



Advanced Studies Parent/Legal Guardian Notification Letter

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian,

As a part of the College Board Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Assessment International Education programs, your child will be presented with college-level course content that complies with the organization's required curriculum. Your child's teacher will also utilize instructional materials and resources to address course and program requirements. By adhering to the curriculum, students can take the culminating exam in their particular subject to earn college credit according to the Florida Department of Education's articulation agreement (§1007.23, Florida Statutes) and agreements with universities nationwide and globally.

Participation in the College Board Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Assessment International Education curricula can yield the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program in accordance with § 1009.534(1)(c), Florida Statutes, and §1009.531(3)(a), Florida Statutes, provided that students participate in full curriculum and complete all requirements. Further, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Assessment International Education curricula are designed by these organizations through committees of professors and other expert educators in each field. The curricula of these programs are in no way created or dictated by The School Board of Orange County, Florida or Orange County Public Schools (OCPS). Further, OCPS does not define which college-level topics are suitable for students within College Board Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Assessment International Education courses. Such curricular materials may contain materials which would otherwise be inappropriate for students under the age of 18. As such, by a student's participation in a program, parents/legal guardians release and hold harmless OCPS and its employees and agents for any and all claims under Florida and Federal law, including, but not limited to, the Parents' Bill of Rights (Chapter 1014, Florida Statutes), and usage of such curricular from Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Assessment International Education.

Additionally, Academic Dual Enrollment is an acceleration program that allows students to enroll in postsecondary courses and receive both high school and postsecondary credit while simultaneously earning a high school diploma, a career certificate, an industry certification, or an associate or baccalaureate degree. Through Academic Dual Enrollment courses, students will also be presented with college-level course content in accordance with § 1007.271, Florida Statutes, and as outlined by the postsecondary institution's college-level curriculum and is in no way created or dictated by OCPS.

Your student's success in Advanced Studies programs can be further enhanced by parent/legal guardian involvement. We encourage OCPS families to explore the Advanced Studies curriculum by visiting www.ocps.net/departments/curriculum_and_digital_learning/advanced_studies.

Participation in Advanced Studies courses is voluntary. Any student whose parent/legal guardian makes a written request to the school principal shall be removed from any enrollment in Advanced Studies courses. If you have specific questions or concerns, please contact your child's principal.