

Greeting Pharaoh Parents and Students,

I wanted to provide you with some clarity on my recent email regarding academics. As I stated we are shifting to AP Seminar and AP Research. Please note that this replaces Senior Thesis and two additional English classes that we once offered. With that being said, here is a breakdown of our new English pathway for all Richmond Community High School Scholars:

English 9 honors

English 10 honors

AP Language – replaces English 11 honors

AP Literature – replaces English 12 honors

We are no longer offering Senior Thesis. This change was a decision made by Virginia Department of Education. Due to the change, we would like to still ensure our scholars are receiving the writing skills necessary to prepare them for college and life after college. AP Seminar is a prerequisite for AP Research. This is a great way to prepare our students for their research project (replaces senior thesis). We are a college prep high school and want to continue our legacy of greatness. I hope this breakdown provides you with clarity. Below you will find some of the skills and proficiencies that are associated with AP Seminar that are also very much aligned with all other AP courses.

Skills

Analyze sources and evidence

Construct an evidenced based argument

Understand context and perspective

Communicate interpersonal & intrapersonal

Proficiencies

Understand and analyze argument

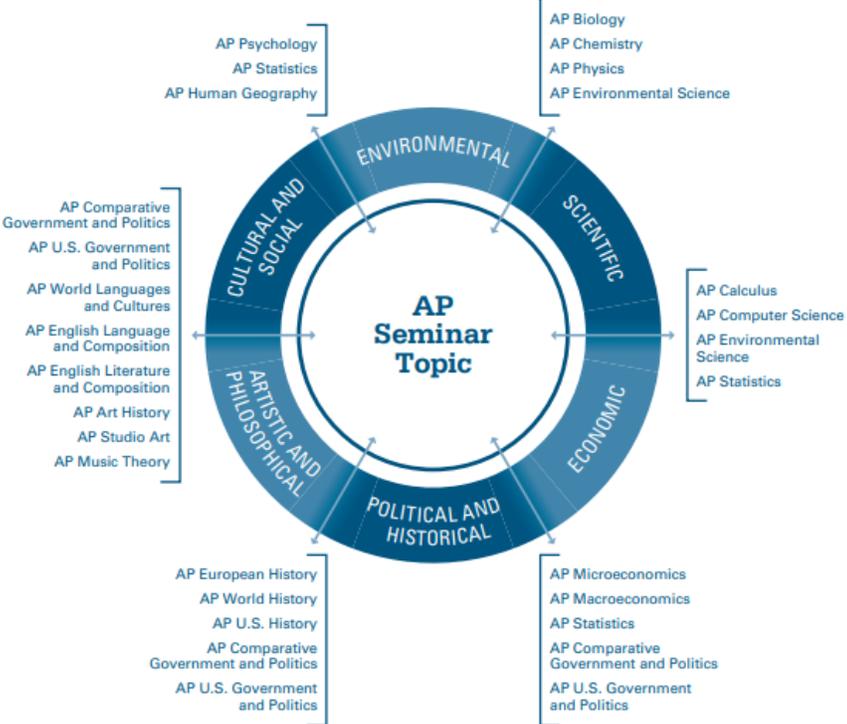
Evaluate sources and evidence

Select and use evidence

Engage audience

Apply conventions

Another benefit is the connections with all other AP courses. Please see the diagram below:



I would also like to give you an update on our air conditioning. New units are scheduled to be up and running by August 27th 2019. As always, we are partners in educating your scholars. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to email me at kmassenb@rvaschools.net. I am more than willing to discuss further.

Principal Massenburg