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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 2026 AP Exams will be administered May 4th — 15th As we approach the testing dates, more details will be provided to all AP students who are planning to take exams.

Costs and Fees:

- Each AP exam costs \$105.00.
- If a student is eligible for free or reduced lunch, the first AP exam (any exam) is free; additional AP exams for students eligible for free or reduced lunch are \$53.00 each.
- If a student is taking science or math (STEM) AP exams, the first STEM exam is free (for any student!).
- All students enrolled in AP courses in the Fall must pay the exam fee by October 31, 2025.
- If your AP exam is free (first STEM exam or one free exam for students eligible for free or reduced lunch), you will still need to pay a
 deposit of \$40.00 because the College Board charges \$40.00 for each unused exam.
- If you change your mind and decide not to take the exam in the spring (even if your exam would have been free), the College Board will still charge a fee of \$40.00 for each unused exam, which is what your deposit will cover.
- If your AP exam is free, after you take the exam, the deposit will be reimbursed to you.

Action Steps:

Any student who is taking an AP course in the Fall and is planning to take the corresponding AP exam must complete the following THREE ITEMS by October 31, 2025.

- Register for the corresponding AP class/section with the College Board (myap.collegeboard.org). You will need a join code from your AP teacher.
- Fill out the reduced exam fee form (if you qualify).
- Pay for the Exam
- Payments will be made through Total Registration this year. See Link below or use QR code.
- https://user.totalregistration.net/AP/111608

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Chad Tittle — Assistant Principal / Hiram High School / Office 2102A ctittle@paulding.k12.ga.us / 770-443-1182 Extension 30028

Please note that the majority of AP Exams will be administered digitally this year. You will need to bring your laptop to the testing site, charged and with required updates already applied.