



## FAMILY GUIDE

**Keep YES Prep Learning will enter Week 6 on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> thru Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

### Most Important Information You Need to Know for Week 6

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Overview of Important Topics	MS Weekly Overview	HS Weekly Overview	Grading	AP Testing	The YES Prep Senior Experience
	*NEW*	*NEW*	*NEW*	*NEW*	*NEW*

### 1 • Overview of Important Topics in Week 6

For Week 6, all assignments are due on Monday 5/11 at 8 AM.

New Week 6 schedules for Middle and High School.

\*NEW\* The GPA policy decisions have been finalized.

Practice AP testing continues in Week 6.

\*NEW\* Class of 2020 Prom has officially been cancelled.




















\*NEW\* Class of 2020 graduation announcements

## 2 • WEEK 6 OVERVIEW (updated every Friday)

Week 6: May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup> for MIDDLE SCHOOL (4-5 Hours a Day)

<b>What will MIDDLE SCHOOL students do Week 6?</b>	<p>For week 6, students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve their use of tools (Microsoft Teams, Forms and Outlook)</li> <li>• Continue to engage with their campus and teachers</li> <li>• Engage in College Prep and academic lessons and assignments (2-3 lessons per course)</li> </ul>
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### MIDDLE SCHOOL SAMPLE SCHEDULE of LESSONS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
05.04.2020	05.05.2020	05.06.2020	05.07.2020	05.08.2020
<b>Community Connection</b> Activity 6.1 	<b>Community Connection</b> Activity 6.2 	<b>Community Connection</b> Activity 6.3 	<b>Community Connection</b> Activity 6.4 	<b>Community Connection</b> Activity 6.5 
<b>College Prep</b> Lesson 6.1 	<b>Student Choice</b> 	<b>Student Choice</b> 	<b>Student Choice</b> 	<b>College Prep</b> Week 6 Reflection 
<b>ELA</b> Lesson 6.1 	<b>Science</b> Lesson 6.1 	<b>ELA</b> Lesson 6.2 	<b>Science</b> Lesson 6.2 	<b>ELA</b> Lesson 6.3 
<b>Math</b> Lesson 6.1 	<b>Social Studies</b> Lesson 6.1 	<b>Math</b> Lesson 6.2 	<b>Social Studies</b> Lesson 6.2 	<b>Math</b> Lesson 6.3 

Lessons 6.1 will be posted **no later than 12 PM on Monday**, Lessons 6.2 will be posted **no later than 12 PM on Tuesday**, and Lessons 6.3 will be posted **no later than 12 PM on Wednesday**.  
 Students enrolled in any of the following courses will have an additional 2 lessons:

Reading Intervention (2)	Math Intervention (2)
World Languages (2)	Electives for HS Credit (2)










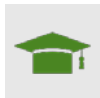










**Any middle school students in AP Spanish will also have 3 lessons.**

### 3 • WEEK 6 OVERVIEW (updated every Friday)

Week 6: May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup> for HIGH SCHOOL (4-5 Hours a Day)

<b>What will HIGH SCHOOL students do Week 6?</b>	<p>For week 6, students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve their use of tools (Microsoft Teams, Forms and Outlook)</li> <li>• Continue to engage with their campus and teachers</li> <li>• Engage in College Prep and academic lessons and assignments (2-3 lessons per course)</li> </ul>
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#### HIGH SCHOOL SAMPLE SCHEDULE of LESSONS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
05.04.2020	05.05.2020	05.06.2020	05.07.2020	05.08.2020
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Students enrolled in any of the following courses will have an additional 2 lessons:

World Languages (2)

Electives (2)

AP courses will have a total of 3 lessons. In Week 6, AP courses that have a practice test will only have 2 lessons. Please see the AP section for more information.

## 4 • How will YES Prep grade equitably during closure?

### During A6 (April 6<sup>th</sup> - May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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, except for courses that did not test prior to closure.

