

# **FAMILY GUIDE**

Keep YES Prep Learning will enter Week 9 on Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> thru Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

### \*NEW\* End of Year Virtual Programming



YES Prep campuses will provide virtual end of year programming for students to celebrate their accomplishments from the year and close out with their current grade levels. These events will take place May 26, 27, 28. Campuses will communicate the exact time of these events next week as they may different for each grade level or may be campus wide. Please be on the lookout for additional information on your campuses social media pages, family newsletters, or students' Microsoft Teams Channels.

# Most Important Information You Need to Know for Week 9

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Overview of Important Topics	MS Weekly Overview	HS Weekly Overview	Grading	Summer Credit Recovery	AP Make Up Testing	The YES Prep Senior Experience
	*NEW*	*NEW*		*NEW*	*NEW*	

# 1 • Overview of Important Topics in Week 9

\*NEW\* Week 9 schedules and programming for Middle and High School.

\*NEW\* AP make up tests take place Monday, June 1st - Friday, June 5th

Class of 2020 graduation announcements

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What will MIDDLE SCHOOL students do Week 9?

- Improve their use of tools (Microsoft Teams, Forms and Outlook)
- Continue to engage with their campus and teachers
- \*NEW\* Participate in end of year student programming and celebration
- \*NEW\* Engage in enrichment activities selected by grade level
- \*NEW\* Watch end of year videos from their teachers

## MIDDLE SCHOOL SAMPLE SCHEDULE of LESSONS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
05.25.2020	05.26.2020	05.27.2020	05.28.2020	05.29.2020
	End of Year Student Programming and Celebration	End of Year Student Programming and Celebration	End of Year Student Programming and Celebration	
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	Student Choice	Student Choice	Student Choice	Teacher Inservice
Memorial Day				No School for Students
No School	Student Choice	Student Choice	Student Choice	
				Grade Reports Available in Home Access Center by end of day
	Student Choice	Student Choice	Student Choice	by cha or day
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6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Act	<u>ivities</u>	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Activities	8 <sup>th</sup> Grad	de Activities

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What will HIGH SCHOOL students do Week 9?

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- Continue to engage with their campus and teachers
- \*NEW\* Participate in end of year student programming and celebration
- \*NEW\* Engage in enrichment activities selected by grade level
- \*NEW\* Watch end of year videos from their teachers

## HIGH SCHOOL SAMPLE SCHEDULE of LESSONS

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# 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.

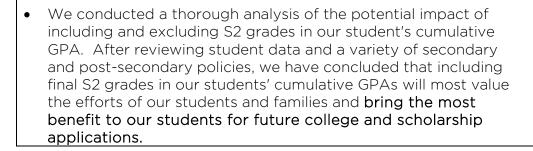
## At the End of the Semester (May 2020) - How will Semester 2 grades impact GPA?

#### **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.





### 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	Friday, May 29 end of day			

Campuses will be mailing your student's final report card by Friday, June 12th.

# 5 • Summer Credit Recovery for HS Students Needing Credit

### **Summer Credit Recovery**

\*NEW\* If your student did not earn credit for a core course in grades 9-12, please enroll them in Summer Credit Recovery to regain the Credit. Summer Credit Recovery is being offered free of charge to families. More information about the Summer Credit Recovery Program, how to register and how to contact at your home campus to learn more can be found at <a href="https://www.yesprep.org/parents/credit-recovery">https://www.yesprep.org/parents/credit-recovery</a>.

#### WHO NEEDS TO ATTEND?

The YES Prep Credit Recovery program will be available for 9th - 12th grade students that need to regain a first semester or second semester core course(s) (Math, English, Social Studies, or Science). Students and families will be informed of final grades by Friday, May 29, 2020 when the Report Cards are posted to the Home Access Center. Additionally, campuses will communicate directly to any student/family that requires Credit Recovery to regain a core course(s) credit or be promoted to the next Grade Level.

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Registration	<ul> <li>Families will need to Register by June 3 at 11:59pm</li> <li>Register for Summer Credit Recovery by going to <a href="www.Yesprep.org/creditrecovery">www.Yesprep.org/creditrecovery</a> and completing the Summer Credit Recovery Registration Form</li> <li>Students can register for a maximum of 3 semester (1.5 credits). If your student requires more courses, please communicate to your home campus.</li> </ul>			
Cost	<ul> <li>Free of charge</li> <li>Due to the impact of COVID, Summer Credit Recovery for the 2019-2020 School Year will be <u>free of charge</u> to families. Please note that this is a one-time cost waived and future Credit Recovery will have an associated cost.</li> </ul>			
Credit Recovery Dates	<ul> <li>June 2 or June 4: Mandatory student and family virtual meeting will take place to ensure students and families know how to sign into the program and check their progress and have an opportunity to meet the summer staff that will be supporting their student</li> <li>June 8 - July 1: During this window, students can work on their course(s) as their own pace. Regular office hours will be held Microsoft Teams to support students struggling with the content.</li> </ul>			
Grades	• The Summer Credit Recovery grading policy will closely mirror the Keep YES Prep Learning Grading Policy. Any work not turned in will receive a 50% and the lowest a student can receive from any turned in assignments is a 70%.			
Technology	• If your student is currently using a YES Prep Laptop you will receive guidance on when the laptop should be returned. If your student needs to take Credit Recovery, and is currently using a YES Prep Laptop, they can continue to use it for Summer Credit Recovery and return it at the end of the program.			

