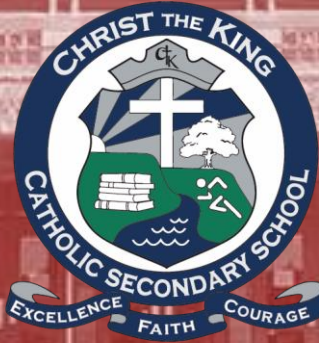


Christ the King

Catholic Secondary School

Advanced Placement Program



The Advanced Placement Program

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***Loving God,
Our Creator, our friend, our companion,
Bless our journey of learning.
Refresh our souls and renew our spirits.***

***Lead us in paths of wisdom,
compassion and understanding.
Bless us with an enduring love of learning.
May the Holy Spirit flow freely
through the classrooms and halls
of our school; through the rooms and
gardens of our homes and workplaces.
Together in His name,
Amen***

Honouring the Land and Territory

Halton as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Métis - these lands surrounding the Great Lakes are steeped in Indigenous history.

As we gather today on these treaty lands we have the responsibility to honour and respect the four directions, land, waters, plants, animals, ancestors that walked before us, and all the wonderful elements of creation that exist.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation for sharing their traditional territory with us.

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Welcome and Opening Remarks

Lisa Vasile

Principal at Christ the King CSS

What is Advanced Placement?

AP courses offer university level content to students at the Grade 12 level.



AP and AP Preparation courses provide:

- topics and material studied in greater depth
- enriched learning that goes beyond facts and figures
- rich course material
- thought provoking classroom discussion
- demanding assignments
- development of knowledge and enhanced critical thinking skills

What is AP Preparation?

The AP Preparation courses are an advanced series of courses that are designed to be a rigorous preparation for the AP courses and exams in grade 12. These courses also prepare students for success in university. They are intended to be challenging, but the benefits to students are well worth it.



The Grade 9 AP Preparation Program

The Grade 9 AP Prep Program at Christ the King Catholic Secondary School offers:



English (ENL1WA)

Geography (CGC1DA)

Mathematics (MTH1WA)

Science (SNC1WA)

Alignment of AP with the Ontario Curriculum

The AP curriculum significantly builds on the Ontario secondary school curriculum in the indicated subjects

Students in AP prep courses complete academic (9/10) or university prep (11/12) curriculum with appropriate extensions

The courses in grades 9-12 are designed to prepare students to write the AP Exams in grade 12



Assessment and Evaluation



- ✓ Students will be evaluated according to the Ministry's assessment and evaluation policy documents.
- ✓ Students will be evaluated on the appropriate grade level curriculum expectations.
- ✓ Teachers of AP preparation and AP courses attend additional AP training.
- ✓ The course mark as determined above, will be multiplied by 1.05 to determine the mark that will be reported on the Provincial Report Card.

The Student Experience of AP



Student Voice

- **Tyler Holiday**
- **Alexa Cormier**
- **Lauren Penner**

Looking Ahead: AP Exams and Scores in Grade 12

AP exams are written in May in your own school. They are distributed by the College Board and administered by the school.

Each AP exam mark is a weighted combination of the student's scores on the multiple choice section 50% and the open response section 50%.

The final mark is reported on a 5-point scale:

5 = extremely well qualified

4 = well qualified

3 = qualified

2 = possibly qualified

1 = no recommendation

The submission of AP exam results is determined by the student.



The Grade 12 AP Program

AP Exams Planned for Christ the King CSS

English Literature
and Composition (ENG 4UA)

Geography (CGW 4UA)

History (CHY 4UA)

Physics 1 (SPH 4UA)

Chemistry (SCH 4UA)

Biology (SBI 4UA)

Calculus AB (MHF 4UA & MCV 4UA)

