

**ADVANCED
PLACEMENT
NIGHT**



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A.P. Parent Night Objectives

- Learn about the A. P. Courses offered at Osborne High School
- Understand the Benefits of taking A.P. classes & exams
- Understand how A.P. exams are scored
- Examine the A.P. Exam Timeline
- Understand A.P. Exam Fees & Information
- Understand A.P. Exam Scholarship Opportunities



AP Courses Taught at Osborne

- AP English Literature
- AP English Language
- AP Statistics
- AP Calculus AB/BC
- AP Precalculus
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics
- AP Human Geography
- AP Environmental Science
- AP World History
- AP European History
- AP U.S. History
- AP U.S. Gov & Politics
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Psychology
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Spanish Literature



Ms. Martha Monreal

A.P. Coordinator



Dr. Josh Sturtevant

A.P. Coordinator



Understand the Benefits of taking A.P. classes & exams



Earn college credit or
advanced placement



Strengthen college
applications



Build critical thinking &
time management skills



Recognized at
Osborne's AP Scholar
events

Understand how A.P. exams are scored

Scored on a 1–5 scale:

5 – Extremely Well Qualified

4 – Well Qualified

3 – Qualified

2 – Possibly Qualified



1 – No Recommendation

Colleges often award credit for scores of 3+

Osborne offers 16 AP courses

Examine the A.P. Exam Timeline

- **Fall Registration:**
- Preferred Deadline: October 3, 2025
- Final Order Deadline: November 10, 2025
- **Spring Registration:**
- Preferred Deadline: February 13 , 2025
- Final Order Deadline: March 6, 2026
- May – AP Exams (first two weeks, nationwide)
- July – Scores released online

<div>  Advanced Placement (AP) Courses offered at Cardinal Nation  </div>				
Course	Teacher	Semester(s)	Block(s)	Exam Date:
English Language Arts				
AP Seminar	Ms. Boone	S1 & S2	S1-4th Block S2-2 nd & 4 th Blocks	May 11, 2026
AP English Literature	Ms. Henson-Heard	S1 & S2	S1-1st Block S2- 4 th Block	May 6, 2026
AP English Language	Mr. Mellman	S1 & S2	S1-1st Block S2- 4 th Block	May 13, 2026
Mathematics				
AP Calculus AB	Ms. Kolencik	S1	S1-3 rd Block	May 11, 2026
AP Calculus BC	Ms. Kolencik	S2	S2-3 rd Block	May 11, 2026
AP Precalculus	Ms. Lateo	S1 & S2	S1-4th Block S2-1 st Block	May 12, 2026
AP Precalculus	Ms. Avera	S1 & S2	S1-1st Block S2-3 rd Block	May 12, 2026
AP Statistics	Mr. Attard	S2	S2-1st Block	May 7, 2026
Science				
AP Biology	Ms. Thomas	S1 & S2	S1-4th Block S2-3 rd Block	May 4, 2026
AP Physics	Mr. Proctor	S2	S2-2nd Block	May 6, 2026
AP Chemistry	Ms. Hirshfield	S2	S1-2nd Block	May 5, 2026
AP Environmental Science	Mr. Leppo	S1 & S2	S1-3rd & 4th Block S2- 2 nd Block	May 15, 2026
Social Studies				
AP Government	Mr. Collins	S2	S1-3rd Block	May 5, 2026
AP US History	Ms. Dingle-Owens	S1	S1-3rd Block	May 8, 2026
AP US History	Mr. Thompson	S2	S1-1st Block	May 8, 2026
AP World History	Mr. Thurmond	S1 & S2	S1-1st & 2nd Block S2-2 nd Block	May 7, 2026
AP European History	Mr. Thurmond	S1	S1-3rd Block	May 4, 2026
AP Psychology	Ms. Forester	S1 & S2	S1-1st Block S2-1 st & 3 rd Block	May 12, 2026
AP Human Geography	Ms. Gantek	S1 & S2	S1-1st Block S2-1 st Block	May 5, 2026
AP Microeconomics	Ms. Yeomans	S1	S1-1st Block	May 4, 2026
World Language				
AP Spanish Language	Ms. Campos	S2	S2- 4th Block	May 14, 2026
AP Spanish Literature	Ms. Campos	S2	S2-3rd Block	May 13, 2026

Understand A.P. Exam Scholarship Opportunities

- Local Recognition: AP Scholars Breakfast!!!
- External scholarships available. Ask your counselor today.



