

2020 AP Exam Updates

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak and the closing of schools, AP exams will look different this year. Here are the latest updates from College Board:

Testing Dates:

- The testing window is **May 11-22**.
- Make-up dates are June 1-5, although this should only be used, if absolutely necessary.
- College Board recommends that all students take exams in the May 11-22 window, just in case they encounter a technical difficulty issue. In that case they could still have the make-up window for testing.
- If a student encounters a technical issue during the make-up testing window, there is not another window for retesting and therefore, no way to recover a test that was not completed.
- College Board has scheduled the exams so that there should not be a conflict with taking multiple exams. All exams are scheduled so that they can be taken during the regular testing window, even for the students who take multiple exams.
- **ALL** tests have been moved to the regular testing window. There are no tests scheduled during the make-up window at this time.
- Each subject's exam will be taken on the same day at the same time, worldwide. **It is critical that you pay attention to the correct time zone for Houston – CST (Central Standard Time).**

Accessing the Exams:

- Access Credential
 - **Students will receive, via an email from College Board, an Access Credential.** This code will give students the required access to log on prior to the exam being taken at that day/time. **Each exam will have a unique Access Credential.** College Board will send this Access Credential to the email address connected to the student. **Make sure you are checking the email address you provided to College Board when you created your account.**
 - If a student does not test on the regular testing date, College Board will automatically push out another Access Credential to them for the make-up testing date.

Technology for the Exams:

- Exams will be administered online.
- Students will be able to take exams on **any device** they have access to – computer, tablet or smartphone. They will be able to either type and upload their responses or write responses by hand and submit a photo via their cell phone.
- **Students must retrieve and submit their AP exams on the same device.**
- Students will need to access the online testing system **30 minutes early** to get set up.

- **If students do not have internet access or a device to test with, please reach out to their AP teacher ASAP.**
- College Board is advising all students to **log in to their College Board account to verify the email used for their account.** The email used should be one the student checks frequently and can receive emails from an “outside sender”.
- **If a student experiences a technical glitch during regular testing, they should reach out to College Board immediately.**

Format of the Exams:

- This year’s AP exams will be open book/open note, but College Board has put into place comprehensive and strict protocols to prevent and detect cheating.
- Each exam will be **45 minutes in length, plus an additional 5 minutes for uploading.**
- Exams will **NOT** contain multiple-choice questions.
- Exams will assess a reduced scope of content, content that would “typically” have been covered before March.
- If a student already has approved accommodations through College Board, the accommodations will automatically be extended to their exam.
- Foreign Language exams will only consist of the speaking section. Students will use a phone to communicate their responses. They will complete two spoken tasks.

Miscellaneous:

- Students will need to keep track of their time while testing. **There will be no retesting opportunity for timing issues.**
- College Board will publish an “At Home” testing guide to help support students by the end of April. This will include information on how to access the testing system on test day and video demonstrations so students can familiarize themselves with the system.
- Check your College Board account regularly to stay updated on the latest offerings/help from College Board.

Cancelling an Exam/Refunds

Exam Cancellation fee: \$5 per exam or \$1 per exam for free/reduced lunch students

Exam Cancellation deadline: April 29th at 11:59 pm. No refunds will be given after April 29th at 11:59pm.

- *To cancel an exam(s) the student will need to log in to their Total Registration account and choose to “cancel exam.”*
- *Refunds will not be processed until June.*
- *Students requesting a cancellation at this time will still receive the test credentials from College Board. If students choose to login to the exam when they receive it their refund will be declined.*

Exam Start Times	Central Time: 11:00 a.m.	Central Time: 1:00 p.m.	Central Time: 3:00 p.m.
Mon, May 11	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	United States Government and Politics
Tues, May 12	Latin	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Human Geography
Wed, May 13	Physics 2: Algebra-Based	English Literature and Composition	European History
Thurs, May 14	Spanish Literature and Culture	Chemistry	Physics 1: Algebra-Based
Fri, May 15	Art History	United States History	Computer Science A
Mon, May 18	Chinese Language and Culture	Biology	Environmental Science
Tues, May 19	Music Theory	Psychology	Japanese Language and Culture Italian Language and Culture
Wed, May 20	German Language and Culture	English Language and Composition	Microeconomics
Thurs, May 21	French Language and Culture	World History: Modern	Macroeconomics
Fri, May 22	Comparative Government and Politics	Statistics	Spanish Language and Culture