

# Facilitator Planning Guide: Exploring Pre-AP with Parents

**Audience:** Parents and Community

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Purpose:**

- Introduce the components of the Pre-AP<sup>®</sup> Program
- Deepen understanding of Pre-AP's purpose
- Introduce instructional units and areas of focus
- Explore the shared principles that align Pre-AP courses

**Resources:**

- PowerPoint: Exploring Pre-AP with Parents (provided)
- PowerPoint: Exploring Pre-AP for Users—Source Deck (for additional slides)
- Exploring Pre-AP with Parents Notetaker (provided)
- Outreach Resource: [For Parents: Welcome to Pre-AP](#)

## Preparation:

- Review PowerPoint and facilitator notes below slides. Modify or remove slides as needed.
- Select Stop/Think/Discuss questions to use with participants. (Slides 7, 13, 28, 36)
- Make copies of Exploring Pre-AP with Parents Notetaker and Outreach Resource: [For Parents: Welcome to Pre-AP](#).
- Option: For larger audiences, omit all Stop/Think/Discuss questions and use of the Exploring Pre-AP with Parents Notetaker. Share Outreach Resource before or after presentation.

## Additional Considerations:

- Adjust time required for each segment to meet your needs.
- Determine the most effective way to convene the meeting. Facilitator Guide and materials can be used for both in-person and virtual settings.
- Vary stop/think/discuss opportunities to best engage your audience (shoulder partners, virtual chats, Padlet).
- Edit stop/think/discuss questions on Notetaker as needed (see example).
- Establish a “Parking Lot” for additional questions.

## Segment Overview

<b>Introduction</b> <i>(5 minutes)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set the purpose and tone for the meeting.</li> </ul>
<b>Segment I: What Are Pre-AP Courses?</b> <i>(10 minutes)</i>	<p><b>Segment Content</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Pre-AP Approach to Teaching and Learning</li> <li>Pre-AP Courses</li> <li>Pre-AP Course Components</li> </ul> <p><b>Stop/Think/Discuss: What Are Pre-AP Courses?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What excites you about your student(s) taking Pre-AP courses?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What are your concerns?</li> </ul>
<b>Segment II: Why Pre-AP Courses?</b> <i>(10 minutes)</i>	<p><b>Segment Content</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-AP For All</li> <li>Benefits of Pre-AP</li> <li>Student Impact Video</li> </ul> <p><b>Stop/Think/Discuss: Why Pre-AP Courses?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What opportunities are created by offering Pre-AP to <i>all</i> students?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How might it benefit your student(s)?</li> <li>How might it benefit others?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Segment Notes/Options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video “Pre-AP Perspectives: Student Voices” (PreAP.org &gt; <a href="#">Benefits of Pre-AP</a>)</li> </ul>
<b>Segment III: Pre-AP Courses</b> <i>(10 minutes)</i>	<p><b>Segment Content</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-AP Course Overviews</li> </ul> <p><b>Stop/Think/Discuss: Pre-AP Courses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What do you notice about the Pre-AP courses?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What skill(s) will your student be practicing this year?</li> </ul> <p><b>Segment Notes/Options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choose additional Source Deck slides under Humanities and STEM branches for courses your district/school will implement.</li> </ul>
<b>Segment IV: Alignment of Instruction</b> <i>(10 minutes)</i>	<p><b>Segment Content</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-AP Shared Principles</li> <li>Areas of Focus</li> </ul> <p><b>Stop/Think/Discuss: Alignment of Instruction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What are the benefits of teachers aligning instruction across all courses at our school?</li> </ul>
<b>Segment V: Q&amp;A</b> <i>(5 minutes)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide opportunity for Q&amp;A</li> <li>Address questions in the Parking Lot (if applicable)</li> <li>Refer parents to the Outreach Resource: <a href="#">For Parents: Welcome to Pre-AP</a></li> </ul>