

College Board's Advanced Placement Program (AP)

Overview

Advanced Placement (AP) exams are administered through the College Board, offering students an opportunity to earn college credit and demonstrate advanced academic achievement.

Instructors prepare students during the school year for proficiency in their course, demonstrated by a cumulative exam, yielding the potential for college-equivalence.

Exams are administered in May during the school day and administered digitally. Fully digital exams offer a computer only testing experience while hybrid exams include an answer sheet for written and extended response questions. If students have testing accommodations, they must be approved by College Board (usually January) for use during AP exams.

Exam Registration Process

Students will register for AP courses through the College Board platform through their AP course(s). If students choose to take the AP exam, they must indicate their choice through their College Board account by the year-specific deadline (usually November). Students may modify their decision after the deadline with a fee. Students are responsible for managing their own exam registrations.

Financial Information

- **Payment Method:** Checks payable to PCSD, only
- **Cost:** Varies each year between \$90 and \$100 per exam
- **Reduced Fee Option:** Available for students with financial need
- **Late Registration Fee or Cancellation:** \$40 additional charge through College Board

Recommendation

Students should consult with their school counselor or AP coordinator for specific guidance and support throughout the registration process.