English & Language Arts Department



Mr. Mellman

AP Language and Composition and
Literature and Composition

Favorite topic: Rhetoric and Persuasion

I'm kind of an expert in the topic of I am the greatest
pickleball player to ever live.

Fun Fact about AP Lang: It focuses on the real world
application of rhetoric, such as the way politicians are trying
to make people think certain things right now!



Mrs. Henson-Heard

AP Literature & Composition

AP Literature is a literary analysis course that engages in reading and analyzing a myriad of texts that explores character, setting, structure, perspective, figurative language and literary analysis.

- **Favorite Topic Taught:**
 - Analyzing character perspectives
- **I'm kind of an expert on the topic:**
 - Teaching critical perspectives which enhances students' interpretative skills; thus, students understand how historical and cultural contexts influence literature.
- **Fun Fact About AP Literature & Composition:**
 - AP Lit isn't just reading novels, analyze poetry, drama, and literary nonfiction. It's like being a literary detective and on one of the essays (Q3), you get to choose *any* work of literary merit to answer the prompt. It is your time to Show Off by choosing your favorite novel!



Mrs. Boone

AP Seminar

AP Seminar develops critical thinking, research, and presentation skills through collaborative exploration and real-world topics.

Favorite Topic Taught:

Working with others isn't always easy, but I love helping students grow as they learn how to collaborate to tackle challenging questions and create the best solutions!

Fun Fact!

The skills learned in AP Seminar are the same skills I use in grad school!



Math Department



A woman with glasses and a red jacket is smiling on a boat. In the background, there is a large body of water and snow-capped mountains under a cloudy sky. A yellow and silver insulated cup with a purple straw is visible in the bottom left corner.

Kristy Avera

AP Precalculus

- **Precalculus is a bridge between Algebra and Calculus. It provides a solid foundation for further mathematical study.**

- Favorite Topic:

I love modeling real-world scenarios involving sinusoidal functions

- Fun Fact:

- I own almost 1,000 boardgames!

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a black quilted jacket, stands on a wooden bridge with a railing. Behind her is a large, powerful waterfall cascading over rocks in a lush green forest. The image is partially obscured by a white curved shape on the right side.

Mariecris Lateo

AP Precalculus

- AP Precalculus provides a rigorous study of functions and their role in modeling dynamic phenomena, preparing students for college-level calculus and other advanced fields of study. As it may be the final mathematics course in high school, the curriculum is designed to offer a coherent and meaningful experience.

- Favorite Topic:

I love Trigonometric and Polar Functions the most.

- Fun Fact:

There are 4 units in AP Precalculus and only 3 are tested on the AP exam.



Kathryn Kolencik

AP Calculus

Calculus is the study of how things change!

Favorite Topic:

I love teaching derivative and integral skills, but I especially enjoy facing off with a challenging application problem and using Calculus skills to solve what I never dreamed I could figure out!

Fun Fact:

AP Calculus was my favorite class and Mr. Dunn was my favorite teacher ever. He was the one to encourage me to study electrical engineering which led me to Clemson University!



Statistics provides a foundational understanding of how to collect, analyze, interpret, and present data. It explores relationships between data, sampling methods, and TONS of application.

Favorite Topic:

I think *everything* is interesting because everything we talk about has context to real-life. Some of my favorite topics are probability distributions, testing claims, and confidence intervals!

Fun Fact:

I love college football!

Michigan is home for me – Go Blue!



Philip Attard
AP Statistics



Science Department



Chris Leppo

AP Environmental Science

AP Environmental Science is the study of the environment and the impact of human activity on it.

- **Favorite Topic Taught:**

I probably like physics the best as it relates to everything, everyday.