*based on enrollment

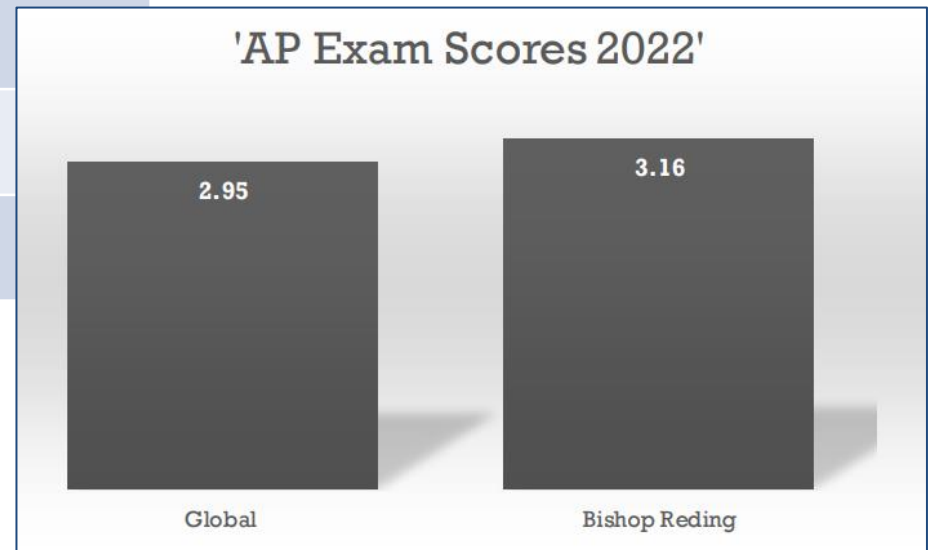


2020 AP Subject Mean Exam Scores

(Results provided for neighbouring school as CtK has not yet completed AP Exams)

	GLOBAL	BISHOP REDING
Calculus	2.91	3.9
Physics 1	2.47	3.2
Biology	3.10	3.36
Chemistry	2.73	3.11
English Literature	3.31	4.05
European History	2.82	3.67
English Language	2.83	3.14

AP examinees earning scores of 3 or higher are more likely to earn higher grades in post-secondary and complete a degree compared to students who did not.



Transitions for AP Students from High School to University

- Depth
- Breadth
- Academic Preparation
- Time Management
- Catholic Graduate Expectations
- Exam Preparation



HCDSB AP Students Testimonials



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TEACHER PERSPECTIVE:

What are some characteristics of a successful AP student?



ORGANIZATION

SELF-MOTIVATION

ENTHUSIASM
FOR SUBJECT

GROWTH
MINDSET

HOMEWORK
COMPLETION

LOOKING FOR A
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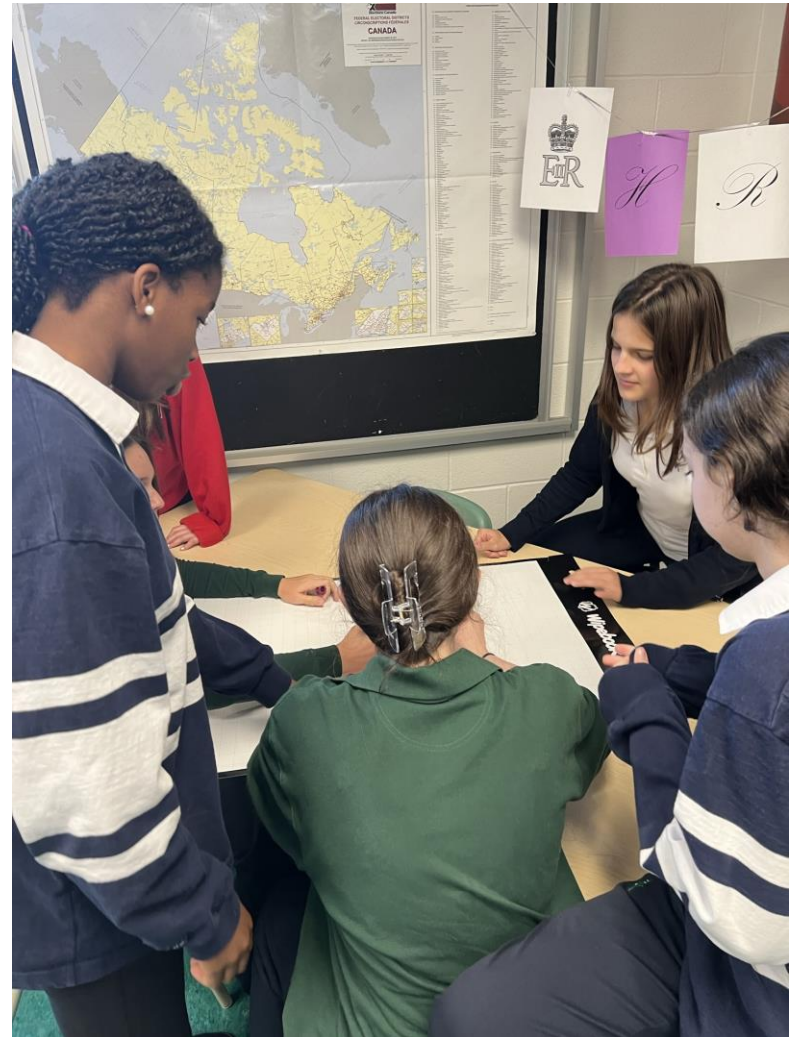
INTERESTED IN
LEARNING

TIME
MANAGEMENT

COLLABORATION

What Can Students Expect from AP?

