADMINISTRATOR(S).