In order to earn credit for the course, the student must successfully complete the program by July 1st, 2020 with a passing grade. Failure to do so will result in the student not earning credit. Depending on the course or the number of missing credits, the student will be retained or need to re-enroll in the course the following year putting them behind in the credits needed to graduate.

# 6 • 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 <u>will not be required to pay</u> any outstanding or unpaid AP testing fees for Spring 2020.

# \*NEW\* AP Make Up Exams take place Monday, June 1st- Friday, June 5th



## AP Make Up Exams Monday, June 1st- Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>

Exam Start Time	Monday June 1	Tuesday June 2	Wednesday June 3	Thursday June 4	Friday June 5
11.00	United States Government and Politics	English Literature and Composition	United	World	English
11:00 am	Physics C: Spanish Literature and Culture	History: Modern	Language and Composition		
	Human	Physics 1:	Environment al Science	Spanish Language and Culture	
1:00 pm	Geography	Algebra-	Computer Science A		
7.00	Calculus AB		5. 1	Statistics	Psychology
3:00 pm	Calculus BC	Chemistry	Biology		Music Theory

\*NEW\* AP Makeup exams are for students who either did not participate in the originally scheduled AP exam or were unable to submit their answers to the CollegeBoard during the original window.

- If a student did not participate in the originally scheduled AP exam, they will receive a new e-ticket for June two days before the scheduled exam.
- If a student experienced any disruption during your May exam, they are able to request an e-ticket for the June makeup exams within 48 hours of your original exam date. Here's how.
  - o Go to the <u>AP Makeup Testing Request Form</u>.
  - o Fill in the form with the required information and a description of what happened.
  - o Submit the form with your original e-ticket.

#### **AP Exam Information**

Each exam will last approximately 45 minutes, and students should be logged in to the testing platform 30 minutes early.

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

- ✓ Reviewing the <u>Getting Ready for Exam Day</u> checklist, including logging into the AP exam demo.
- ✓ Reminding them of the importance of the exam. Remember, success on the AP exam can earn them valuable college credit.
- ✓ Having them check their email to ensure they have been receiving emails from the College Board including their testing information. (If not, they should tell their AP teacher immediately.)
- ✓ Providing them with a quiet workspace with minimized distractions during the time of their 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.

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

- https://www.yesprep.org/covid19/academics/ap
- <a href="https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/">https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/</a>
- CollegeBoard
  - o Getting Ready for Exam Day
  - o AP Exam Schedule 2020
  - o Taking the AP Exams
  - o FAQs
  - o <u>Live and on-demand AP Resources</u> & <u>Review Schedule</u>

# **7• The YES Prep Senior Experience**



A top priority for YES Prep is celebrating your students' accomplishments over the last seven years while students at 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.

## **Graduation Updates**



Virtual Graduation for the Class of 2020 (May 29th, 30th, and 31st)

Now that students have picked up their Caps and Gowns, we can get ready to graduate the Class of 2020!

Each campus will have an individual ceremony livestreamed online at their campuses originally scheduled

time, listed below. The ceremonies will be broadcasted live, with speakers joining remotely to share memories, tributes and a charge for the Class of 2020.\* During the live stream, each senior will be recognized by having their name called along with their photo before the official conferring of the degrees. The Virtual Graduation ceremony will last between 45 minutes to an hour and will be personalized by the campus staff to maintain the unique culture of their class and campus, which may include video montages, messages from staff and students, and social media walls for students to engage in.

\*Please note: YES Prep Northbrook HS will be participating in a live graduation on June 2, 2020 at Tully Stadium with Spring Branch ISD. **There will be no virtual graduation for YES Prep Northbrook HS.** 

The link to live-stream Virtual Graduation will be sent directly to Seniors through their Senior Seminar Team Channel the week of May 25. This link will be using a more secure streaming option to ensure less chance of buffering during the event. However, we know that other family members and friends, not living in your home, will also want to watch and celebrate! Anyone outside of your home that would like to watch the Virtual Graduation Live Stream can do so by accessing the link from YES Prep's commencement webpage.

	Friday, May 29	Saturday, May 30	Sunday, May 31
9 a.m.	Eisenhower	Southeast	Brays Oaks
12 noon	White Oak	North Forest	East End
3 p.m.	Northside	West	Southwest
6 p.m.	Fifth Ward	North Central	Gulfton

Students will receive additional information from their college counseling department on how to submit their photo for Virtual Graduation.

We remain committed to having our In-Person Graduation Ceremony on August 1 and 2 if, at that time, we can safely gather. More information about what to expect for In-Person Graduation will be sent out next week.

#### **Partnership Schools Campus-specific Graduation**

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

### **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!