

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



COOPER CITY
HIGH SCHOOL

'A' Tradition of Excellence



Established 1915
BROWARD
County Public Schools

Advanced Academics

- Cambridge AICE Diploma
- College Board Advanced Placement Capstone



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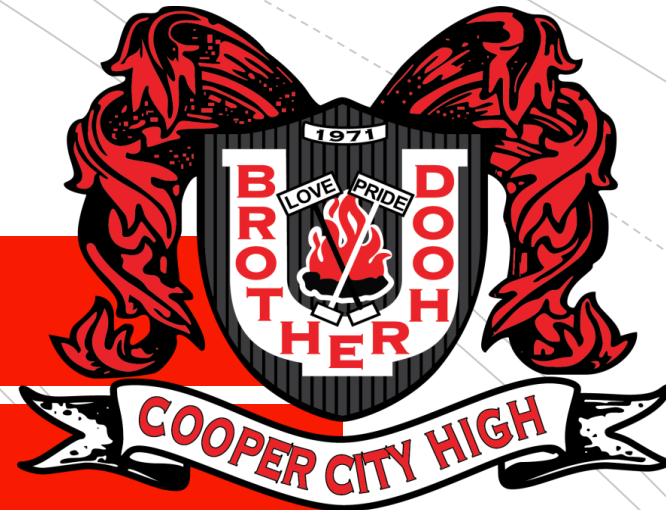
Excellence in education

AP Capstone[™]
Research, Academic Rigor, Distinction

CollegeBoard
Advanced Placement
Program



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Advanced Academics Cooper City High School

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"A" RATED SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

COOPER CITY HIGH SCHOOL

**DELIVERING WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION,
EMPOWERING SCHOLARS THROUGH PERSONALIZED LEARNING**




- Best High School in the Nation ranked by *US News and World Report*
- FLDOE School of Excellence
- Over 99% Graduation Rate
- Cambridge International School
 - AICE Cambridge Diploma
- Advanced Placement Honor Roll School
 - AP Capstone Diploma
- National Merit Scholars
- Dual Enrollment with FIU, BC, UF and Embry-Riddle
- Nationally Recognized Career and Technical Education
- DECA and VEI
- Over 40+ Clubs

- Silver Knight Winners
- Award Winning programs in Band, Theatre and Visual Arts
- TV Production Studio 
- Champion Athletic Teams
- Business Marketing and Management
- Computer Science, Engineering, Robotics
- ESE and Gifted Services
- ESOL Services
- Partners in Education (PIE)
- Supportive Alumni
- Journalism, Speech & Debate
- Personal Trainer/Health Science
- Automotive Program and IC
- Navy ROTC



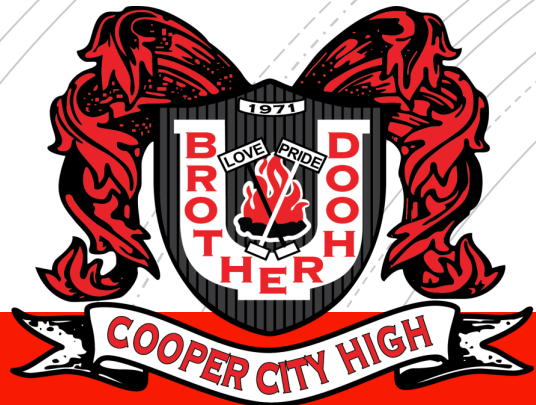
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Welcome to Advanced Academics Night

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AICE Cambridge Program
for the past 5 years

Over 1,158 scholars took
over 2,217 AICE Cambridge
Exams last year

69 AICE Cambridge
Diplomas earned in 2024
and close to 150 scholars
eligible to earn AICE
Cambridge Diplomas
in 2025

18 AICE Cambridge
Courses Offered

Cooper City High is a
recipient of the 2024 AP
School Honor Roll
with Access Award.

