

Dear rising AP Bio students,

You will learn volumes about life and how all its pieces and parts operate. However, the information that you need to learn is complex and extensive, so the year will be intense and fast-paced. You will have to spend more time outside of class on studying the information than you are used to. Before you are locked into taking the class, make sure you really want to take it and are willing to work because the class is a big commitment. This is especially recommended for those of you who have time-consuming extracurricular activities. To do well, study the book and the lecture outline on the AP Biology webpage. These helped me get a satisfying grade for the year. Also, begin going over the material a week or more before the test date to be able to learn the material well. I know it sucks but there is no other way to get a high grade. Other classes will be easy after taking this course! For the AP test as well as normal unit tests, also study the released free response questions that are available online. Answer keys are provided. Getting a used textbook on ebay or Amazon is a good idea because the books tend to fall apart easily and are huge. I hope this class provides opportunities to learn interesting things.