



Falcon Bluffs Pre-AP/SpringBoard Opportunities

Every year College Board helps over 7 million students across the nation prepare for their transition to college. They use programs and services such as SAT, AP, Pre-AP, and SpringBoard to support college readiness. As Falcon Bluffs students transition into high school and plan for future college options, we are excited to lead the way in Jeffco with our new Pre-AP and SpringBoard implementation. Chatfield Senior High School is distinguished in Jeffco for their wide variety of Advanced Placement and Concurrent Enrollment offerings, including classes available for freshmen. We are proud to partner with Chatfield to help students prepare for and take advantage of these rigorous opportunities.

So...What exactly is Pre-AP and Springboard? They are comprehensive instructional programs developed by College Board that provides motivating, engaging courses that help students become AP and college ready. The curriculum does not simply require MORE work but instead dives deeper into content requiring higher order thinking skills and applications. Our programs emphasize:

- Engaging resources that meet students where they are in their learning.
- Meaningful feedback that guides remediation or enrichment strategies.
- Effective practices that help students build, strengthen, and master content knowledge and skills.
- Challenging coursework emphasizing key literacy, quantitative, and analysis skills across all disciplines and reinforces those skills in classroom experiences.
- Regular collaboration with peers in dialogue, investigations, and problem-solving

Falcon Bluffs implements the specific SpringBoard curriculum with all students in English Language Arts. Additionally, we provide opportunities for grade level advancement including a 9th grade Pre-AP track for 8th graders in Language Arts and Science. As we develop more opportunities for students, we will continue to expand Pre-AP into other contents.

Our ELA Pre-AP curriculum focuses on close reading, analytical writing, and language skills that have immediate relevance for students across all disciplines. The curriculum includes compelling texts—fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama, visuals, and film—and gives tools, supports, and pedagogical approaches that will help students engage with content.

Our Science Pre-AP course emphasizes powerful reasoning tools that support students in analyzing the natural world around them. Specifically, content includes a deeper exploration of the Biological concepts of Genetics, Ecological Systems, Evolution, and Cellular Systems.

Check out falconbluffs.net for more information, including placement criteria.