22 AP Capstone
Diplomas and 5 AP
Seminar Research
Certificates in 2023

We offer 26 AP
Courses, 5 pre-AP
Courses

Cooper City High has
offered AP courses to
students for over 40
years

-Cooper City High is a
recipient of the 2024 AP
School Honor Roll Silver.

799 students took
over 1601 AP Exams Last
Year

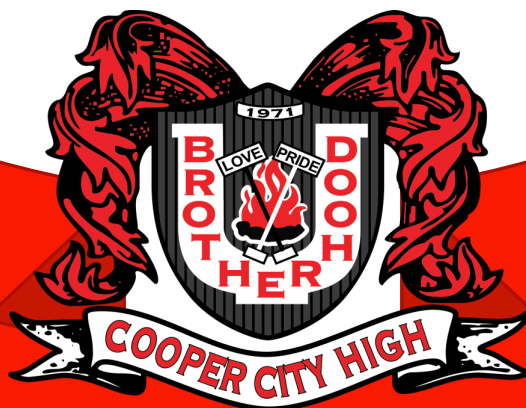
99 % Graduation Rate &
Over 95 % College Bound

Over 10 million in
Scholarships last year



Advanced Placement

- Endorsed by College Board
- AP Capstone Diploma
- Well Established in USA
- Exams: multiple choice and free response
- Exams administered within the school year



- ✓ Both advanced and rigorous
- ✓ Depth and breadth of subject matter
- ✓ Two quality points weighted GPA
- ✓ Possible credit by exam – equally accepted by Florida Schools
- ✓ Must take exams to earn quality points towards weighted GPA



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AICE Cambridge

- Offered by University of Cambridge
- Cambridge Diploma Option
- Florida Academic Scholars Award (Bright Futures Scholarship) without SAT/ACT scores
- Exams may be outside of school year
 - No make up exams

Advanced Academic Programs

**Advanced
Placement**



**AICE
Cambridge**



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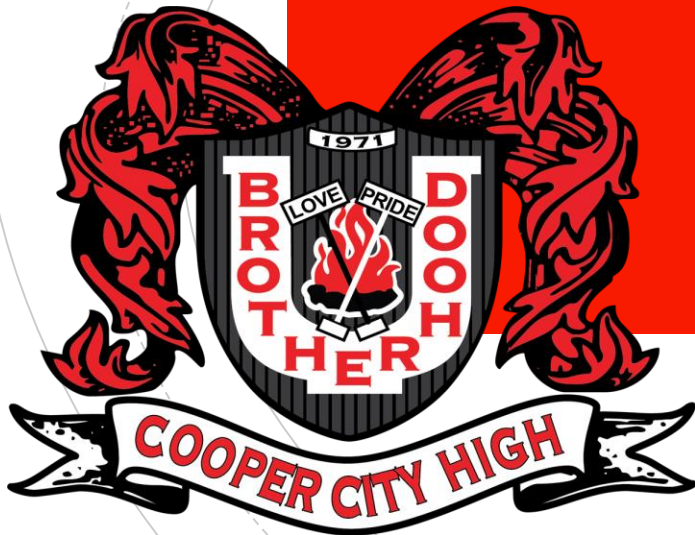
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College Board's Advanced Placement[®] Program (AP[®])

Cooper City High School

Melissa Megna, CCHS Testing Coordinator/ AP Coordinator



AP[®] School Honor Roll

2024



What is AP?

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2024**



- **AP is a series of courses that challenge students to think and learn at a higher level in preparation for college and careers.**
- **Students can take college-level courses in high school.**
- **Students are provided with course content that fosters critical thinking skills, and practices to be successful in AP courses, college courses, and beyond.**
- **Taking AP courses demonstrates to prospective colleges that students have sought the most challenging curriculum available to them.**

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AP Participation

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2023- 2024 School Year

- 799 students took one or more AP exams.
- 541 of them passed an AP exam with a 3 or higher
- 125 Students were AP Scholars
- 51 were AP Scholars with Honor
- 69 were AP Scholars with Distinction
- 17 students received AP Capstone Diplomas
- 5 students received AP Seminar Research Certificates

