



# Advanced Placement<sup>®</sup> 2020: What Students Need to Know



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# Taking AP Exams

## What Students Should Know and Do

- AP<sup>®</sup> Exams have been revised to about 45 minutes each and will be taken online, at home.
- AP Exams are scheduled for May 11–22, with makeup testing on June 1–5.
  - AP Computer Science Principles, Seminar, Research, and Art submissions are due May 26.
- This year's exams focus on content most teachers covered prior to March. They have been designed to honor and reward the good work students already did prior to widespread school closures.
- Depending on a school's exam-taking policy, a student can opt out of the exam if they prefer not to test this year; there will not be a \$40 cancellation fee.

# 2020 AP Exam Schedule

<b>Exam Start Times</b> ▶ Local times may vary depending on a student's geographic location.	<b>Hawaii Time: 6:00am</b> <b>Alaska Time: 8:00am</b> <b>Pacific Time: 9:00am</b> <b>Mountain Time: 10:00am</b> <b>Central Time: 11:00am</b> <b>Eastern Time: 12:00pm</b> <b>Greenwich Mean Time: 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Hawaii Time: 8:00am</b> <b>Alaska Time: 10:00am</b> <b>Pacific Time: 11:00am</b> <b>Mountain Time: 12:00pm</b> <b>Central Time: 1:00pm</b> <b>Eastern Time: 2:00pm</b> <b>Greenwich Mean Time: 6:00 pm</b>	<b>Hawaii Time: 10:00am</b> <b>Alaska Time: 12:00pm</b> <b>Pacific Time: 1:00pm</b> <b>Mountain Time: 2:00pm</b> <b>Central Time: 3:00pm</b> <b>Eastern Time: 4:00pm</b> <b>Greenwich Mean Time: 8:00 pm</b>
<b>Primary</b>			
<b>Mon, May 11</b>	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	United States Government and Politics
<b>Tues, May 12</b>	Latin	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Human Geography
<b>Wed, May 13</b>	Physics 2: Algebra-Based	English Literature and Composition	European History
<b>Thurs, May 14</b>	Spanish Literature and Culture	Chemistry	Physics 1: Algebra-Based
<b>Fri, May 15</b>	Art History	United States History	Computer Science A
<b>Mon, May 18</b>	Chinese Language and Culture	Biology	Environmental Science
<b>Tues, May 19</b>	Music Theory	Psychology	Japanese Language and Culture Italian Language and Culture
<b>Wed, May 20</b>	German Language and Culture	English Language and Composition	Microeconomics
<b>Thurs, May 21</b>	French Language and Culture	World History: Modern	Macroeconomics
<b>Fri, May 22</b>	Comparative Government and Politics	Statistics	Spanish Language and Culture

**Each subject's exam will be taken on the same day at the same time, worldwide (i.e., simultaneously).**

To see this year's AP Exam schedule and course-specific information:

<https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/educators/taking-the-exams/ap-exam-schedule>

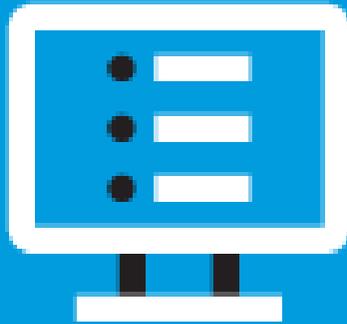
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# Make-Up Test Dates

## For Students with Technical or Other Disruptions

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<b>Make-up</b>			
<b>Mon, June 1</b>	United States Government and Politics Physics C: Mechanics	Human Geography Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	Calculus AB Calculus BC Latin
<b>Tues, June 2</b>	English Literature and Composition Spanish Literature and Culture	Physics 1: Algebra-Based European History	Chemistry Physics 2: Algebra-Based
<b>Wed, June 3</b>	United States History Chinese Language and Culture	Environmental Science Computer Science A	Biology Art History
<b>Thurs, June 4</b>	World History: Modern Macroeconomics	Spanish Language and Culture Comparative Government and Politics	Statistics French Language and Culture
<b>Fri, June 5</b>	English Language and Composition German Language and Culture	Japanese Language and Culture Italian Language and Culture Microeconomics	Psychology Music Theory

