

To: AP Students and Parents  
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The following is information about AP test registration and payment. The process is different from years past because of the uncertainty of testing due to the pandemic. College Board has modified their requirements, making it easier for students to register and cancel, if necessary.

All students who register or “join” their AP courses on the College Board website are automatically registered to take the AP exam in May. Students will have the opportunity to cancel their registration up until March 12, 2021 with ***no financial penalty***. However, if a student registers for an exam after exams are ordered, then they will incur a \$40 late registration fee. It is to the benefit of all students to register for the exam now, even if they are unsure whether they will take the exam. The College Board deadline for exam registration is November 13, 2020. We have asked that all students register or “join” their classes by November 5, 2020. This information was sent through their AP teachers.

College Board is currently planning on administering exams in person but please know that this could change before May. If the tests are given on-line in May, they will cover more material and be longer than the exams were in 2020.

The cost of each exam is \$95. Payment for the AP exams is **NOT** due now. There is a process where obligations are entered so that parents can pay on-line and this system will not be set up until after the exams are ordered. I will send out information about payment options and fee waivers sometime after the exams are ordered and the on-line payment system is set up.

Students can see the classes they are registered for by going to the AP website at <https://myap.collegeboard.org> and logging into their account. All AP courses will be listed and to the right of each course, it will indicate if they are registered for the exam.

If you have not joined the course for any AP class you are in, please do so, even if you are not planning to take the exam. Many AP Teachers use the College Board course materials in their classes and you will not have access to them if you do not join the course. The AP teachers have provided the join codes. If a student is sure they will not be taking the exam in May, please let me know and I will change their registration and not order an exam. I can be reached by email at [Linda\\_M\\_Schaus@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Linda_M_Schaus@mcpsmd.org).