ESCONDIDO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

COURSE OF STUDY OUTLINE AND INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES

COURSE TITLE: AP Psychology A/B


DEPARTMENT: Social Science

PREREQUISITE: Recommend - Biology or an equivalent course

LENGTH OF COURSE: One Year

SEMESTER PERIOD OF CREDITS: 5 per semester

GRADE LEVEL(S): 11-12

DATE ADOPTED: May 17, 2005 (Revised course description 3/10/15)
(Adopted new Textbook 6/21/16)

Meets EUHSD Elective Credit

MEETS UC “g” ADMISSION REQUIREMENT

TEXTBOOK: In addition to the EUHSD Board Approved textbook, teachers will utilize a variety of resources designed to assist students in meeting the requirements set forth by the College Board in preparation for the Advanced Placement Exam. In addition, Advanced Placement teachers are required to submit their Course Syllabus in accordance with College Board requirements and receive individual teacher approval to utilize a variety of instructional strategies and course materials in order to meet the requirements set forth in the Advanced Placement Course Guides.


COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course introduces students to the systematic and scientific study of human behavior and mental processes. While considering the psychologists and studies that have shaped the field, students explore and apply psychological theories, key concepts, and phenomena associated with such topics as the biological bases of behavior, sensation and perception, learning and cognition, motivation, developmental psychology, testing and individual differences, treatment of abnormal behavior, and social psychology. Throughout the course, students employ psychological research methods, including ethical considerations, as they use the scientific method, analyze bias, evaluate claims and evidence, and effectively communicate ideas.

Note: For update on current course curriculum go to www.collegeboard.org