

AP CHEM On-boarding and Summer work.

Welcome to AP CHEM! It will be one of the most rewarding classes that you will have ever taken. Clearly, AP CHEM is the only AP course that is still taught at the college level and that is why it is the most accepted AP for college credits. Even Ivy League schools will grant up to 12 Chemistry credits (i.e. 2 semesters of chemistry lectures and 2 semesters of chemistry labs) for students that score a 5. Many B-tier schools will grant you 12 credits for simply getting a 3.

While the summer quiz is only due on August 18th, the following steps must be done ASAP.

- 1) Please fill in the Getting-to-know-you [questionnaire](#) and choose your class color.
- 2) Sign in for the What'sApp Community and send me a text with your name so WhatsApp automatically connects your phone number and to your name.

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WhatsApp group



- 3) Sign up for the Instagram page @tncaapchem. For privacy purposes @tncaapchem will never ask to follow you back until you graduate from TNCA. Only current and former AP CHEM students from True North are allowed to follow @tncaapchem
- 4) Join for the AP CHEM Summer Google Classroom at <https://classroom.google.com/c/Njk5OTAzMTUyNjk5?cjc=lyuu7cvk>

You will find the summer review notes, review worksheet (that must be turned in via the google classroom before the first day of class) and, the [summer quiz](#) that is due by end of day on the first day of class (i.e the week after Titan take-over). You will also find information and a sign-in sheet for the boot camps held during the week of July 27th.

- 5) Sign-in for the bootcamp during the week of July 27th. The boot camp will run from 8:30am until 4pm Here is a tentative schedule:

MTW July 27th-29th: classic AP CHEM bootcamp. Students that attend all three days will not need to turn in their summer package (even though the [summer quiz](#) is still due).

Thursday July 30th: Good lab practices. We will talk about the different lab instruments, how to use them with good technique, and we will run two 1-hour labs.

- 6) Please Check the sign-in sheet instructions [📄 AP Resources sign-in instructions](#)

Like I told the class last year, I am not going to tell you not to be scared. You should be scared! But I can tell you that I will be with you every step of the way.

Here are testimonies from the past two years:

"Keep pushing and don't give up. It's worth it in the end."

"Study more and suck up your pride so you can go to office hours. They help a lot."

"Stay consistent with your studying and keep going to office hours!"

"Stick through it. I promise you it is not that bad. Also, delegate your time better."

"At first, I didn't want to take the class, but after each class went by, I enjoyed the class even more and enjoyed learning from you. Thank you so much for everything. Especially the times where we met after school out of your free time to help me understand the material better. I appreciate it all, thank you so much Dr. Galopin."

"Dr. Galopin was such an amazing teacher and I can't thank him enough for all the effort and time he dedicated to us and this course."

"Dr. Galopin is an amazing teacher and helped me so much throughout the year. I am very grateful!!!"

Don't be lazy; watch daily AP videos; office hours during lunch!!

Watch review videos from the start and go to office hours.

Stick through it, don't get discouraged if you don't do well, follow Dr Galopin's advice, GO TO OFFICE HOURS, practice FRQs for test since the beginning

Better time management on the FRQs and to not overthink too much on the concepts

Watch Krug. Everything clicks when he explains it. Finish the class work practice worksheet. Be honest with Dr. Galopin about what you know and what you do not know so he can help you.

Teaching is the best way to learn.

Don't move on from units without knowing them like the back of your hand.

Incorporate practice into studying way earlier and really make an effort to set aside time to do at least some of the MCQs assigned on time because they really do help

Do not stress too much because eventually you'll come to love the class and you'll understand everything!

Make the effort of being consistent more in regard to showing up during office hours instead of expecting to be able to teach yourself and learn material on your own. It works with other AP classes but not with AP Chemistry.

Actually go to office hours.

Don't think about the class in terms of quarters and grades. Just take it day by day, lesson by lesson. You have a teacher who will do so much to make sure you understand the content, so just make sure to take advantage of it.

Go to office hours and take practice tests starting in the beginning of 3rd quarter.

To actually ask more questions, more of "whys".