2024- 2025

875 Cooper City High students taking 1,875 AP exams.



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Pre-AP: The Basics



- Pre- AP courses are designed to:
 - provide students with content, skills and practices to be successful in AP courses
 - develops critical thinking skills
 - cultivates skills essential to success in AP courses, college courses and beyond.
- Pre- AP does not:
 - Provide college credit
 - Require a College Board final exam

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Pre- AP Crosswalk

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Pre- AP Course	AP Course
Pre- AP English 1 and 2	AP English Language and Composition AP English Literature and Composition AP Seminar
Pre- AP World History and Geography	AP European History AP Human Geography AP US History AP World History: Modern
Pre-AP Chemistry	AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science
Pre-AP Algebra 2	AP Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Statistics AP Physics 1



AP Course Offerings 2025- 2026

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Mathematics and Science

Pre- AP Algebra 2 Honors
Pre- AP Chemistry

AP Pre-Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics

AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Environmental Science
AP Physics 1

AP Computer Science
Principles
AP Computer Science A

Languages

Pre- AP English 1 Honors
Pre- AP English 2 Honors

AP English Language and
Composition
AP English Literature and
Composition

AP Spanish Language and Culture
AP Spanish Literature and Culture
AP French Language and Culture

Arts and Humanities

Pre-AP World History
Honors

AP Art 2-D Design
AP Art Drawing

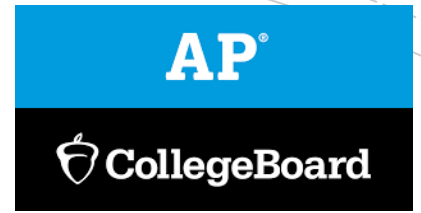
AP Human Geography
AP World History: Modern
AP US History
AP US Government
AP Macroeconomics
AP European History
AP Psychology

Interdisciplinary

AP Capstone Seminar
AP Capstone Research



AP Courses offered by Grade



Freshman Year

Pre- AP English 1 Honors
Pre- AP Algebra 2 Honors*

Pre-AP World History Honors

AP Human Geography

AP Computer Science Principles

AP Capstone Seminar

Sophomore Year

Pre- AP English 2 Honors
Pre- AP Algebra 2 Honors
Pre-AP World History Honors

AP World History: Modern
AP Capstone Seminar
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A
AP Pre-Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Psychology
AP Spanish Language
AP Spanish Literature

Junior Year

AP US History
AP Capstone Seminar
AP Capstone Research
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A
AP English Language
AP Environmental Science
AP Pre-Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Psychology
AP Physics 1
AP Spanish Language
AP Spanish Literature
AP Statistics
AP 2-D Design
AP Drawing and Portfolio

Senior Year

AP US Government and Politics
AP European History
AP Capstone Seminar
AP Capstone Research
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A
AP English Language
AP Environmental Science
AP Pre-Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Psychology
AP Physics 1
AP Spanish Language
AP Spanish Literature
AP Statistics

