AP Biology Syllabus 2010-2011

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<u>Course Overview</u>: Advanced Placement Biology (AP Bio) is designed to be the equivalent of a two semester first year college biology course with a laboratory. The course can serve as preparation for the AP Biology examination administered May 9th (2011). Successful completion of the course and a score of 3 or above on the exam, may qualify the student for credit for an introductory level biology course at the college or university level (varies from school to school).

The material for the course is designed around 8 major themes of Biology, as described in the AP Biology Course Description. These include: 1) science as a process, 2) evolution, 3) energy transfer, 4) continuity and change, 5) structure and function, 6) regulation, 7) interdependence and 8) science, technology and nature). These themes are the overarching framework that ties together the individual topics.