### \*NEW\* At the End of the Semester (May 2020) - How will Semester 2 grades impact GPA?

#### \*NEW\* GPA: Policy

**YES Prep is committed to making decisions that are equitable and in the best interest of our students. Because of this commitment, we will include Semester 2 grades in student GPAs using a process that will determine the best academic outcome.**

For each student we will:

1. Calculate Semester 2 grades both with AND without the A6 average. We will choose the higher Semester 2 average. This will make sure that A6 can only improve the Semester 2 grade.
  2. We will then include Semester 2 grades into the cumulative GPA.
- We conducted a thorough analysis of the potential impact of including and excluding S2 grades in our student's cumulative GPA. After reviewing student data and a variety of secondary and post-secondary policies, we have concluded that including final S2 grades in our students' cumulative GPAs will most value the efforts of our students and families and **bring the most benefit to our students for future college and scholarship applications.**



*All YES Prep partnership schools (Hoffman, Eisenhower, Northbrook MS/HS) will follow YES Prep policies for GPA calculation.*

#### 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.

#### Grading Timeline

Report Type	Grade Reports Available in the Home Access Center
Report Card for A5	Friday, April 17 end of day
Progress Report for A6	Wednesday, April 29 end of day
Report Card for A6	<b>*NEW*</b> Friday, May 29 end of day

- Report cards will not be mailed home. Please use [Home Access Center](#) to access Grade Reports.

## 5 • Advanced Placement (AP) Testing

### How will YES Prep ensure that all AP students are able to be successful in Spring 2020 AP Testing?

#### On AP Testing

At YES Prep we expect all students to take the AP exam for courses they are enrolled in to increase their college readiness.

#### On AP Fees

YES Prep families will not be required to pay any outstanding or unpaid AP testing fees for Spring 2020.

### AP Practice Tests Continue in Week 6.

Students will have a live practice AP exam during Week 5 (beginning April 27) and Week 6 (beginning May 4) of Keep YES Prep Learning.

The schedule will follow the same day of the week and time of their actual [AP exam](#) in May to provide students important practice with a similar format and routine.

The practice exam will be graded, and students will get feedback on the exam.

Each AP course will have a reduced number of assignments the week that they have their practice exam to enable students some additional time to focus.

Each exam will last approximately 45 minutes, and students should be logged in and ready a few minutes before the time begins.

Your student will receive more information from their teacher as their practice time approaches.



To support your student in having the most successful experience, please consider:

- ✓ Reminding them of the importance of the practice. Remember, success on the AP exam in May can earn them valuable college credit.
- ✓ Having them check their email to ensure they have been receiving emails from the College Board. (If not, they should tell their AP teacher.)
- ✓ Providing them with a quiet workspace with minimized distractions during the time of their practice exam.
- ✓ Reducing internet usage on other devices during this time. Avoid streaming television shows, browsing the internet, etc. to provide maximum bandwidth for their device.

If a student cannot attend the live practice, please remind them to contact their teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support and for more information about AP exams please visit:

- <https://www.yesprep.org/covid19/academics/ap>
- <https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/>
- CollegeBoard
  - [AP Exam Schedule 2020](#)
  - [Taking the AP Exams](#)
  - [FAQs](#)
  - [Live and on-demand AP Resources & Review Schedule](#)

2020 AP Exam Practice Schedule

Exam Start Time	Monday April 27	Tuesday April 28	Wednesday April 29	Thursday April 30	Friday May 1
11:00 am	Physics C: Mechanics			Spanish Literature and Culture	
1:00 pm		Calculus AB & BC	English Literature and 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 4	Tuesday May 5	Wednesday May 6	Thursday May 7	Friday May 8
11:00 am		Music Theory			
1:00 pm	Biology	Psychology	English Language and Composition	World History: Modern	Statistics
3:00 pm	Environmental Science				Spanish Language and Culture

# CLASS OF 2020



### \*NEW\* Graduation Updates

A top priority for YES Prep is celebrating your students' accomplishments over the last seven years while students YES Prep. After gathering input from seniors at every campus, we have developed a three-part plan to celebrate the Senior Class in fun and engaging ways during these unprecedented times.

### \*NEW\* The Plan for Graduation



- YES Prep is committed to offering **IN-PERSON Graduation Celebrations this summer**. These ceremonies are scheduled, tentatively, for **August 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>** (assuming that by these dates, public health restrictions on gatherings will relax). The celebrations will take place at the **Bayou City Event Center**, where past YES Prep Classes graduated.
- We will mark the end of the Semester with **Online Commencement**. Our online ceremonies will occur within the same time frame as our original dates for YES Prep's Graduation Ceremonies (**May 29th - 31st, 2020**). Each school will have an individual ceremony live-streamed online.
- And, as previously announced, we will be hosting an online **Senior Signing Day on May 19th, 2020**.