*GEM 8 Students only

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AP Capstone Diploma

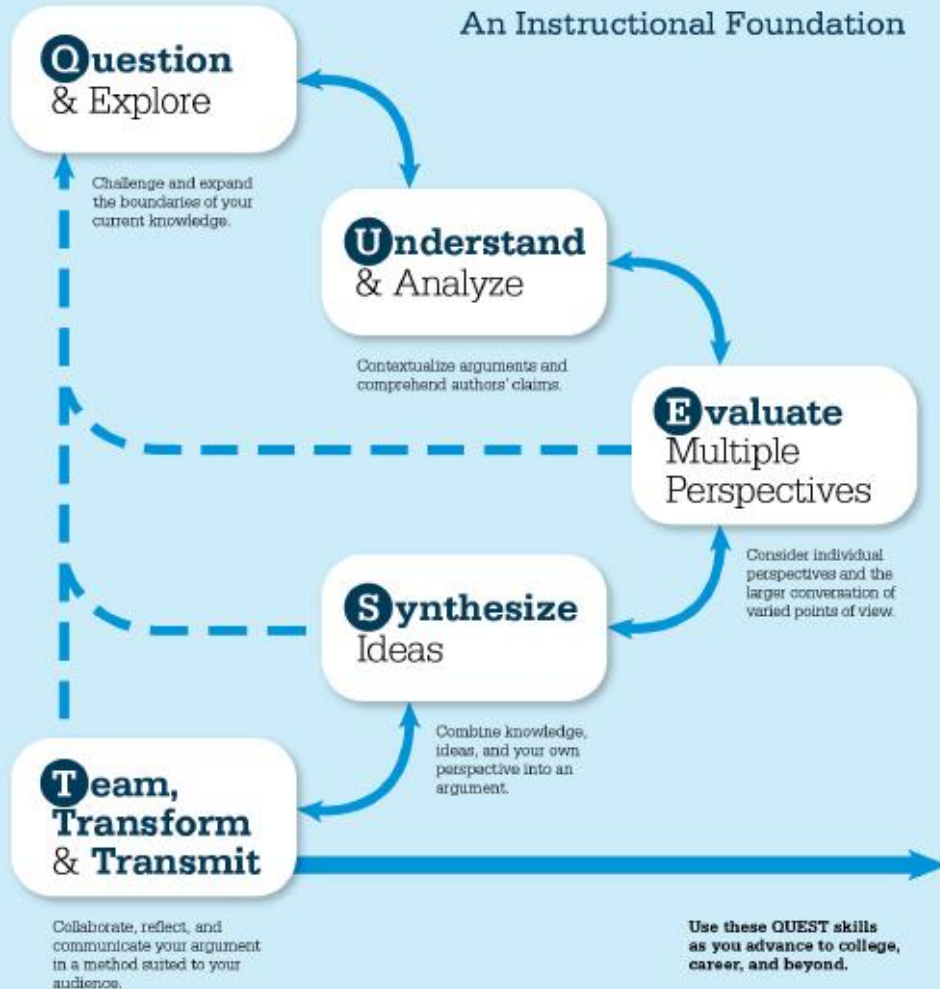


- **It is a two-year program**
 - **AP Seminar- Year 1**
 - **AP Research- Year 2**
- **In AP Seminar and AP Research students:**
 - **Investigate a variety of topics**
 - **Complete a research project**
 - **Write an academic paper**
 - **Create a presentation**
- **AP Capstone skills include:**
 - **Critical thinking-** the ability to view issues from multiple perspectives and create arguments based on evidence.
 - **Collaboration-** work alone, in a group, and with expert advisers to communicate ideas.
 - **Research-** explore various research methods and complete research projects on topics of their choosing.
 - **Publish speaking-** present and defend their work as a group and individually.
- **AP Seminar and AP Research help develop academic skills that are transferable to any subject.**

AP Capstone™

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An Instructional Foundation



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QUEST Framework for Essential Questions





**AP Capstone
Diploma™**

AP Seminar

Year 1

Earn score of 3 or higher

AP Research

Year 2

Earn score of 3 or higher

4 AP Exams

**Throughout High School
Earn score of 3 or higher**



**AP Seminar
and Research
Certificate™**

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AP Exams



- Are administered at the end of the school year in May.
- AP Exams are typically 2 to 3 hours long.
- They include:
 - Multiple-choice questions
 - Free- response items such as essays, document-based questions and shorter targeted responses.
- A score of 3 or higher typically earns a student college credit.
- Failure to take the AP exam will result in a \$40 exam cancellation fee and the removal of quality points toward the students GPA.



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AP Exam Grades

AP Exam Score	Recommendation	College Course Grade Equivalent
5	Extremely Well Qualified	A+ or A
4	Well Qualified	A-, B+, or B
3	Qualified	B-, C+, or C
2	Possibly Qualified	-----
1	No Recommendation	-----

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/about-ap-scores>



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AP Student Support

- AP Classroom (available for both Pre-AP and AP students)
 - AP Daily- short videos that can be viewed anytime to build content knowledge and skills.
 - AP Course Guides
 - AP Exam Practice
 - AP Student Practice (AP Calculus only) gives students guidance on how to think and respond to each part of the free-response questions.
- After school tutoring by National Honor Society.
- Extended Learning Opportunities (ELO) on after school/ Saturdays.
- District-wide Review sessions in April.



