



AP Coordinator Tutorial

# **What's New?**

Important Changes  
for 2016-17

# 2017 Exam Fees

School Participation in AP: Free

Exam	2016 Fee	2017 Fee
Exams taken in the United States, U.S. territories, and Canada (per exam)	\$92	\$93
Exams taken outside the U.S., U.S. territories, and Canada (with the exception of DoDDS schools)	\$122	\$123
Exams administered at authorized test centers outside the U.S.	Varies	Varies
Unused exams (per exam)	\$15	\$15

Note: The per-exam rebate that schools can retain to offset exam administration costs remains \$9.

# 2017 Exam Fees:

## Alternate Exams for Late Testing

Reason	2017 Fee
Emergency or circumstance beyond the control of the student and the school, conflict with other AP Exams, etc.	No fee
School mistake, student conflict, etc. (per exam) (Students qualifying for the College Board fee reduction will not be charged the late-testing fee.)	\$45

# 2017 Exam Fees:

## Late Fees

Reason	2017 Fee
Late Orders For each order received after the extension deadline (excluding alternate exam orders)	\$55
Late Exam Return For each exam in shipments received after June 1	Twice the exam fee
Late Payment For payments postmarked after June 15	\$225

# 2017 Fees:

## Reports and Reporting Services for Students

Requested Reporting Service	2017 Fee
Initial Score Send	No fee
Additional Score Send	\$15
Rush Score Send	\$25
Free-Response Booklet (per booklet)	\$10
Multiple-Choice Rescore Service (per exam)	\$30
Score Withholding (per score, per college)	\$10
Score Cancellation	No fee

# Fee Reductions

- The College Board provides a \$31 fee reduction per exam for students with financial need. Schools are expected to forgo their \$9 rebate for these students, resulting in a cost of \$53 per exam.
- Many states and districts use federal, state, and local funding to further reduce the exam fee for these students. The fee reductions available in each state can be found at [collegeboard.org/apexamfeeassistance](https://collegeboard.org/apexamfeeassistance) in the spring.

# Fee Reductions

- The College Board has different eligibility criteria for AP Exam fee reductions depending on whether a school or district participates in the Community Eligibility Provision. The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) is a program for schools and districts with high percentages of low-income children to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students.
- ▶ **More Information:** Complete information about eligibility and procedures is at [collegeboard.org/apfeereductions](https://collegeboard.org/apfeereductions) and on pages 22–24 of the *AP Coordinator's Manual*.

# Transitioning to ESSA

- In 2017, more than 500,000 low-income students will need financial assistance to pay for AP Exam fees.
- For nearly 20 years, a significant portion of these fees were funded through the federal AP Test Fee Program. However, **under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)**, this program was eliminated.
- **States and districts have various opportunities under ESSA** to use their Federal funding to cover low-income students' AP Exam fees, as well as to expand AP course offerings and teacher preparation and support.

## What you can do:

- In 2016-17 and beyond, **states and districts must act locally to ensure funds remain available for your low-income AP students.**
- Visit **[collegeboard.org/ap-essa](https://collegeboard.org/ap-essa)** to learn what you and your administration can do to make AP accessible to all of your students, regardless of financial need.



# Free Practice Exams for 16 Subjects

- New practice exams in 16 AP subjects are now available to AP teachers, via the AP Course Audit website.
- These are complete versions of the exams that were administered internationally in May 2016.
- Features: multiple-choice answer key, free-response scoring guidelines, and scoring worksheet
- AP Practice Exams are for in-classroom use only. To ensure their integrity, teachers must keep them in a secure location, must not assign them as take-home assignments, must collect them back from students after administering them in class, and must NOT post them on school or other websites.

# Free Practice Exams for 16 Subjects

- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Physics 1
- Physics 2
- Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
- Physics C: Mechanics
- Psychology
- Statistics
- U.S. History
- World History

# Online Scores for AP Students

- AP scores are available to students online at [apscore.org](https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/ap/score) in early July.
- In order to access and send their scores, students must:
  - **Enter identifying information carefully and consistently on their answer sheets.** Specifically name, date of birth, sex and home address to avoid any score reporting delays.
  - **Create a College Board account**
    - Students should use the same email address to create their account that they provide on their AP answer sheet.
    - They may already have an account if they registered for the SAT or took AP exams in the past. Have them sign in to confirm.
  - **Provide their AP number or student id** (if they provided one on their answer sheet) during account creation.

# AP Course and Exam Redesign: Major Themes

- **Reduce breadth to enable depth of understanding**
- **Create more clarity**
  - Curriculum frameworks for each subject (big ideas)
  - What students should be able to do
  - Specific learning objectives (content + skills)
- **Increase the focus on application of knowledge**
  - Science practices and inquiry-based labs in science
  - Historical thinking skills in history courses
  - Communication skills in language courses

# Current Course and Exam Changes

## 2016-17

- **Calculus AB and BC:** The updated courses places an increased emphasis on conceptual understanding through the Mathematical Practices for AP Calculus (MPACs). Each concept and learning objective that will be addressed in the updated courses can be linked to one or more of these MPACs.
- **World History:** The revised course strengthens focus on mastering essential concepts and historical thinking skills in conjunction with a new exam format.
- **Seminar:** As of 2016-17, the assessment for AP Seminar has been modified. The revised format and weights of each component are described in the *AP Seminar Course and Exam Description for Fall 2016*.