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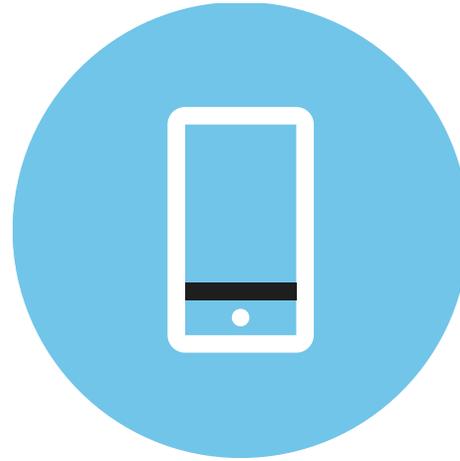


# 2020 AP Exam Format

- Most 2020 AP Exams will have 1–2 free-response questions, each question timed separately.
- Like many college exams, this year’s AP Exams will be open book/open note.
- Students can take the exams online or handwrite answers and submit a photo.
- Students can take exams on any device they have access to—computer, tablet, or smartphone.

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# Device and Internet Access

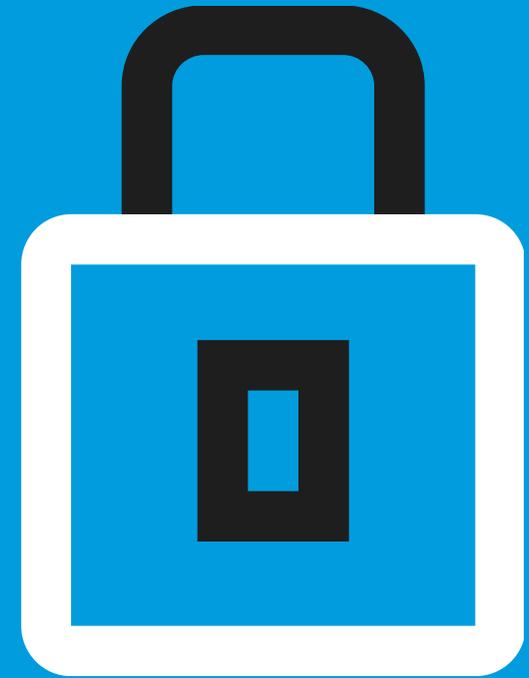


Not all students have access to the internet or a device. The College Board is working on solutions to help students get what they need to show their best work. If you need mobile tools or connectivity, you can **contact College Board directly to let them know by April 24.**

**[collegeboard.tfaforms.net/74](https://collegeboard.tfaforms.net/74)**

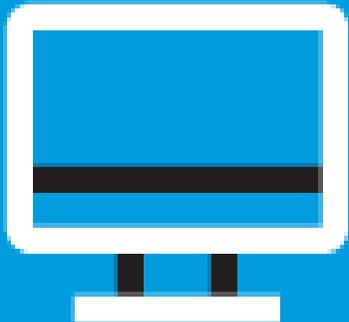
# 2020 AP Exam Security

- Students may not consult with others.
- Comprehensive and strict set of protocols to prevent and detect cheating, including but not limited to:
  - Students required to verify identity and confirm work is their own on test day
  - Students' work provided to their teachers after testing
  - Plagiarism detection software
- Students trying to gain an unfair advantage will have their scores canceled, and their school and potential colleges will be notified.



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# Accommodations



- Students will be able to take the AP Exams with their College Board–approved accommodations.
- Accommodations will be part of the testing platform.
- College Board will provide details closer to the exam administration.

# Preparing for 2020 AP Exams

## AP Updates for Students

[apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org](http://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org)

