

2026 Advanced Placement Exam Registration Information

AP exam registration is beginning October 8, 2025. AP exams are very expensive and take up extensive time for preparation and missed classes. They are not required for college applications (except when applying to UK schools). They take place right before final assessments and many students underestimate the pressure these added exams put on their schedule. Classroom grades are more important than AP exam scores for college applications. Each college has its own policy regarding AP credit, and some do not give any credit at all. In addition, College Board charges high fees for cancelled and unused exams. Students should consult with teachers or advisors if they are unsure about taking an exam. Students should not register for more exams that they are sure they will take. Please do not register for more than 5 exams.

This year, most AP exams will be administered in a digital format using the College Board Bluebook application. Math and Science exams will be in a hybrid format and language exams will not change. Students will download the Bluebook application and test on their own device. Exam length has not changed. Please go to the AP website for complete details.

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/exam-administration-ordering-scores/digital-ap-exams>

Registration is divided into two time periods:

Fall registration runs **October 8, 2025 – November 5, 2025, at noon**. The cost of the AP exams is **\$99 per exam**.
Spring registration runs **February 2, 2026 – February 27, 2026, at noon**. The cost of the AP exams is **\$139 per exam**.

The exams are given from **May 4-15**, with make-up exams given May 18-22 (See the schedule below.) Make-up exams are only scheduled for very specific reasons. (See the list below.)

AP exam registration steps:

1. Sign into myap.collegeboard.org using your College Board account login. This is the same login used to access PSAT scores and register for SAT exams. If you don't have a student account click the link to create one.
2. **Students will receive a list of exam "Join Codes". Use these codes to register for exams.** The student AP dashboard talks about joining course sections. Most Phillips Academy students will only be joining exams. If you are in a specific AP course, ask your teacher if there is a classroom join code.
3. Submit the join codes for the exams you would like to take. Verify that you have selected the correct exam. You must "join" each exam separately. If using a classroom code, make sure you set the "Exam Decision Indicator" to yes.
4. Fill out the registration information in My AP the first time you select an exam. Accurate information is important. You will only need to supply this information once.
5. Be sure to include your PA student ID number and PA Student email address. Double check accuracy!
6. The Phillips Academy school code for "the school you attend" is 220030
7. I will resolve any test date scheduling conflicts that may occur.
8. Fee payments will be processed by the Comptroller's Office in the spring.

Remember: There will be an additional registration period in February if you are unsure now about registering. There is also no longer any type of stand-by testing for AP exams.

The exam fees and cancellation policy are listed below. Exam fees will be paid through the Course Material Fee included as part of tuition and are processed through a special account. You do not need to add funds to the Blue Card.

Fall AP Exam Registration Fee Schedule:

Exams ordered from October 8, 2025 – November 5, 2025, at noon: \$ 99.00 for EACH exam ordered

Late AP Exam Registration Fee Schedule:

Exams ordered from February 2, 2026 – February 27, 2026, at noon: \$ 139.00 for EACH exam ordered

Cancellation Policy:

Fall ordered exams cancelled by November 7, 2025 - Full refund of the exam fee for each cancelled exam.

Fall ordered exams cancelled after November 7, 2025– March 27, 2026-Partial refund, account charged \$50.

After March 27, 2026 – No refund.

Spring ordered exams cancelled by March 4, 2026 - Full refund of the exam fee for each cancelled exam.

Spring ordered exams cancelled after March 4, 2026 – March 27, 2026-Partial refund, account charged \$50.

After March 27, 2026 – No refund.

If you have any questions about the AP registration process, please contact Debra Colombo at

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* Fee adjustments will be automatically made for financial aid and fee waiver eligible students.

2026 AP Exam Dates

Week 1	Morning 8 a.m. Local Time	Afternoon 12 p.m. Local Time
Monday, May 4, 2026	Biology	European History Microeconomics
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	Chemistry Human Geography	United States Government and Politics
Wednesday, May 6, 2026	English Literature and Composition	Comparative Government and Politics Physics 1: Algebra-Based
Thursday, May 7, 2026	World History: Modern	Statistics
Friday, May 8, 2026	United States History	Chinese Language and Culture Macroeconomics

Week 2	Morning 8 a.m. Local Time	Afternoon 12 p.m. Local Time
Monday, May 11, 2026	Calculus AB Calculus BC	
Tuesday, May 12, 2026	French Language and Culture Precalculus	Japanese Language and Culture Psychology
Wednesday, May 13, 2026	English Language and Composition German Language and Culture	Physics C: Mechanics
Thursday, May 14, 2026	Spanish Language and Culture	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
Friday, May 15, 2026	Environmental Science	Computer Science A
Thursday, May 21, 2026	Chinese Language and Culture Music Theory	

Make-up exam approved reasons:

- Academic contests outside of school such as math, geography or spelling bees or science bowls. Conflicts with final assessments and homework are not considered a valid reason.
- Major athletic contests such as conference finals and invitationals that could not be anticipated when registering. Practice and regularly scheduled matches are not a valid reason.
- Delayed shipment
- Disabilities accommodations issues
- Emergency: bomb scare or fire alarm
- Language lab scheduling conflict
- Make-up AP exam due to an incident during the initial exam
- Religious holiday/observance
- School closing: election, national holiday, or natural disaster
- Serious injury, illness, or family tragedy where students are too sick to attend class. Sykes Wellness Center will be contacted for confirmation.
- Strike/labor conflict
- Student court appearance
- 2 or more AP Exams on the same date at the same time