

May 20, 2021

Dear Ames AP Students and Families,

As stated in a previous communication, our AP Exams will take place next week. Over the last couple of months, students, parents, and teachers have been working very hard in preparation of the upcoming exams. We would like to address a couple of important details surrounding the administration of the exams.

Both exams will be administered digitally and students will be taking them at home during their scheduled time. On the day of each exam, it will be a regular school day at Ames. However, students taking these exams will be marked “Excused Absent” for the day; therefore, they are not required to attend school in-person or remotely. Students are strongly encouraged to review during the time leading up to the exam. Please see the schedule below for the specific testing details.

Date	AP Exam	Time	Length of the Exam
Wednesday, May 26th	Computer Science Principles	4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time Sign into the test at 3:30 p.m.	2 hours (Additional time is added to the exam for students with accommodations)
Friday, May 28th	Human Geography	12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time Sign into the test at 11:30 a.m.	2 hours and 15 minutes (Additional time is added to the exam for students with accommodations)

Important Tips for Preparing the Home Testing Environment:

- 1) Students should do their best to test by themselves in a quiet room. They should:
 - Sign into their exam 30 minutes prior to the start time (see above for time).
 - Remove distractions.
 - Enable the do not disturb or quiet setting on their testing device.
 - Let parents, guardians, siblings, and friends know when they’re testing so they won’t be disturbed
- 2) They should make sure their device is fully charged or plugged in.
- 3) If they have limited bandwidth, they should ask others on their network to limit their use of the internet during the exam.
- 4) Prohibited devices and reference materials should not be accessible during the exam.
- 5) Any member of the household who is an AP teacher must stay out of the room where the student is testing and strictly avoid contact with the student until the exam has concluded.

Important Testing Resources:

- [AP Testing Guide for Students](#) - Helpful tips and steps before exam day and on exam day
- [AP Classes and Review Sessions](#) - Great resource to catch up on a missed lesson and to review
- [Accommodations on Digital AP Exams](#)- For students who have testing accommodations

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Kennedy, Executive Assistant to the Principal, with any questions or concerns. We wish you the best of luck on exam day.

Sincerely,

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