

2026 AP CHEM PREP

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the advantages of taking AP Chem Prep?

- Many students find the course materials very helpful when transitioning to an AP level class in the fall. Each week centers around a core topic that students will study in the fall during AP Chemistry.
- Upon completion of the course, students will be exempt from the mandatory AP Chemistry Summer Homework Assignment.

Are students required to take the AP Chem Prep course in order to take AP Chem in the Fall?

- No, students are NOT required to take this course.

Which students should sign up for the AP Chem Prep course?

- We strongly recommend taking the AP Chem Prep course if your student previously took
 - Grade-level Chemistry (formerly known as Chemistry 300)
 - Got a B or lower in Honors Chemistry (formerly known as Chemistry 400)
 - Took Chemistry (or Honors Chemistry) two years ago

Who will teach this course?

- Ms. Megan Marrs, an AP Chemistry at DGN, will teach the AP Chem Prep course.

When and where does the course meet?

- The course meets in-person on Wednesdays (for 6 weeks) from 8am to 10 am at Downers Grove North on the following dates:
 - June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1, 8
- There is also approximately 1 hour of virtual work that the students should expect to complete each week outside of the in-person meetings. Students can independently complete this component of the class at their convenience.
- Ms. Marrs will also offer optional virtual office hours each week (via Google Meet) that students can “attend” if they have questions.

What if my student has to miss one (or two) of the in-person meetings? Can they still take the class?

- It is 100% okay to miss an in-person session (or two). The in-person sessions are recorded and can be made up remotely as long as the student has an internet connection. The course deadlines are also extremely flexible to work around vacations or other activities.

How do I sign my student up for the AP Chem Prep course?

- Registration is online and opens February 9, 2026. To register,_____.

Do students receive a grade for this class? Or will this class appear on students' transcripts?

- The course is considered an enrichment class, so students will NOT receive a grade for the class, nor will the class appear on student's transcripts.