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Overview - Digital Advanced Placement Exams

EHS Digital AP Exams:

Biology: 6/11, 12 pm

Calculus AB & Calculus BC: 6/9, 12 pm

Chemistry: 6/10, 12 pm Comp Sci A: 6/1, 4 pm Comp Sci Principles: 6/7, 4pm English Language: 6/7, 12pm English Literature: 6/1, 12pm Environmental Science, 6/11, 4pm

European History, 6/2, 4pm

Macroeconomics, 6/2, 4pm Microeconomics: 6/8, 4 pm

Physics 1: 6/9, 4 pm Physics E&M: 6/10, 12pm Psychology: 6/3, 4pm Seminar: 6/7, 4pm Statistics: 6/10, 4pm

US Government & Politics: 6/3, 12pm

US History: 6/2, 12pm World History: 6/3, 12pm

Digital AP Exams Overview on YouTube (1½ min): https://youtu.be/cUtHuYfPsFY.

Length: Digital AP Exams are full-length exams; they test the same knowledge and skills as paper and pencil exams; most have multiple-choice and free-response sections.

Start times: Exams have synchronous start times, worldwide at 12pm or 4pm Eastern Central Time (EST). See the <u>EHS AP exam schedule</u> for specific exam dates & times.



[Important: The official start time is the moment students taking a given exam can begin seeing and answering questions. However, all students are required to check in to their digital exam 30 minutes before the official start time to complete final pre-exam steps. If a student hasn't started the check-in process before the official start time of the exam, the digital testing application will not permit them to test, and the student will need to request a makeup exam.]

Devices: Exams are taken on desktop and laptop computers (Mac, Windows, school-managed Chromebooks) and may not be taken on smartphones; the computer must have a power cord. AP exams do not allow use of an iPad for digital testing.



Internet: An internet connection is required, but students will be able to continue testing even if their connection drops momentarily.

Readiness steps: Students need to complete a few steps before exam day on the same computer they plan to use for testing to confirm that their computer is ready for the exam. An email was sent out about downloading the AP Digital Testing app via the self-service on your school issued macbook.

Practice: Students should be able to access the digital testing application and practice with each type of multiple-choice and free-response question students will see on exam day. Digital exam practice will also confirm students' technology and let students practice using the tools and features in the digital testing application.

Accommodations: Digital AP Exams will be accessible to students with disabilities who have received approval for testing accommodations by the College Board Services for Students with Disabilities office.

Advanced Placement Exam Security

2021 digital AP Exams have been designed with security in mind, so students can take exams at home if they are unable to test at their school. *NOTE: This year's digital exams are not the same digital testing platform that was used for emergency testing in spring 2020.*



Digital exams administered at home or in school will:

- Not allow students to return to answered questions or move back-and-forth between unanswered questions.
- Begin at the same time worldwide with synchronous section start times.
- Include security features to prevent students from collaborating, accessing unauthorized aids, or attempting to have someone else test for them.

Textbooks and notes are <u>not permitted</u> for digital exams administered in school. The College Board understands students taking digital exams at home may have access to these materials. To prevent students from an unfair advantage, digital exams will:

- Not include questions that can be answered with internet searches, textbooks, notes, study guides, or similar material.
- Be reviewed with plagiarism detection software.
- Be reviewed with post-exam analyses to identify collaboration or use of unauthorized aids.

Exam violations on any AP Exam—paper or digital—will result in a score cancellation as well as additional consequences as warranted.

Compared to a paper and pencil version, there's nothing about an AP Exam being digital, or about any particular version of the digital exam, that inherently affects a student's ability to get a particular score. All versions of an AP Exam, whether paper or digital, cover the

same content, use the same question types, and in most cases have the exact same number of multiple-choice and free-response questions.



Higher education institutions will accept AP scores equally for all versions of the exam—accordingly, a student's score report sent to a college will not indicate which version of the exam the student takes.

For more details, visit the College Board digital exams webpage: https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/about-ap-2021/updates/digital-exams, talk to your AP teacher, or contact Thomas Alexander or Brittany Lonsdale, EHS AP Coordinators: thomas.alexander@edison.k12.nj.us, Brittany.lonsdale@edison.k12.nj.us