



Fuquay-Varina High School

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Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome to AP Statistics! The purpose of this class is primarily to prepare students to take and pass the Advanced Placement test in Statistics in mid-May. A basic statistics course is now required by most college majors and many of my students have completed their only required college math course before they ever set foot on campus by passing the AP Exam. While colleges vary on their acceptance of AP credit, all North Carolina University System colleges and most others will grant college credit to students who pass the test with a minimum score of 3 (out of 5). Students must sign up to take the AP exam; more information will be forthcoming from Student Services regarding this in February.

All students will need to purchase 5 Steps to a 5 - AP Statistics (2015-2016 edition) as we will be using this book extensively to prepare for the exam. While we may not use the book until later in the semester, the book is very well written and would be helpful to review for class tests. I encourage students to get their book now. There is also a \$7 materials fee to help cover the cost of lab materials – we will do quite a few hands-on labs in Stats to help make the material come to life for students. These lab materials are always edible. ☺ In addition, I would appreciate the donation of a box of tissues to keep on hand for student use.

I welcome the opportunity to talk with you about your child's progress. If you have questions or concerns, there are two ways to contact me. Email is the easiest way to get in touch with me. My email address is kmurphy3@wcpss.net. I check email several times during the day and will respond as soon as possible. If email is not convenient for you, the school phone is 557-2511. You may call and either leave a message or set up an appointment. I look forward to a great semester!

Sincerely,

Kelli Murphy
AP Statistics Instructor