

Dear AP Biology Student,

First off, congrats on taking an AP and for taking the initiative to challenge yourself. That's something to be proud of! I hope you enjoy this course and the lessons you'll learn along the way.

To start, do not take this class if you are not willing to be autonomous and learn material on your own at home. The structure of the class largely relies on your ability to go home, read the textbook and do the learning objectives, then come to class and ask questions. It is almost guaranteed that you will have to self-study chapters if you want to achieve a high score on the AP exam, simply because there is not enough time in the school year to cover everything. So, let that be your warning, and do not take this class if you will not find some enjoyment in self-studying biology.

If you are willing to be independent, you can still enjoy this class. One of my favorite parts of the class was the in-class labs we did. Mr. Tadlock lets you work with friends and discuss the results together.

Keep in mind that Mr. Tadlock is more than willing to explain concepts, provide examples, and give guidance - so long as you ask. Participate in class and remember that if you have a question there's a high chance somebody else has that same question!

Best of Luck!!!

~ A Fellow AP Bio Student

