Advanced Placement Family Night

September 18, 2019
• Diman RVTHS is committed to facilitating the academic and vocational growth and success of all students.

• Graduates speak to this success
Advanced Placement (AP) at Diman

– A university-level course taken while in high school
– Weighted toward GPA
– National exam is taken at the end of the course
– Students score 1-5 on exam
– Scores of 3 or higher may earn college credit
– Rigorous coursework while in high school
  -> College acceptance
WHY AP?

• Build a transcript for college readiness and success
  – Thirty-four percent of full-time degree- or certificate-seeking students at two-year colleges graduated in four years or less.
  – Fifty-eight percent of full-time bachelor’s degree-seeking students at four-year colleges graduated in six years or less (Mass Insight, 2019).
2020 Advanced Placement Courses at Diman

- AP Biology
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Chemistry
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition
- AP Physics I
- AP Statistics
2021 Anticipated Courses

• AP U.S. Government
• AP Environmental Science
Diman RVTHS Enrollment
In AP math, science, and English

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STRENGTH ON STRENGTH
Student Supports

• Saturday study sessions
• Teacher after school sessions
• Mocks exams
AP Exam Fees for 2019-20: The base exam fee is not changing

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**What’s new?** There will be a $40 fee for late exam registrations and unused or canceled exams.
• Diman students must pay for exams in the Business Office by November 1\textsuperscript{st} 
  – Fee reductions available for free and reduced lunch students
• All AP students must take the AP exam
• Students will concerns about these fees should contact a guidance counselor before November 1\textsuperscript{st}
• AP students must register with the College Board by November 1\textsuperscript{st}
A Teacher’s Perspective

- Benefits of being an AP student
  - Pathway preparation
  - Critical thinking and likeminded subject passion
  - Class size and rigor
  - Seminar style
AP Expectations

• Level of independence
• Accountability
• Daily practice and college preparation
• Personal and educational growth
• Supports
AP Student Experience

- Differences noticed while in college
- Higher level thinking skills
- Critical and higher order thinking
- AP habits
Questions?