AP Student Benefits

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- Student learns rigorous college- level content and skills.
- Helps students:
 - Build critical thinking skills
 - Develop confidence
 - Improve time management and study skills
- Taking AP courses is valued in the college admission process.
- Opportunity to earn valuable credit and placement in college.
- Research shows that students who score a 3 or higher on an AP exam typically earn a higher GPA in college and have higher graduation rates than their non- AP peers.





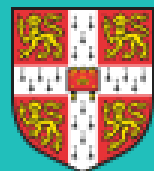
Next Steps:

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- Decide which AP courses are right for you:
 - What subjects do you enjoy the most?
 - Which subjects do you excel in?
 - Have you completed the course prerequisites?
- Talk to your teachers and counselor.
- Talk to other students who have taken AP courses.
- Explore the 6 Pre-AP and 26 AP courses offered at Cooper City High School.





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AICE CAMBRIDGE DIPLOMA PROGRAM AT COOPER CITY HIGH SCHOOL

LISA JONES

AICE Cambridge Coordinator

AICE and AP Teacher

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AICE Exams Officer

AICE Teacher



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AICE Cambridge Courses: Academic Benefits

- ❖ Challenging, enriching, and engaging academic experience which fosters critical thinking and analytical skills. Courses include a balance of STEM, language, and arts and humanities.
- ❖ Developed by the University of Cambridge, with a proven record of student success. AICE was officially adopted in Florida in 2001.
- ❖ Students in AICE classes learn to collaborate effectively in pairs and small groups of various sizes to problem solve and create. They develop a deep understanding of the subjects as well as independent learning and critical thinking skills – abilities that universities value highly. Concepts transfer to other courses and real-world applications.
- ❖ Universities value the critical thinking skills, independent research abilities and deep subject knowledge that Cambridge learners bring.



Why Pursue the AICE Cambridge Diploma?

- ❖ Scholars who successfully earn their AICE Diploma and log 100 community service hours will be awarded the Florida Academic Scholarship without a minimum GPA or SAT/ACT scores.
- ❖ Florida schools recognize the AICE Diploma and award credit for AICE courses. Many out of state schools award credit for A-Level coursework, and the Common App now includes AICE.
- ❖ AICE courses earn two quality points:
 - A=6 points
 - B=5 points
 - C=4 points



AICE Cambridge Diploma Graduation Pathway: Florida Bright Futures

**ONE course in
Category 1: Math
and Science**

**ONE course in
Category 2:
Languages**

**ONE Course in
Category 3: Arts
and Humanities**

**At least THREE
additional
courses of the
scholar's choice**

**ALL scholars take
GLOBAL
PERSPECTIVES
AND RESEARCH**

**100 Service Hours
Logged prior to
graduation**





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AICE Diploma Pathways:

Cambridge International Courses at Cooper City High School

Category 1:

Mathematics & Science

☐ Marine Science AS and A*

*Prerequisite/ co-requisite chemistry

☐ Environmental Management*

Category 2:

Languages

☐ English Language AS and A* **

☐ Spanish Language

☐ French Language

Category 3:

Arts & Humanities

☐ Sociology

☐ Business

☐ AICE Classical Studies AS and A

☐ English Literature*

☐ History*

☐ Media Studies (film)

☐ Media Studies (general)

☐ Environmental Management*

☐ Drama (AS and A)

☐ Travel & Tourism

Category 4:

Interdisciplinary

☐ English General Paper*

☐ Thinking Skills

Mandatory CORE

☐ Global Perspectives & Research

* This course satisfies a high school core course credit requirement.

** AICE English Language is a high school English credit course. Students do NOT need to take a foreign language to satisfy Category 2.

AICE Cambridge Diploma Timeline FAQ

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How long do I have to complete my diploma coursework?