- **I'm kind of an expert on the topic:**

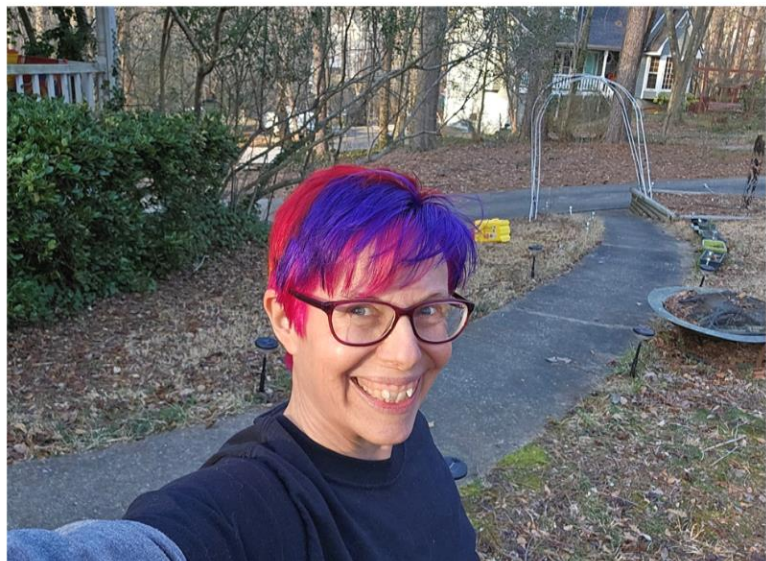
I spent over 35 years in the environmental chemistry sector before becoming a teacher.

- **Fun Fact About Environmental Science:**

It is the one science discipline that combines traditional science (like chemistry, biology, physics, etc.) with social sciences (like economics, political science, demographics, psychology, etc.).



Stacey Hirshfield



AP Chemistry is the study of atoms and their reactions, which is a really boring way of saying this is the study of just about everything in the world around you! If you are going into a chemistry heavy field such as pharmacy or medicine, you should consider AP Chemistry

Favorite topic:

Photoelectron spectroscopy (aka how we know how many electrons an atom has and where they are) and Coulomb's Law (explains EVERYTHING about the interactions between electrons)

I'm kinda an expert in making mistakes and modeling how to deal with that. So much of science is based on learning from mistakes!

Fun fact about AP Chemistry – you will learn why snowflakes are always six sided!

Social Studies Department



Kelly Gantek

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

"APHUG"



Favorite APHUG Topic: Culture

Kind of an expert: Teaching an AP class to freshman in addition to upperclassman.

Fun Fact: I loved my college Geography class so much I decided to major in it.

AP Psychology is the study of the brain and behavior.

Favorite Topic Taught:

Biological Bases of Behavior (the brain and nervous systems!)

I'm kind of an expert on the topic:

I have a Bachelor's of Science in Psychology and Sociology

Fun Facts About Psychology:

The type of music you listen to has an impact of your perception of the world!

Smiling can literally change your mood!

The brain generates about 70,000 thoughts per day

Kim Forrester

AP PSYCHOLOGY



AP Microeconomics

AP Microeconomics is the study of human behaviors and decision making.

- **Favorite Topic Taught:**
 - Oligopoly and Game Theory
- **I'm kind of an expert on the topic:**
 - I have a Bachelor's of Business Administration in Economics and a Masters in Economics
- **Fun Facts About Economics:**
 - The historical event known as "**Tulip Mania**" in the Netherlands in the 17th century saw people trading homes and savings for tulip bulbs, which eventually crashed, leading to bankruptcies and highlighting how human emotions can drive market bubbles.

