



HIRAM HIGH SCHOOL

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Principal

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Dear Parents and Students,

Congratulations on participating in Advanced Placement classes, courses which provide college-level academic experiences that challenge and inspire. Students who take AP courses and exams demonstrate to college admission officers that they have pursued an educational experience that will prepare them for success in college and beyond. Performing well on an AP exam means more than just the successful completion of a course. Most colleges and universities accept successful exam scores for credit, advanced placement, or both. Research consistently indicates that students who are successful in AP typically experience greater academic success in college than those who do not participate in AP programs.

The 2020 AP Exams will be administered May 4-15. As we approach the testing dates, more details will be provided to all AP students who are planning to take AP exams. **Each AP exam costs \$ 98.00.** Please share the following information with your high school principals and AP coordinator(s) regarding funding for AP Exams for the 2019-2020 school year:

The state of Georgia will pay for one AP exam for Georgia public school students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses in one of two categories.

- **Option 1** students are public school students who individually qualify for the College Board fee reduction. The students on free or reduced lunch will be able to take one AP exam for free (the state covers the cost); all subsequent AP exams for students on free or reduced lunch will cost \$ 53.00/each
- **Option 2** students are public school students who do not qualify for the College Board fee reduction. For these students, the state of Georgia will pay for one AP STEM exam.

We will keep you informed about waivers as the information becomes available. Students requiring **financial assistance** should see Mr. Borato Broughton at bbroughton@paulding.k12.ga.us to learn more.

Any student who is taking an AP course in the Fall and is planning to take the corresponding AP exam in the Spring must complete the following **THREE items by November 1, 2018:**

- Register for the corresponding AP class/section with College Board (your AP teacher will assist you with the registration process).
- Register with Total Registration (**totalregistration.net**) which we will use for the organization and fee processing purposes.
- Pay \$ 40.00 deposit fee online through Total Registration.
 - **Important: ALL** students enrolled in AP courses in the fall MUST pay the \$40.00 deposit fee by November 1, 2018 to be eligible for taking the AP exams. This change is due to a new process being implemented by the College Board. If students change their mind about taking AP exams in the spring, they will lose their \$40.00 deposit. If students take the exam as planned, then the \$40.00 deposit will be applied to the overall exam cost.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I will be happy to assist you with any inquiries and/or concerns.

Sincerely,

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