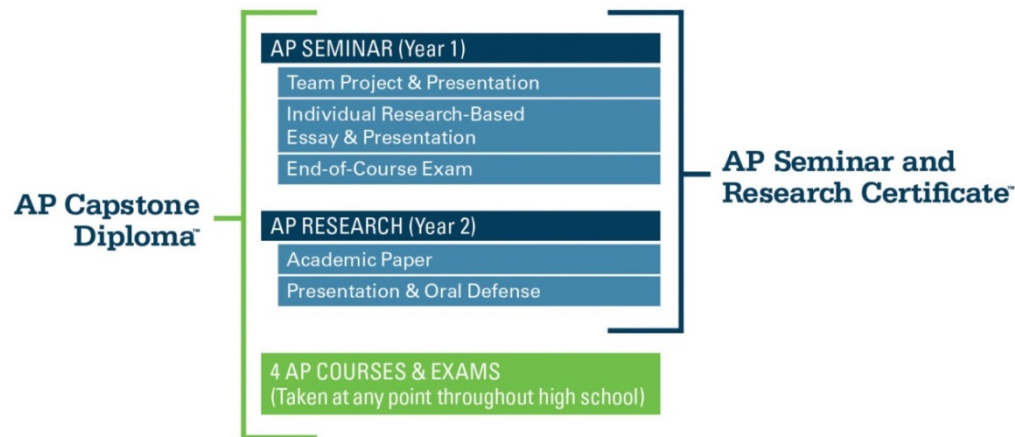
► More information at [advancesinap.collegeboard.org](https://advancesinap.collegeboard.org).

# AP Computer Science Principles

- AP Computer Science Principles (AP CSP) was developed by the College Board, with the support of the National Science Foundation, to address the challenge of making computing coursework more engaging and accessible for all students, and to better prepare a pipeline of STEM majors.
- The assessment has two parts: a through-course assessment (that includes two performance tasks) that students complete during the school year and an end-of-course AP Exam.
- Coordinators can assist students that choose to study independently or are home-schooled: create a class in the AP Digital Portfolio site and administer end-of-course exam.
- **Note:** This course is offered in **addition** to Computer Science A. It does not replace it.
- Find out more about the role of a an AP coordinator: [collegeboard.org/ap-csp-coordinators](https://collegeboard.org/ap-csp-coordinators)
- Bring AP CSP to your school: [collegeboard.org/apcsp](https://collegeboard.org/apcsp)

# AP Capstone™: Program Overview

- An **innovative diploma program** that equips students with the independent research, collaborative teamwork, and communication skills valued by colleges and universities
- Based on two AP courses: **AP Seminar** and **AP Research**
- **Skill-focused**, rather than content-focused, but complements the in-depth subject matter study in discipline-specific AP courses
- Empowers students to practice **scholarly research skills** while exploring **topics that appeal to their interests**
- **Teaches students to:** think and read critically; gather credible evidence; analyze, interpret, and evaluate different perspectives; make claims, inferences, and connections; develop lines of reasoning supported by evidence; collaborate in teams; and communicate with appropriate media
- Provides **two levels of distinction** to students who earn qualifying scores of 3 or higher on AP Capstone assessments and additional AP Exams, allowing them to distinguish themselves in the college application process



# Reminder: All-Digital Recording and Submission

- Beginning with the May 2017 AP Music Theory and French, German, Italian, and Spanish Language and Culture Exams, all audio responses must be recorded as MP3 files and submitted online. Cassette recorders, student-response tapes, and student-response CDs are no longer used for these exams.
  - **All-Digital Recording:** Schools must use digital technology (computers with MP3 recording software, digital language lab, handheld digital recorders) to record student audio and save the recording in MP3 file format. Visit [www.collegeboard.org/ap-audio-record](http://www.collegeboard.org/ap-audio-record) for more information.
  - **All-Online Submission:** All audio responses must be submitted via the Digital Audio Submission (DAS) portal. Visit [www.collegeboard.org/ap-das](http://www.collegeboard.org/ap-das) for more information.



# Service Enhancement

- **Digital Recording App Available for AP Music**

**Theory:** A new recording app is will be available for the 2017 AP Exam administration that simplifies the process of recording and saving audio files. For 2017, it may be used on certain school-owned iOS devices, for AP Music Theory Exam sight-singing responses only. More information about this additional digital recording option is available in the *2016-17 AP Coordinator's Manual* and at [www.collegeboard.org/ap-dac](http://www.collegeboard.org/ap-dac).

# End of “What’s New?”

Also available at [www.collegeboard.org/apcoordinatortutorial](http://www.collegeboard.org/apcoordinatortutorial):

- ▶ Other tutorial sections:
  - The Basics
  - Getting Started
  - Ordering
  - Preparing for the Exams
  - On Exam Day
  - After the Exams
  - Exams Requiring Special Preparation
- ▶ Links and downloads