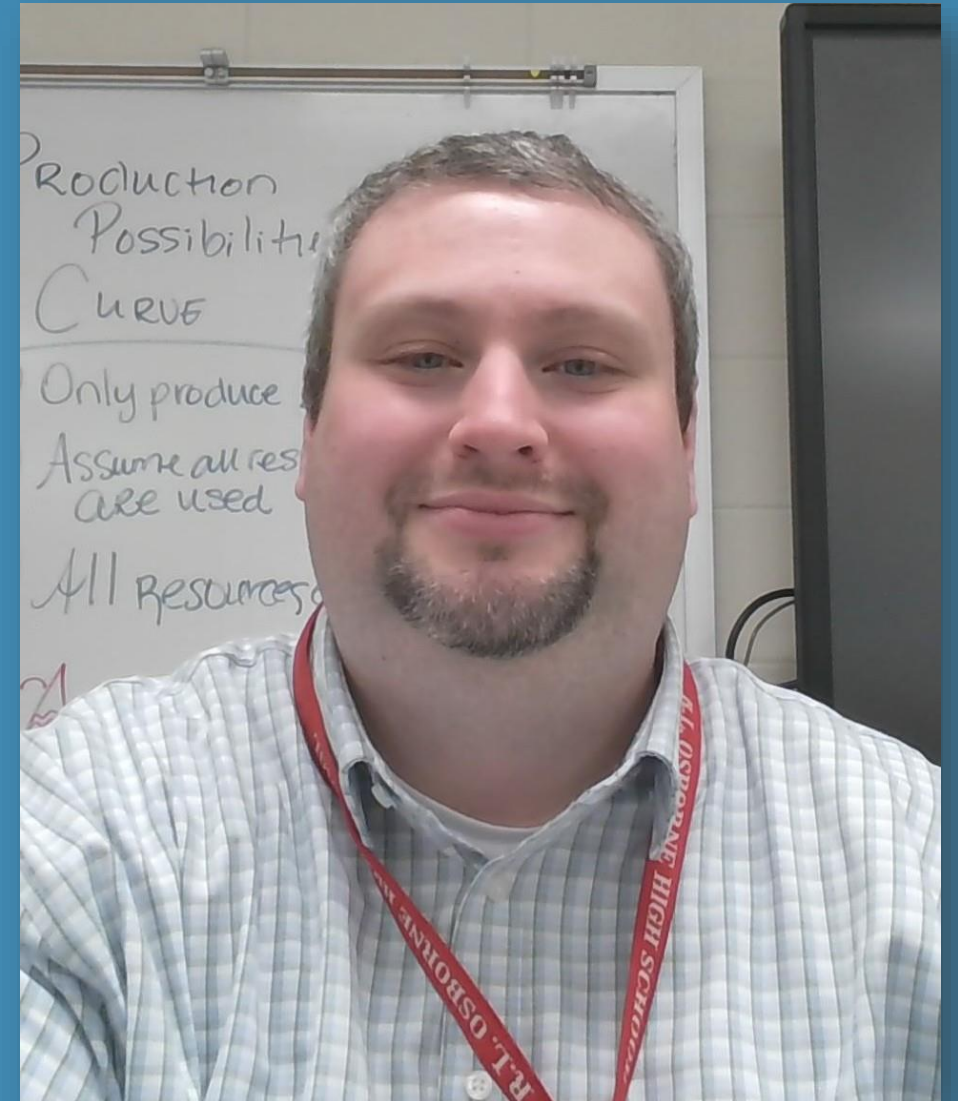


Jennifer Yeomans

Phillip Thurmond

AP World History: Modern

- In AP World History students cultivate their understanding of world history from c. 1200 CE to the present through analyzing historical sources, making connections, and crafting historical arguments as they explore course through the course themes.
- Favorite Topic Taught:
 - The Enlightenment and Political Revolutions of the 18th and 19th Centuries
- I'm kind of an expert on the topic:
 - I have BA in History and MA in Teaching
- Fun Fact:
 - History is just one big story. It is the story of all of us.



Phillip Thurmond

AP European History

- In AP European History, you'll study the rich history of countries such as France, England, Spain, and many others from c. 1450 to the present. You'll cover key events and uncover the political, social, economic, cultural, and intellectual developments that shaped Europe and subsequently the world.
- **Favorite Topic Taught:**
 - **The Enlightenment and the French Revolution through Napoleon**
- **I'm kind of an expert on the topic:**
 - **I have BA in History and MA in Teaching**
- **Fun Fact:**
 - **In AP European history not only study history but we also study art and architecture.**



William Collins

AP American Government & Politics

AP U.S. Government and Politics is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the U.S. government and its political processes. Throughout the course, students will develop critical skills such as:

- Analyzing and interpreting data and political texts.
- Making comparisons and applications of political concepts.
- Constructing evidence-based arguments and engaging in informed discussions about current political issues.

Favorite Topic Taught:

- I enjoy all the topics in the course! The course is a combination of history, philosophy, economics, and politics!

I'm kind of an expert in:

- I have a bachelor's degree in HIED and a masters in IT

Fun Fact:

- The United States Constitution is the oldest, active governing document still in force today! It was written in 1787, ratified in 1789, has been amended 27 times! The constitution of San Marino is technically older, but it isn't codified 😊.