Scholars have 25 months from their first AICE EXAM to complete the 7 courses for their AICE Diploma.

What happens if I don't finish within in 25 months?

Scholars can retake prior exams to “re-age” the 25 -month window. This does NOT restart the whole process; it just changes the 7 courses in 25 months window.

Can I begin my AICE Diploma in any school year?

Most scholars elect to begin the diploma process in their 9th grade year; however, it is possible to begin in 10th grade, and we have also had successful students who began their AICE Diploma journey in their 11th grade year.



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AICE Exams

- ❖ Exams are taken at the end of the course - students develop a deeper understanding of subjects
- ❖ Each subject receives a separate grade

Cambridge Exam Grade	U.S. Performance Grade
A*, A	A+, A
B	A-, B+
C	B
D	C+
E	C
U	Did not pass

<https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/usa/score-results-for-students/>

- ❖ Grades are from A* to E, with A* being the highest.
- ❖ Exams in November and June Series

NOTE: There are no makeups for exams. Students who miss an exam may elect to pay for and take the exam in the next exam series. If the time “ages out,” students will have to take enough exams to satisfy the requirement in the new diploma window.

AP and AICE General Information

Students can take AP and AICE classes simultaneously

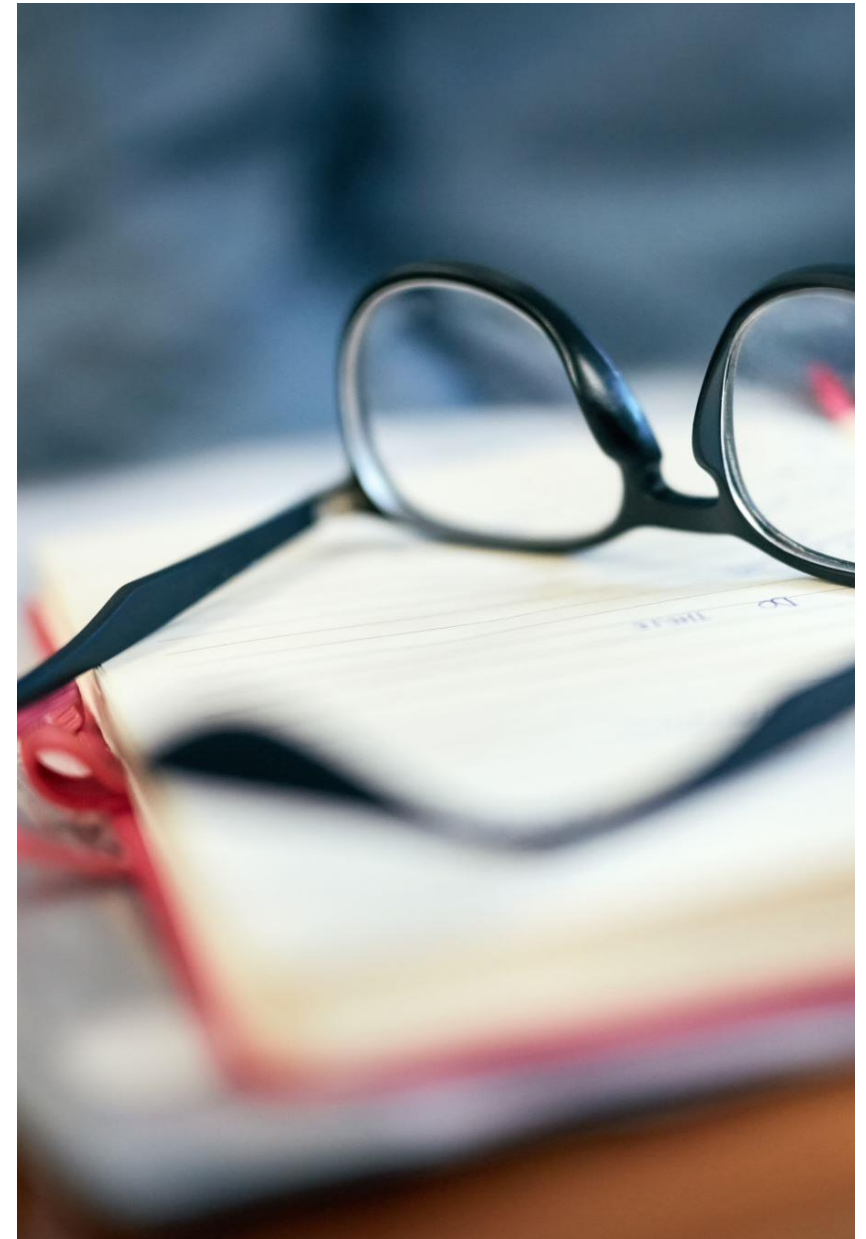
Students earn 2 quality points on local GPA for AP and AICE classes

