

Notification of AP Changes for 2019-2020



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Dear Bedford High School Families,

Starting in the fall of 2019, the CollegeBoard will be implementing changes to the Advanced Placement (AP) exam registration process, which will impact all students enrolled in AP courses as well as those intending to self-study for AP exams at BHS. All of these changes have been mandated by the CollegeBoard. A summary of changes is below and more details can be found in the attached document from the CollegeBoard.

Registration Method

Previously, BHS has distributed paper registration forms. **Starting in fall 2019, all students will be required to register for exams through an online portal.** Students will create and log into their accounts in the first weeks of school during their AP course. Any student who is not enrolled in an AP course but is planning to self-study for an exam must see the AP Coordinator to create an account in order to register.

Registration Deadline

The final deadline to register for next year's AP exams will be November 15, 2019. This is significantly earlier than the March deadline BHS has previously held. Students must decide prior to November 15th whether or not they will commit to taking the exam. Students who register after this date will incur a late fee on top of the exam fee. No registrations will be accepted after March 13, 2020.

Fees

BHS will continue to charge \$110 per exam, a fee which has not increased in five years. Students who register between November 15th and March 13th will incur a late registration fee of \$40 on top of the cost of the exam. Students who cancel an exam they previously registered for will incur a cancellation fee of \$40 and be refunded the remainder of the exam cost (\$70). Late fees and cancellation fees go to the CollegeBoard, not to Bedford High School.

Please talk with your student(s) about these changes so that they can make a thoughtful decision this fall about committing to take AP exams. The AP Coordinator and AP Teachers will be in communication in the fall with instructions on how to register and reminders about the deadline.

Sincerely,

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