AP US History & AP African American Studies Mrs. Dingle Owens



AP United States History

“Students cultivate their understanding of U.S. history from c. 1491- Present through analyzing sources and learning to make connections and craft historical arguments...”

AP African American Studies

“An interdisciplinary course that examines the diversity of African American experiences...Students explore key topics that extend from early African kingdoms to the ongoing challenges and achievements of the movement.”

Favorite Topic Taught: Antebellum History, Reconstruction and Women’s History!

I’m kind of an expert on this: Masters in History and Specialist in Education

Fun Fact: APAfAM is being taught for the first time at OHS!

See me in 321 to register!

AP US History

- AP US History is a challenging and exciting course for students who are curious about the past and want to get better at thinking deeply and making strong arguments. Explore the story of the United States, from Indigenous peoples and early colonies all the way to current events and learn skills that will help you in school and beyond.
- This course satisfies the US History graduation requirement and can also be taken as an academic elective after completing US History or Honors US History.
- favorite topic: social movements in every century of US History
- I'm kind of an expert on the topic: M.A. in History & Ed.S. in Secondary History; James Madison Fellow 2017
- Fun fact: John Adams and Thomas Jefferson (once political rivals, later friendly) both died on the exact same day: July 4, 1826. More amazing than that: It was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. (They were on the Committee of Five that wrote it).



World Languages Department



Mrs. C. Campos

AP Spanish Language and Culture

Students learn to communicate confidently in Spanish while exploring cultural themes that connect the Spanish-speaking world with their own lives.

AP Spanish Literature and Culture

Students explore major works of Spanish and Latin American literature to understand how language, history, and culture shape perspectives across time.

Favorite AP Spanish Language topic: My favorite topic is the theme of Families and Communities because it allows us to share our stories and find commonalities.

Favorite AP Spanish Literature topic: I love the poetry of Sor Juana Inez de la Cruz, her poetry written in the 17th century is still relevant today.

Fun Fact: This course is more than preparing for a test, it is about identity, community, and understanding different perspectives.

I am kind of an expert: I don't consider myself an expert, but a lifelong learner. I have a B.A. in Spanish and Sociology, an MA in teaching, and a Specialist in Instructional Technology.





Mrs. C. Campos

AP Spanish Language and Culture

Los estudiantes aprenden a comunicarse con confianza en español mientras exploran temas culturales que conectan el mundo hispanohablante con sus propias vidas.

AP Spanish Literature and Culture

Los estudiantes exploran obras fundamentales de la literatura española y latinoamericana para comprender cómo el idioma, la historia y la cultura moldean las perspectivas a través del tiempo.

Tema favorito de AP Spanish Language:

Mi tema favorito es *Familias y comunidades* porque nos permite compartir nuestras historias y encontrar puntos en común.

Tema favorito de AP Spanish Literature:

Me encanta la poesía de Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz; sus versos del siglo XVII siguen siendo relevantes hoy en día.

Dato curioso:

Este curso es más que una preparación para un examen: se trata de identidad, comunidad y de comprender diferentes perspectivas.

Soy una experta:

No me considero experta, sino una aprendiz de por vida. Tengo una licenciatura en Español y Sociología, una maestría en enseñanza y un título de especialista en Tecnología Instruccional.

OSBORNE PARENT SURVEY

The Cognia Parent, Staff and Student Surveys are designed to collect data on student academic learning and wellness during the current school year. Participation in each survey is anonymous. The survey results will provide the Cognia Accrediting Agency, Cobb County School District, and local schools with data regarding student learning environment, staff input, and parent feedback to support continuous learning.”

Please use the QR Code to complete the survey. Make sure you scroll down to Osborne High School.



Las encuestas para padres, personal y estudiantes de Cognia están diseñadas para recopilar datos sobre el aprendizaje académico y el bienestar de los estudiantes durante el año escolar actual. La participación en cada encuesta es anónima. Los resultados de la encuesta proporcionarán a la Agencia de Acreditación de Cognia, al Distrito Escolar del Condado de Cobb y a las escuelas locales datos sobre el entorno de aprendizaje de los estudiantes, los aportes del personal y los comentarios de los padres para apoyar el aprendizaje continuo.

Utilice el código QR para completar la encuesta. Asegúrese de desplazarse hacia abajo hasta Osborne High School.

