

The Woodlands High School

Guide for Students and Parents

What you need to know about AP this year.



Introduction

In the 2018-19 school year, The Woodlands High School, along with all CISD campuses, will be one of 800 around the world to use new classroom resources and exam registration and ordering processes that are coming to the Advanced Placement Program®.

If you have taken AP® before, you'll notice that most aspects of the program are unchanged or are the same as at any other school, including the base exam fee and score reporting timelines. This guide highlights what will be new or different this year. Please read this information carefully, and contact your AP coordinator or AP teacher if you have any questions. TWHS is in a pilot program with College Board, as a result, our exam order deadlines do not coincide with what they have posted online.

New Resources

You and your AP teacher will get early access to new classroom resources:

- **AP question bank:** Your teacher can use this library of real AP Exam questions to give you additional opportunities to practice throughout the year.
- **Performance results:** You'll be able to track your progress and make sure that you're understanding course content and building the skills that will be assessed on the AP Exam. Use your results to focus your practice plan.

Process Changes

- **System enrollment:** At the start of the school year, you and your teacher will sign in to myap.collegeboard.org and complete a simple

digital activation process that will give you access to the new resources.

- **Fall exam ordering:** An important change this year is that you'll need to decide in the **fall** whether you're taking AP Exams in the spring.
- **Fees for late orders or canceled exams:** The base AP Exam fee is the same (\$96), but other fees will apply if exams are ordered after November 9 or canceled by February 22, 2019.

Key Dates

First weeks of class: Teachers or the AP coordinator set up classes in the system and provide a "join" code to students. Students create accounts in the system and use the join code to connect to their AP class and begin using the classroom resources.

The AP coordinator submits the exam order by the following deadlines:

- **November 9, 2018** (11:59 p.m. ET): Regular exam ordering deadline.
- **February 22, 2019** (11:59 p.m. ET): Deadline for late exam orders or exam cancellations.

Important Steps

1) "JOIN" YOUR AP CLASS

At the start of the school year, AP teachers or the AP coordinator set up class sections in myap.collegeboard.org and invite you to join. By joining a class, you gain access to the free resources and can provide information needed to register for AP Exams.

Joining a class is quick and easy. Your teacher or AP coordinator will let you know when to sign in. For each

AP class you're taking, you'll complete this process using the unique join code for each class:

- Your teacher or AP coordinator will give you the "join code" for the class. You'll get a unique join code for **each** AP class you're taking.
- You'll visit myap.collegeboard.org, and sign in with your College Board student account login. If you don't have a College Board student account, you'll need to create one using the "Sign up" link on the page. Do not create multiple College Board Accounts. Contact College Board Services for Students (ap2018-students@info.collegeboard.org or 844-314-3632) to get help with your account.
- You'll enter the join code your teacher or AP coordinator gave you. After you confirm your enrollment, you're all set!
- The first time you enroll in a class, you'll complete registration fields.

2) MAKE AP EXAM DECISIONS IN THE FALL

This year, AP Exams will be ordered in the fall. Schools tell us that when students make exam-taking decisions at the beginning of the school year, they're more invested in the course, put in more effort, and perform better on the exam. Students sign up for exams by enrolling in the myap.collegeboard.org class for each course and then submitting the payment online. If your class doesn't start until the spring or you've transferred to a new school after the exam ordering deadline, don't worry, your coordinator will be able to order your exam and you won't be charged a late order fee.

Note: Homeschooled and independent study students, and students taking an exam at a school different from their own, also need to make exam decisions in the fall and be included in an exam order by November 15. Contact your AP coordinator for details, or contact us with questions.

3) UNDERSTAND EXAM POLICIES, DATES, AND FEES

The base AP Exam fee and College Board fee reduction remain the same:

2019 AP Exam Fee - \$96

\$55 for Free and Reduced

As always, you can change your mind about taking an AP Exam. If you decide not to take an exam, you'll still be able to access resources in the system.

However, this year additional fees apply to any exams ordered by the AP coordinator after the November 9 deadline or canceled by the AP coordinator by February 22, 2019, 11:59 p.m. ET.

Students and parents should consider all deadlines and fees as they make exam decisions:

- Additional Fee for exams ordered between November 9, and February 22, - \$40 per exam (in addition to the base fee for all students)
- Cancellation fees will be assessed if canceled by February 22, 2019.
- No refunds after February 22, 2019

For example:

If you decide to take the exam after the November 9, ordering deadline, and it's ordered by February 22, you would pay the base exam fee + \$40 late order fee (e.g., \$96 + \$40= \$136).

If you decide after February 22, 2019, that you won't take the exam that was ordered for you, you'd pay the full exam fee.

4) RECEIVE PERSONALIZED AP ID LABELS

If you're taking AP Exams, in the spring your school will receive a sheet of registration or "AP ID" labels with your name on it. When you take your exam, you'll apply these personalized labels to your answer sheet and other exam materials. These labels link your exams to the information you provided in the system at the beginning of the year. By not having to bubble this information on exam day, you'll have more time to focus on doing your best on the questions!

CONTACT College Board

If you have questions, please email us at ap2018-students@info.collegeboard.org or call 844-314-3632.

TWHS Contacts

Your Student's AP Teacher

Your Student's Counselor

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2019 AP Exam Schedule Weeks 1 and 2

Week 1	Morning 8 a.m.	Afternoon 12 noon
Monday, May 6, 2019	United States Government and Politics	Chinese Language and Culture
Tuesday, May 7, 2019	Seminar Spanish Language and Culture (IV)	Environmental Science Japanese Language and Culture
Wednesday, May 8, 2019	English Literature and Composition (SR)	Physics 1: Algebra-Based (JR) European History
Thursday, May 9, 2019	Chemistry Spanish Literature and Culture (M)	French Language and Culture German Language and Culture
Friday, May 10, 2019	United States History	Psychology Computer Science Principles (FR) Physics 2: Algebra-Based (SR)
<p>Studio Art- last day for coordinators to submit digital portfolios and to gather 2-D Design and Drawing students for physical assembly.</p> <p>Teachers should have forwarded students' completed digital portfolios to coordinators before this date.</p>		

Week 2	Morning 8 a.m.	Afternoon 12 noon	Afternoon 2 p.m.
Monday, May 13, 2019	Biology	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
Tuesday, May 14, 2019	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Art History Human Geography	
Wednesday, May 15, 2019	English Language and Composition (JR)	Italian Language and Culture Macroeconomics	
Thursday, May 16, 2019	Comparative Government and Politics (Exam Only) World History	Statistics	
Friday, May 17, 2019	Microeconomics (Exam Only) Music Theory	Computer Science A Latin	

Morning Report Time: 7:20 AM Noon Report Time: 11:40 AM (Take A Lunch) 2PM Report Time: 1:40PM

All AP Exams are administered at TWHS Senior Campus