

# INCREASING STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR RIGOROUS COURSEWORK IN HIGH SCHOOL

Equal Opportunity Schools

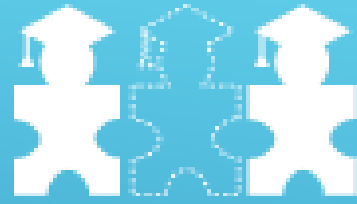
AP Updates

AP Capstone Diploma



Equal Opportunity Schools (EOS) collaborates with school districts to identify low-income students and students of color who qualify, but are missing from challenging college-preparatory courses, such as AP or concurrent enrollment classes. EOS then works with the schools to enroll these students in these classes and support their academic success.

PARTNERSHIP WITH EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  
SCHOOLS  
COTTONWOOD-CYPRUS-GRANGER-HUNTER



EQUAL  
OPPORTUNITY  
SCHOOLS

School Equity Teams

Student and Staff Surveys

Student Outreach

Reports and Analytics

# EQUITY TEAMS

- ▶ Messaging to school staff
- ▶ Data analysis
- ▶ Outreach and advocacy planning
- ▶ Development of sustainable practices to ensure equity work continues in the future
- ▶ Work with EOS Partnership Director

- ▶ 8,874 students and 448 staff surveyed
- ▶ Data compiled for Equity Pathway reports and Student Insight cards

## SURVEYING STUDENTS AND STAFF



- ▶ Equity Teams developed outreach lists from survey data
- ▶ Whole group events
- ▶ Individual trusted adult contacts
- ▶ Outreach to parents

# STUDENT OUTREACH

# Enrollment Increases

## Fall 2018 to Fall 2019

Total AP Enrollment  
increased from 1,426 to  
2,129 students

Total AP Enrollment for  
low SES and students of  
color increased from  
791 to 1,324 students

Total AP, Concurrent, or  
both enrollment  
increased from 1,444  
To 2,672 students



Work with Equity Teams to build school capacity to continue the work without EOS



Assist staff in creating a sense of belonging in AP/concurrent classes



Continue gathering and analyzing student and staff data including new Insight Cards

# EOS FOCUS 2019 AND BEYOND



# NEW AP TOOLS TO ENSURE TEACHER AND STUDENT SUCCESS

- ▶ [https://youtu.be/d1KWqcCL\\_BU](https://youtu.be/d1KWqcCL_BU)
- ▶ Unit Guides
- ▶ Personal Progress Checks
- ▶ AP Question Bank
- ▶ Progress Dashboard



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™

# AP CAPSTONE DIPLOMA

- ▶ Students investigate a variety of topics through various viewpoints of their choice.
- ▶ Students complete a team project, individual research based essay/presentation, and take a written end-of-course exam.



# AP SEMINAR



Students explore various research methods and complete an independent research project.



At the end of the project, students submit their academic paper and present and defend their research findings.

# AP RESEARCH

AP Capstone candidates stand out:

- ▶ On college applications and essays because they demonstrate critical thinking, communication, and research skills.
- ▶ In college interviews because of their confidence, expertise, and passion when they talk about their unique academic projects.
- ▶ To college admissions officers because students know how to build evidence based arguments, apply research methods, work in teams, deliver professional presentations, and complete long-term academic projects.

AP CAPSTONE BENEFITS STUDENTS IN  
COLLEGE ADMITTANCE PROCESS