



Owl Family Notes

Thursday
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Front Office

Front Office Phone Call Hours:

The front office will be taking phone calls from 9am-12pm Monday through Friday. Please call during these hours to speak to someone from the front office.

Meal Distribution:

Starting the week of March 30, we will be serving meals on Mondays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., and you will receive meals for multiple days.

A5 Report Card Distribution

Report Cards will be available on Home Access Center on Friday April 17. Students will be receiving information via Teams on how to access Home Access Center.

New Student Lottery for 2020-2021 School Year:

We are still accepting new student applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Families can apply online at Yesprep.org/lottery. If you have any questions about applying or accepting offers please contact Adriana Estrada (Adriana.Estrada@yesprep.org, 713-924-5374). As a reminder, if you have not already, you must submit an application for any siblings of current students.



YES Prep Families,

I hope that this message finds you safe and healthy.

To protect the health of our students, staff members and their families from the growing threat of the coronavirus in our community, we are extending the closure of our campuses for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. Though our buildings are closed, we remain firmly committed to the education and success of your children on their path to college and beyond. Our distance learning program, "Keep YES Prep Learning," will continue until the end of this school year. While you continue to support your children with their distance learning, we will continue to update our parent resources on our parent resources on the Keep YES Prep Learning website every Friday.

Among the many changes this pandemic has brought for our schools, we recognize seniors are missing traditional activities celebrated with friends and family that they may have been looking forward to for years. We are working on plans for fun, virtual events to celebrate Senior Signing Day, graduations, and more. We can't wait to finalize plans and share them with you. Though we are not on campus, we are here to help in any way we can. If you have an urgent need, we want to know. Your principal and school staff hope you will reach out. We continue to update our website, yesprep.org/covid19, with the latest information, resources and community services. These are difficult times for us all. But we don't have to do it alone.

Thank you again for trusting us with the responsibility of educating your children.

Be safe and stay strong.

In solidarity,
Mark DiBella
Superintendent, YES Prep Public Schools



Families,

Thank you for your engagement this week with Distance Learning! We wanted to provide you a few announcement regarding our Keep YES Prep Learning program as we enter into Week 3 of distance learning.

Lesson Posting and Due Date

Each week, teachers will be posting lessons for students. Please see below for the schedule of lessons. Students will be expected to complete and submit their work on Fridays by 2pm via Teams. Teachers are hosting office hours regularly for their students, so please encouraged your kids to log on to Teams and request support if needed.

Lessons Posting		Posting Schedule	
Lesson 1	Monday	post no later than 12	
Lesson 2	Tuesday	post no later than 12	
Lesson 3 (if applicable)	Wednesday	post no later than 12	

Content	Number of Lessons
Math	3 Lessons
English	3 Lessons
AP	3 Lessons
Sci, SS, & WL	2 Lessons
Electives	2 Lessons
College Prep	2 Lessons

Important Details Below:

- For more information about how to support your kids through the distance learning program, please reference the following site:

https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1585943034/yespreporg/cczswjclbp8f1bcxzs2y/Week246_49FamilyGuideKeepYESPrepLearning1.pdf

- For questions regarding YES Prep devices, please contact Mr. Mattes at Gregory.Mattes@yesprep.org
- For questions regarding student log in for Teams, please contact Ms. Lopez at Maria.LopezGarcia@yesprep.org



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Academics

Updated Grading Policy due to Closure

Closing out A5 (February 18th – April 13th, 2020)

Closing Out A5: Policy

- For A5, grades will be finalized based on assignments completed prior to Spring Break.
- No grades on assignments completed after March 12 will be assessed for A5.
- Assignments not completed during A5 will be excused. Any assignments that could have been reassessed will be graded at a 70, if the original grade was a 69 or below.
- You can check grades in the [Home Access Center](#) at any time.

During A6 (April 6th – May 22nd, 2020)

Grading During Keep YES Prep Learning: Policy

- For A6, students will receive equally-weighted, achievement-based grades on assignments based on the mini-lessons in each class.
- Grades in A6 **can only improve** students' scores for the semester; as such, we encourage students to correct their work, but we will not offer graded reassessment opportunities. Common Assessment 2 will still count as 7% of the semester grade, with the exception of courses that did not test prior to closure.
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Grading During Keep YES Prep Learning for Students in Special Populations: Policy

- For students in special populations, students will be graded on assignments on the same timeline in A6 and only on assignments with the appropriate accommodations, modifications, and supports.
- Grades in A6 **can only improve** students' scores for the semester; as such, we encourage students to correct their work, but we will not offer graded reassessment opportunities.



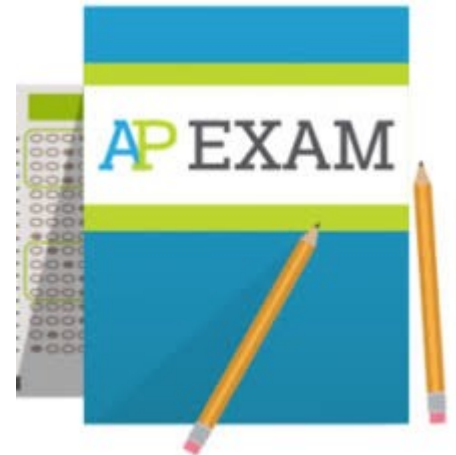
Advanced Placement (AP) Exams:

AP Exams this year will be adjusted due to the closure. There is much more information forthcoming, but for now please reference the schedule below for when your exam may occur.

Updated 2020 AP Exam Schedule

Exam Start Time	Monday May 11	Tuesday May 12	Wednesday May 13	Thursday May 14	Friday May 15
11:00 am	Physics C: Mechanics			Spanish Literature and Culture	Art History
1:00 pm		Calculus AB Calculus BC	English Literature Composition	Chemistry	United States History
3:00 pm	United States Government and Politics	Human Geography		Physics 1: Algebra-Based	Computer Science A

Exam Start Time	Monday May 18	Tuesday May 19	Wednesday May 20	Thursday May 21	Friday May 22
11:00 am		Music Theory			
1:00 pm	Biology	Psychology	English Language Composition	World History: Modern	Statistics
3:00 pm	Environmental Science				Spanish Language Culture



Student Support

College Prep Lessons

We will continue to post College Prep Lessons for students. There will be 2 lessons per week that students must complete. It is crucial for students to click "Turn In" when they have completed the assignment. The assignment will be posted in the assignments tab.

Counseling Services

Our Student Support Counselors are available to meet virtually with your child if you believe that they are having a hard time coping and adjusting to their new reality, especially if there was already a preexisting problem. Please follow this link to refer your child to counseling. The referral is in English and Spanish. <https://yesprep.force.com/purple/s/saf>

Participation Raffle

Your student has the opportunity to be entered into a raffle to win a \$100 HEB gift card. The qualifications are simple. Students must submit all Exit Tickets for each class for the next three weeks. The dates that we will be monitoring is April 13- May 1. There will be one winner per grade level. The winner will be announced on May 4th. Please ensure that your child is submitting all work on time for the next three weeks and your family maybe the winner of the \$100 HEB gift card.