

So, you want to take AP English Language and Composition  
The AP Motto (a la Jonathan Yi): **Work Labor Struggle Strife**

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**AP English Language and Composition Checklist**

*Check the following items if they apply to you; be honest.*

\_\_\_\_\_ my Terra Nova scores in the language, mechanics, and critical readings sections are all about the 80 percentile or above (in comparison to other sophomores)

\_\_\_\_\_ my PSAT scores in the verbal section are very high indicating that I am on the track to take AP Lang and Comp (see guidance for this info)

\_\_\_\_\_ my verbal scores in the PSAT put me in the top 20% percentile

\_\_\_\_\_ I have been taking honors English courses in middle school and my freshman and sophomore years

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received at least a B average in my freshman and sophomore honors English courses

\_\_\_\_\_ I like to read literature of literary merit (not to be confused with popular fiction)

\_\_\_\_\_ I like to write and rewrite essays (not to be confused with text messaging or chat room lingo)

\_\_\_\_\_ I am registered with College Board for the SAT Question of the Day (and I do it) and with Dictionary.com's word of the day (and I read it—and study it)

\_\_\_\_\_ I probably will not have more than one other AP class.

*If you don't have many checks above, it is not highly recommended you take AP Lang and Comp. Remember, this is only a guideline. The final decision lies with you and your parents or guardians.*

**Some AP Facts and Figures**

- In the 2006-7 the AP Language enrollment started at 100 for three sections; 61 finished the course; there were 7 A's
- In 2007-8, 41 started AP Lang with 35 finishing (there were about 6 A's)
- In 2008-9, 60 started AP Lang with 50 finishing (presently, there about 10 A's)
- Are you sure you want to take AP Lang and Comp? Choose wisely.