



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
EAGLE ROCK JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL
An International Baccalaureate World School – Middle Years & Diploma Programmes
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Dear Eagle Rock families,

I am writing to inform you about a change that we are making in our Course of Study (CoS) for our rising 11th grade students and beyond with regard to English Language Arts (ELA). As you know, our school is an International Baccalaureate World School with two authorized IB programmes. The Middle Years' Programme involves all of students in grades 7-10 and culminates with the 10th grade Personal Project. The other program is the IB Diploma Program (IBDP) which is our most rigorously academic program serving students who elect to take on the challenge in 11th and 12th grades.

Although our IBDP has grown, the majority of our 11th and 12th graders do not choose to attempt the full programme. To enable students to continue their IB experience beyond 10th grade, we are making a significant change to open more IB classrooms during Junior and Senior years. The change involves our school transitioning away from more traditional Advanced Placement and Honors ELA courses, towards course curricula aligned with our identity as an IB World School.

Effective for the 2024-2025 school year, Eagle Rock Juniors previously electing to enroll in AP English Language and Composition will instead be enrolled in IB DP Language and Literature Higher Level (HL). Furthermore the 11th grade Honors American Literature and Contemporary Composition courses will also shift towards greater alignment with the IB DP Language and Literature Standard Level (SL) course. Our school's academic team and our Language and Literature department have thoroughly analyzed the effects of these changes on our student's college preparation and admissibility and have determined that there are extensive benefits to these changes without significant repercussions.

If you would like to learn more about these changes, you are invited to attend one of two upcoming parent meetings on the subject. The first meeting will be on Thursday, April 11th at 5:00 p.m. in the school Auditorium and the second meeting will be a virtual meeting on Thursday, April 18th at 6:00 p.m. <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82273818317?pwd=b0VYdlBkV2F4TU1idE1rNlVFYTIVUT09>
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We look forward to discussing these changes with you at either of our upcoming meetings. More information regarding IB can be found on our school's website www.erhs.la/dp.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Derek Steinorth". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Derek Steinorth
Assistant Principal