-Hannah McCallum,
Mathematics
Department Head



Key Differences Between AP and IB

Advanced Placement	International Baccalaureate
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opportunity for advanced placement in university• Taken on a course by course basis with flexibility• Offers students more choice as far as which APs to pursue and exams to write• Can be combined with other programs like SHSM• AP score is based solely on an end of term AP exam for individual courses that can be shared with prospective schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opportunity for advanced placement in university• Offers a complete program and diploma• Marks are determined by both internal assessment and final IB exams• 250 Community Service hours• Four thousand word extended essay• Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course

Scholarships

Scholarships totaling over \$100 000 awarded to HCDSB AP graduates.
Various programs that our AP graduates have entered:

Ottawa Life Sciences

Waterloo Mechatronics

Waterloo Bio Medical

Waterloo Mechanical Engineering

Toronto (UTM) History

Queens Commerce

Queens Engineering

McMaster Engineering

American Universities and NCAA Athletics



Advanced Placement (AP) Credit Policies at Ontario Universities

Most universities have an AP credit policy that states:

- the maximum number of university credits a student may earn through AP testing (often 2 – 3, but sometimes more)
- the minimum score required to earn a university credit (usually a 4 or a 5 out of 5).

<https://universityadmissions.ca/ap-credit-policies/>

College Board Data for Canadian Students Enrolled in AP

- 93% of students say that AP reduced the stress of first year university
- 98% of students say they would take AP again
- 94% of students say that AP gave them an advantage over their peers
- 87% of exam writers achieved advanced standing



Important Dates to Note



- Advanced Placement Information Night
Nov. 16, 2023
- AP Application Deadline
Jan. 12, 2024
- Admission Decision Emailed
Feb. 1, 2024

****Parents will be notified of Committee decision through the email provided in your online AP Application.**

Admission Process and Required Paperwork

AP Application Deadline: January 12, 2024

AP Admission is based on the following:

- Grade 7 June report card
- Grade 8 Progress Report Card

*******Students applying from outside of HCDSB –in addition to the AP Application, please ensure you complete the registration process outlined on [HCDSB.org](https://www.hcdsb.org)

GR 9 AP PREP APPLICATION

CtK's AP Application will be completed online. This is for students who are currently in grade 8 and will be entering grade 9 in September, 2024.

Online Application Check-list:

- ☐ Complete and submit the online AP Application posted on CtK's website
- ☐ Scan your child's grade 7 June report card and Grade 8 progress report card to a PDF file and attach to online application
- ☐ Include any relevant information about your child's progress in the notes section of the application
- ☐ If your child is not currently attending one of CtK's family of schools, you are asked to complete the online HCDSB Registration to attend Christ the King CSS. This is to be completed in addition to the online AP Application.
- ☐ Once accepted and registered at CtK, please complete a payment of \$65 for the Student Activity Fee.

The AP Application can be found on CtK's website between Nov. 16 – Jan. 12, 2024

Transportation

- The AP preparation and AP programs are specialized optional programs.
- As per HCDSB Policy 1-04: Transportation is only provided for students living within the Christ the King boundaries who qualify for bussing according to board policies.
- As per HCDSB Policy 1-04: Cross Boundary students attending the AP preparation or AP program DO NOT require a cross boundary form.
- Cross Boundary AP preparation and AP students are responsible for their own transportation.
- Students in a specialized program who “OPT OUT” of the AP preparation or AP program will be required to return to their home school.
- Visit www.haltonbus.ca if you have any questions related to bussing..



Cross Boundary and AP Commitment

Cross boundary students who withdraw from the AP Program will be directed to their home school.

Cross boundary siblings of AP students cannot attend Christ the King CSS unless also registered in the AP Program.



For Additional Information

Visit the College Board website for Canadian AP Schools:

<http://apcanada.collegeboard.org/>

- ☐ A list of Canadian schools participating in AP programs. (i.e. U of T, UW, Western, Queens)
- ☐ Data regarding the participation of students throughout Canada
- ☐ Research with respect to student achievement and AP
- ☐ AP preparation and AP course outlines and resources
- ☐ AP exam descriptions

AP courses are recognized

- ✓ by 90% of post-secondary institutions in North America
- ✓ by over 600 universities in over 55 countries around the world

Closing Reminders

If you have any questions about the AP Program or the application process, please reach out to Ms. Moore (MooreMe@hcdsb.org) or Ms. Lauc (Lauci@hcdsb.org).

This presentation, along with any links we shared, will be posted to CtK's website for your reference.

We invite you to our atrium to visit with our AP teachers and current AP students who can help with any questions you may have.

**Thank you for joining us and we hope this
has been an informative presentation.**