

**POLICY SHEET**

COURSE	<b>Advanced Placement Computer Science A</b>
TEXTBOOK	Horstmann, Cay. Java Concepts for AP Computer Science. 5 <sup>th</sup> Edition. Wiley, 2008. with WileyPLUS (required). It is expected that the student will purchase one of the AP study guides recommended by the teacher at least two months in advance of the AP exam.
TEACHER	Mr. Owenby
EXPECTATIONS	AP Computer Science is an advanced college-level class. Students are expected to demonstrate a high level of maturity and self-motivation in this class. Students are expected to complete their chapter readings from the textbook, <u>prior</u> to lecture. Students are expected to be on-time for class and to attend class faithfully. Students are expected to come to class, prepared to begin work immediately. Distractions such as game playing and Internet surfing during class will not be tolerated.
CONDUCT	Students are expected to uphold the highest standards of civility and honorable conduct, demonstrate respect for all people, honesty in all matters, and protect the property of Maclay School and its community. Students are expected to strictly adhere to the requirements set forth in the Maclay Upper School Handbook and follow the rules posted in the lab/classroom. I do not expect, nor will I tolerate behavior that disrupts the flow of the class. Unacceptable conduct will be subject to disciplinary action.
TESTS	You should anticipate and expect a test to be given at the end of each chapter. There is no assigned day for Computer Science tests, therefore tests may be given on any day of the week. Generally, students will be allowed to use one page of hand written notes during a test.
CHEATING	Copying the work of another and submitting it as you own, or allowing another student to copy your work constitutes cheating and will be referred to the Honor Council.
LATE WORK	All work assigned in this course is required to be completed and turned in, in order to pass the course. Work submitted late will receive a grade of "Z" (-6 on the 12-point scale), absent a valid medical excuse or serious family emergency.
GRADING	Tests will constitute 50% of your grade. Homework, quizzes, in-class assignments, classroom participation, programs and projects will make up the other 50% of your grade.
MAKE-UP TESTS	Make-up tests should be taken the day you return to class, but no later than the second day following an absence.
MIDTERM EXAM	Students will complete a major programming project in lieu of the midterm exam. This project must be completed and turned in no later than Friday, December 12, 2008. This is done to allow students to concentrate fully on their other academic subjects during exam week.
AP EXAM	Students who take this course are required to pay for and take the AP exam on Tuesday, May 5, 2009. Students who are also taking AP Spanish this year, will take the AP Computer Science exam at a later exam. The fee for the AP Exam in 2008 was \$84. The fee this year may be more.

This Policy Sheet should be considered an “unofficial contract” between the student and teacher. Please sign one copy and return to the teacher, retaining the other copy in your notebook for future reference.

I have read and agree to follow the policies outlined in this policy sheet for Advanced Placement Computer Science.

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PARENT NAME (Please print)

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