Students may earn college credit if AICE or AP exams are passed

Difference with AICE Program

Students may earn an AICE Diploma

Students earning an AICE diploma, and 100 community service hours will qualify for Bright Futures – Florida Academic Scholar Award



School Counseling Team

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School Counseling
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**School Counseling
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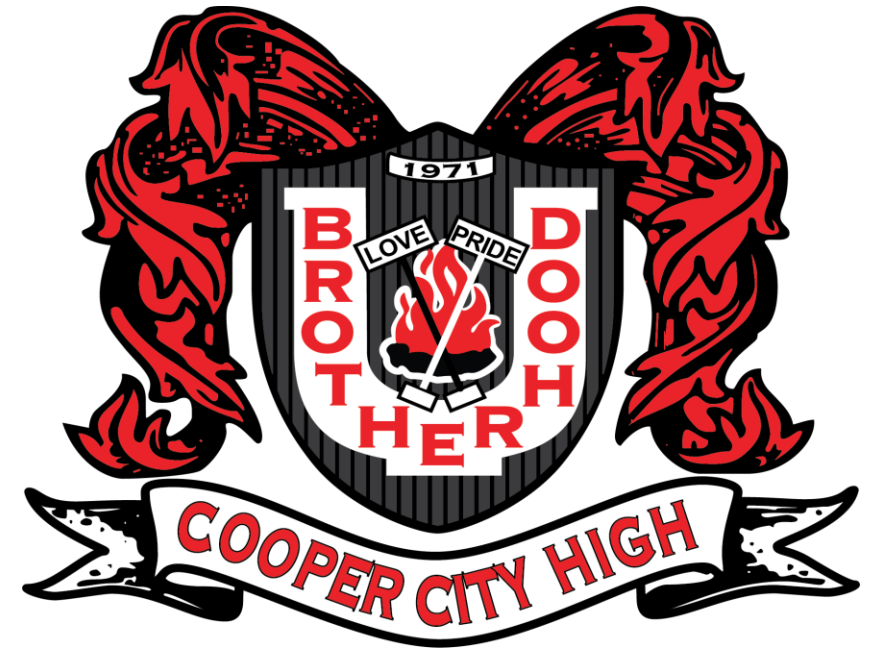
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11th Grade

Roni Blum, 504 Liason
Guidance Resource



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Dual Enrollment
for high school students

Dual Enrollment

- Is your scholar ready?
- Taking college level classes that count as BOTH college credit and high school credit.
- 2 quality points towards Weighted High School GPA
- FREE- NO payment for fees, books, tuition
- Begins college GPA

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Dual Enrollment
for high school students

Dual Enrollment (DE) and Early Admission

- Eligibility requirements
 - GPA, test scores, application
- College-level instruction
- Grades part of college transcript
- To apply:
 - 1. Must have an UNWEIGHTED 3.0 by deadline
 - 2. Obtain your BC ID number
 - 3. Return forms before the due date
 - ALL test scores, GPA requirements, and forms must be completed by deadline for each semester

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Dual Enrollment Options



Embry Riddle
Aeronautical
University -
Principles of Aero
Science &
Unmanned Air
Systems



Broward College-
Adulting SLS 1001



FIU- English
Language &
Composition
ENC 1101 and 1102

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Course Selection Suggestion

Choose your classes
wisely

Develop time
management skills

Choose courses that
maximize your
strengths

Speak with teachers
and students who
have already taken
the course

Balance

Remember: there are
only 24 hours in a
day!

