What is AP?

Started in 1955 by the College Board, a national not-for-profit membership association whose mission is to connect students to college success and opportunity, the Advanced **Placement** Program (AP) enables students to pursue collegelevel studies while in high school. Based on their performance on rigorous AP Examinations, students can earn credit, advanced placement, or both for college.





Willing and academically prepared students deserve the opportunity to succeed in rigorous experiences and the advantages they bring.

Our Mission:

Birney K-8 School is a caring community school with qualified, dedicated, caring professionals educating young people in a diverse setting for self-development, learning and success. Each student will be a life-long learner and a responsible citizen in a global community.



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Why AP Prep in Elementary and Middle School?



By participating in AP Prep in elementary and middle school, students will develop the academic skills and discipline necessary to prepare for the rigor of Advanced Placement in high school and college.



Helping Students Succeed



Key Elements

- Application approved process
- Students are assigned an AP Teacher Advisor
- Students conference regularly with AP Teacher Advisor
- Project Based Learning
- AP Prep students have a home-based classroom, however, may take advanced Math or ELA courses in another classroom.

Principles

- Increase rigor in core content areas
- Celebrate all areas of giftedness
- Offer options for high-ability students
- Develop a pipeline for students to move into more rigorous coursework at the middle and high school level.

Opportunities

<u>At Birney K-8</u>

- **Guest Lecturers**
- Project Presentations
- ♦ Peer Leaders
- ⋄ Field Trip Experiences

At District Level

Off campus experiences in the areas of science, math, writing, and cultural awareness.