

Second Floor Scoop

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STUDENTS

LaGuardia's AP Fair

Informs and Excites Students

Thank you to all students and teachers who participated in LaGuardia's AP Fair!

AP Brochure Available Online

The AP Brochure is now available online at LaProgram.org. Prospective AP students should visit the Program Office site to review

Advanced Placement course offerings for the next school year.

The AP Artist

Alessandra Rao deserves accolades for creating the cover art for the AP Brochure and the icons for this special edition of the Second Floor Scoop.

Visual Art Programming

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If you have not made a choice by Sunday, April 29, you will be placed in undersubscribed classes.

Note that you are not allowed to take Photography more than once.

Not all pairings will be offered in the fall; therefore, you will make a first and a second choice.

We offer the following pairings:

2012-13 Art Offerings*	
Proposed Double Periods	
Fall	Spring
Photography	Photography
Sculpture	Sculpture
Digital Media	Digital Media
Advanced Illustration	Mural Painting
Advanced Painting	Mixed Media
Sculpture	Advanced Painting
Advanced Painting	Advanced Watercolor
Architecture	Interior Design
Advanced Printmaking	Advanced Ceramics
Proposed Single Periods	
Fall	Spring
Anatomy	3-D Design
Pen and Ink	Anatomy
Anatomy	Realistic Drawing
Children's Books	Anatomy
Colored Pencil	Fashion
3-D Design	Pen and Ink

*Subject to Change

TEACHERS

Submitting EGG Files



The second marking period will end on Monday, April 16. Your EGG file will be delivered to your DOE e-mail inbox shortly.

Grades are due at 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 19.

Last Name	Send your EGG file to
A-L	Alex Moore, amoore@schools.nyc.gov
M-Z	Marc Shale, mshale@schools.nyc.gov

The following are acceptable grades for the second marking period: 40, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 88, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 1, and 7. **(9 is not a valid grade.)** Thank you.

Submitting Grade Revisions



When sending grade revisions, please compose a new e-mail instead of replying to an existing one.

Interim Reports



Interim Progress Reports will be ready to be picked up from department chairpersons on Friday, May 4. They are due to Ms. van Keulen on Wednesday, May 9. We expect to send them out on Wednesday, May 16.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to communicate with parents.

AP Proctoring Schedule



The proctoring schedule for Advanced Placement examinations will be made available to teachers after spring break. Teachers should review the schedule when they take it from the mailbox at that time. Anyone with questions should contact Ms. van Keulen at lvankeu@schools.nyc.gov.

Please Lock Away Valuables Before Spring Vacation.



Please secure all personal items and school equipment (TVs, DVD players, projectors) before the spring break. Custodial staff will also be disposing of papers and other items on window sills, etc. In addition, Mr. Law will lock up technology items such as laptop carts, LCD projectors, and SMART boards.

Teacher Surveys Are Due on Thursday, April 5.



School surveys for parents, students, and teachers are due by Thursday, April 5. Teachers should call the Survey Hotline at 1-800-690-8603 if they have lost survey materials.

Integrating Technology
10010010 Into Teaching



Third SMART Board Training Session

The third smart board training session will be on Wednesday, April 18, during 9th and 10th periods in the Seventh-floor Computer Lab.

PARENTS

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Fall 2012 Programming



Registering in Daedalus

Resources: You can find the information on this page online at LaProgram.org. In addition, you will receive a letter that explains the programming process.

Deadline: The system will open on **Monday, April 16**. Your preferences will only receive consideration if your online request is completed by **Sunday, April 29, at 11:59 p.m.**

Overview: Go to LaProgram.org to review sequencing information and course descriptions; next, follow directions to log in to Daedalus and select courses for next year. If you do not know your username or password, e-mail Ms. Wilson at kwilson@schools.nyc.gov. You should consider your report card and your permanent record, which are both available on Daedalus, while making class selections.

Requesting Courses: After you have reviewed course offerings and sequencing at LaProgram.org, click on the link to register in Daedalus.

- **Automatic Processing:** Most of your course requests will be processed automatically following standard sequencing in all academic subjects and some studio classes. (Your input will not be necessary). For example, if you currently take English 2 (ninth grade English) you will automatically be promoted to English 3 (tenth grade English).
- **Multiple Options:** You may use Daedalus to select a course in a sequence when more than one option is offered, which is the case in science, foreign language, English, and some studios.
- **AP, Honors, and Elective Courses:** In addition, several electives, AP, and honors courses are offered, and you will be prompted to make choices about your requests.

AP and Honors

Applying for Honors Classes: If you are currently in an honors class and have maintained an average of 85 or above, you need not register for the next honors class; you will automatically be placed in honors for the next year.

Applying for AP Classes: For all AP classes, you will need to apply even if you are already in honors.

Changing Tracks: If you are not in honors and would like to be or are interested in applying for AP classes, you must request these courses on Daedalus.

Requesting AP or Honors: For each honors or AP class you request, if you have a subject average of 90 or above, you will automatically be accepted into the pool of qualified students for that course. If you do not have at least a 90, you will be directed to apply for the WAIT version of the class, but please do not be discouraged. A significant number of students from that list will end up in their desired course. You may speak to your teacher, the appropriate department chairperson, or

your guidance counselor about your commitment to enroll and excel in that class.

Science, Foreign Language, and Studios

Elective Courses: For science, foreign language and studio electives, there are department criteria regarding what courses students should choose, based on proficiency level in the current class, the subject, and, in the case of music ensembles, auditions. Detailed information about the sequencing in each department is presented at LaProgram.org. Please read all information carefully to know for what courses you need to register and how to request classes. All courses are year-long.

Disclaimer: The offering of fourth-year math and science courses other than AP courses is contingent on budgetary constraints. We will open these options in June.

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Review visual art pairings on the other page of this installment of the Second Floor Scoop.

Sample Student Experiences

What to Expect: When you log in to Daedalus, choose classes from the drop-down menus that appear. For example, current freshmen are asked whether they would like to take Earth Science or Chemistry; they will also decide whether to continue with the next level of foreign language. In addition, twelfth graders are required to choose either AP Literature or one of the following English electives: Psychology and Literature, Creative Writing, and Film Literature.

Guidance Counselor Support

Discussing Changes: If you wish to change a request including dropping honors classes, or if you would like your counselor to go over your request with you, there will be one last opportunity to review or change the courses you requested. You may meet with your guidance counselor (May 29, 30, and 31) as follows:

Tuesday, May 29 ----- Juniors
 Wednesday, May 30 ----- Sophomores
 Thursday, May 31 ----- Freshmen

Deadline: Be aware that counselors will not add any courses if you did not use Daedalus between April 16-April 29 to request classes!

Special Cases: Note that student course requests will be honored unless one of the following is true:

- The class is oversubscribed.
- The class is eliminated due to low registration, budgetary, or space restraints.
- There are conflicting course selections.