What do Colleges look for?

Challenge yourself with:

Taking as many AP/IBCE course offerings on your high school campus is one of the most important parts of building your college application.

Consistency and Commitment:

Be consistent with your course choices and when choosing a specific course or track make a commitment to see it through.



College Admissions Readers are Looking For:

1. Strong *course rigor* across the board (AICE, AP, IB, and then DE as enhancement)

2. Strong *performance* (A, B) in those rigorous courses, and

3. Strong *ACT/SAT* test scores

Once a candidate has ticked those boxes, then they are typically looking at the other holistic qualities that comprise the student profile (extra-curricular, volunteering, etc.)

Common Questions

❖ **Can I take Advanced Placement, AICE Cambridge, and Dual Enrollment classes and/or participate in other programs and extracurricular activities?**

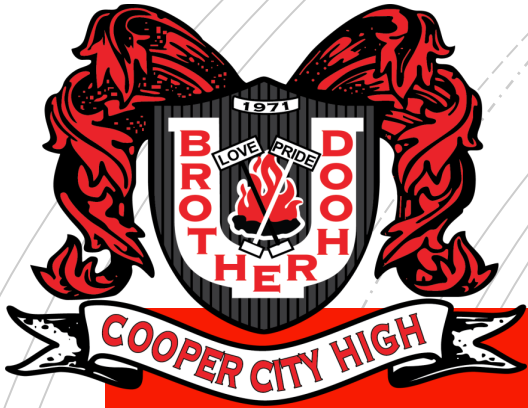
➤ *YES! The programs work very well together, and we will design a schedule for interested students.*

❖ **Can I take the AP Capstone and AICE Cambridge classes?**

➤ *Yes, they complement one another, and we work on a schedule to accommodate both.*

❖ **Can I take a Cambridge course, even though I don't think I will go for the AICE diploma?**

➤ *Yes, you can!*

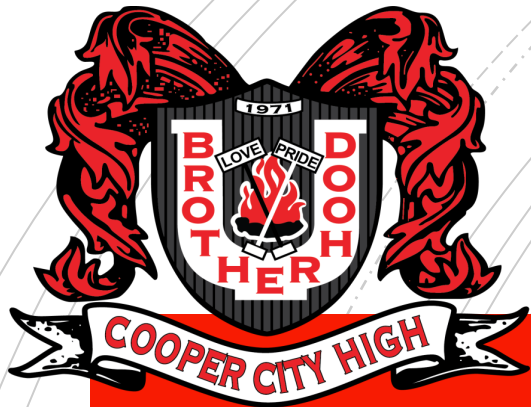


Breakout Sessions

Meet the teachers and learn more about each subject

- **Media Center** School Counseling, Testing Information
- **Auditorium** AICE General Paper
- **3403** AICE Global Perspectives, AP Capstone, AP Seminar
- **3407** AP English Literature, AICE English Literature, AP English Language, AICE English Language, Pre-AP English
- **3408** AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics, AP Pre-Calculus
- **3412** AP Computer Science Principles, AP Computer Science A
- **3413** AP Physics, AP Chemistry, Pre-AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Environmental Science
- **3414** Dual Enrollment

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- **3415** AICE Business, AICE Travel & Tourism
- **3416** AICE Thinking Skills, Pre-AP Algebra 2
- **3417** AICE Environmental Management, AICE Marine Science
- **3424** AICE Sociology, AP US History
- **3425** AP World History, Pre-AP World History, AICE History: European, AP European History
- **3426** AP Government, AP Macroeconomics
- **3428** AICE Drama
- **3429** AP Psychology & Pre-AP World History
- **3433** AP Art 2D Design, AP Art Drawing
- **3434** AP Geography
- **3435** AP Spanish Language, AP Spanish Literature, AICE Spanish Language, AICE French Language

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