### \*NEW\* What You Can Expect for Graduation

We are still in the planning process for our Graduation ceremonies. However, we want you to know what you can expect at each event.

At the Online Commencement Ceremonies in May, the Senior Class will have the opportunity to hear from their commencement speakers. They will also have their degrees conferred upon them by their Principal. Your family and guests will be able to watch the live stream and celebrate as your senior's name is called.

The in-person Graduation Celebration in August will be a chance for seniors to walk across the stage while you cheer them on. This ceremony will be a graduation like no other - a unique way, in a unique time, to celebrate your students' accomplishments.



### \*NEW\* Partnership Schools Campus-specific Graduation and Prom Policies

- YES Prep Eisenhower will follow YES Prep policies for graduation and prom.
- YES Prep Northbrook HS will follow SBISD policies for graduation and prom.

### \*NEW\* Next Steps

- Check your campus's family messaging, social media, and your student's Senior Seminar Teams for additional updates from your school about the day and time of your school's ceremonies.
- Finally, if your students have not submitted their Declaration Video for Senior Signing Day yet, please encourage them to do so. YES Prep is committed to celebrating your students' accomplishments and their plans for after graduating YES Prep.

## \*NEW\* Senior Spotlight Social Media Campaign

The Senior Spotlight on Social Media Campaign is an initiative to bring a positive and personal spotlight to each senior with a special recognition from campus staff and teachers. Each senior will be featured in a campus social media post so be on the lookout! Additionally, we want the Families of Seniors to be able to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of their senior.

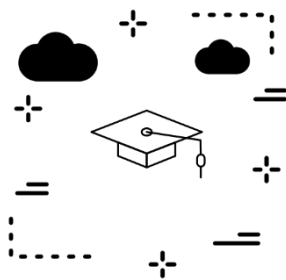
YES Prep knows how important senior year is for families and we want to give you a fun way to celebrate your graduating student by way of a branded Facebook frame! See example below:



To update your Facebook profile picture with the frame, follow the instructions below.

1. On your Facebook profile, hover over/click on your profile picture and click "Update" or "Add Frame"
2. Search "YES Prep" and click your child's corresponding campus' "Senior Family" frame
3. Finally, click "Use As Profile Picture" and voila!

## Cap and Gown Pickup



Cap and Gown Pick Up will take place between Monday, May 4 and Friday, May 8 at seniors' home campuses. Get ready because we guarantee that this will be more than just a typical cap and gown pick up! Your teachers and campus staff will be waiting to cheer you on and celebrate you from their cars. Seniors, and the families they have in their cars, should be prepared for some fun surprises when they come by their campus during their time slot! Even if you don't have a cap and gown to pick up, we highly encourage you to drive by the campus.



All seniors that roll through will be entered into a raffle for YES Prep to provide food for your family in your home to enjoy during a **Graduation Virtual Watch Party!**

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 - 11:00am	Southwest	North Central	Southeast	Gulfton	East End
1:00 - 3:00pm	Brays Oaks	North Forest	N/A	White Oak	N/A
3:00 - 5:00pm	West	Northside	Fifth Ward	<b>**Eisenhower**</b> <b>Car Parade ONLY</b> <b>@ Eisenhower HS</b> <b>3:00 - 4:00 PM</b> <b>Cap and Gown Pickup at</b> <b>a later date</b>	N/A

As our students' and staff's safety is always our number one priority, we will continue to utilize safety guidelines including all staff delivering caps and gown to cars using gloves and wearing masks, engaging in social distancing of at least 6 feet, and asking that students and families do not get out of their cars. We highly encourage all students and families to follow the most updated mandatory mask order for Harris County and wear homemade masks or bandannas.

If you didn't order a cap and gown but are interested in getting one, additional information about ordering opportunities will be communicated to seniors directly from their campus.



### **\*NEW\* Prom Update**

The Class of 2020 Prom that was scheduled for May has been officially cancelled. We know that our seniors are disappointed to be missing this important Senior milestone and many had already purchased something special to wear for the evening. At this time, there are no plans to host a Senior Prom at a later date this summer due to the challenges of practicing social distancing during an event. We encourage students to get dressed up, dance with loved ones in their living room, and take photos to share on social media. Campuses that elect to host a “virtual prom” will communicate directly with students and families. Although we will miss seeing our seniors dressed up for a night of dancing, we cannot wait to see them dressed in their Caps and Gowns during In-Person Graduation in August!