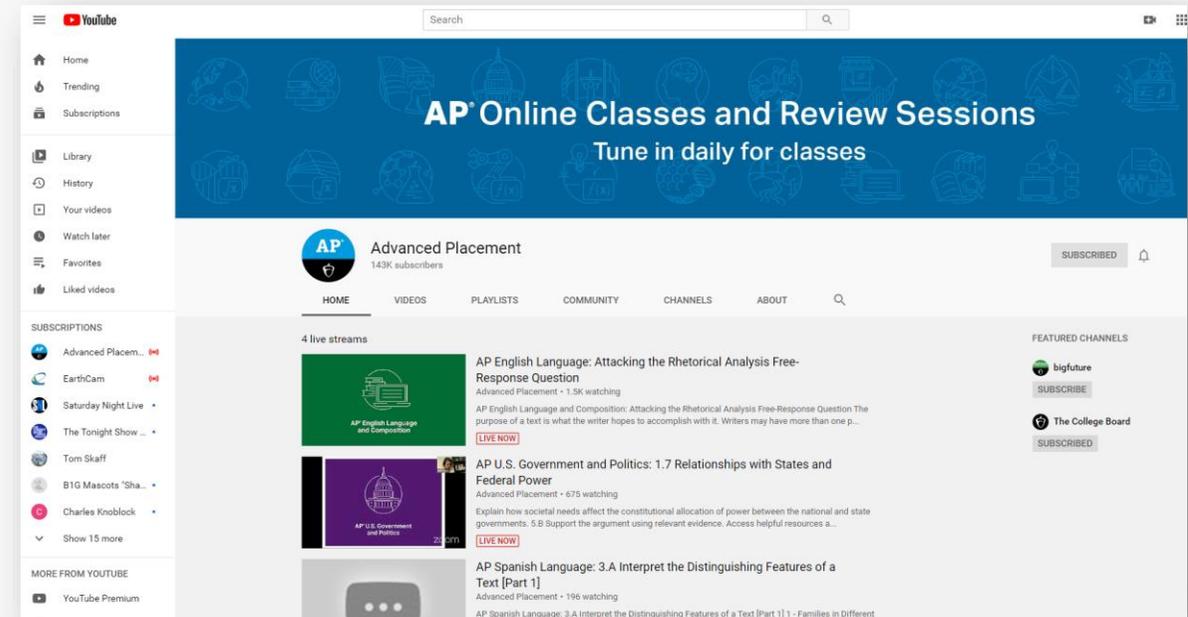
Course-specific exam information, including exam dates and times, descriptions of what students will be asked to do on their exams, and more; exam features; exam scoring; and exam security.

## AP Live [youtube.com/advancedplacement](https://youtube.com/advancedplacement)

Access daily, online AP classes and review delivered by AP teachers from across the country.

## AP Classroom

Students, including students in exam-only sections, will see a new Optional Student Practice section that includes the most relevant free-response questions (FRQs) for practicing the concepts and skills that will be tested.



The screenshot shows the YouTube channel page for 'Advanced Placement', which has 143K subscribers. The channel is currently live streaming. The main banner features the text 'AP Online Classes and Review Sessions' and 'Tune in daily for classes'. Below the banner, there are four live stream thumbnails:

- AP English Language: Attacking the Rhetorical Analysis Free-Response Question** (1.5K watching)
- AP U.S. Government and Politics: 1.7 Relationships with States and Federal Power** (675 watching)
- AP Spanish Language: 3.A Interpret the Distinguishing Features of a Text [Part 1]** (196 watching)
- AP Spanish Language: 3.A Interpret the Distinguishing Features of a Text [Part 1] 1 - Families in Different**

The left sidebar shows the channel's navigation menu (Home, Trending, Subscriptions, Library, History, Your videos, Watch later, Favorites, Liked videos) and a list of subscriptions including 'Advanced Placem...', 'EarthCam', 'Saturday Night Live', 'The Tonight Show ...', 'Tom Skaff', 'BIG Mascots 'Sha...', and 'Charles Knoblock'. The right sidebar shows featured channels 'bigfuture' and 'The College Board'.

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# 2020 AP Exam Scores



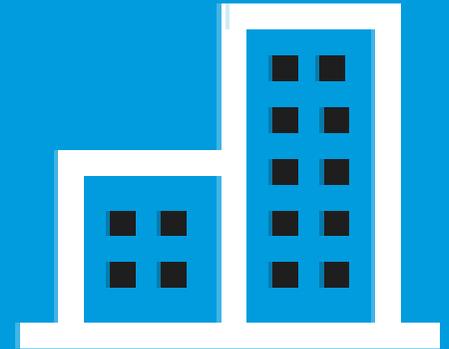
As usual, 2020 AP Exams will be scored by college faculty and AP readers, and scores will be reported on a 1–5 scale.

College Board plans to release scores as close to the usual July time frame as possible.

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# Acceptance of AP Exam Scores by Colleges and Universities

- Colleges across the country are voicing strong support for students to complete the AP experience, take the exam, and receive the college credit they deserve.
- We're confident that the vast majority of higher ed institutions will award credit as they have in the past.
- Colleges are especially supportive given the uncertain financial future many families face, and the value of students entering college with credit.

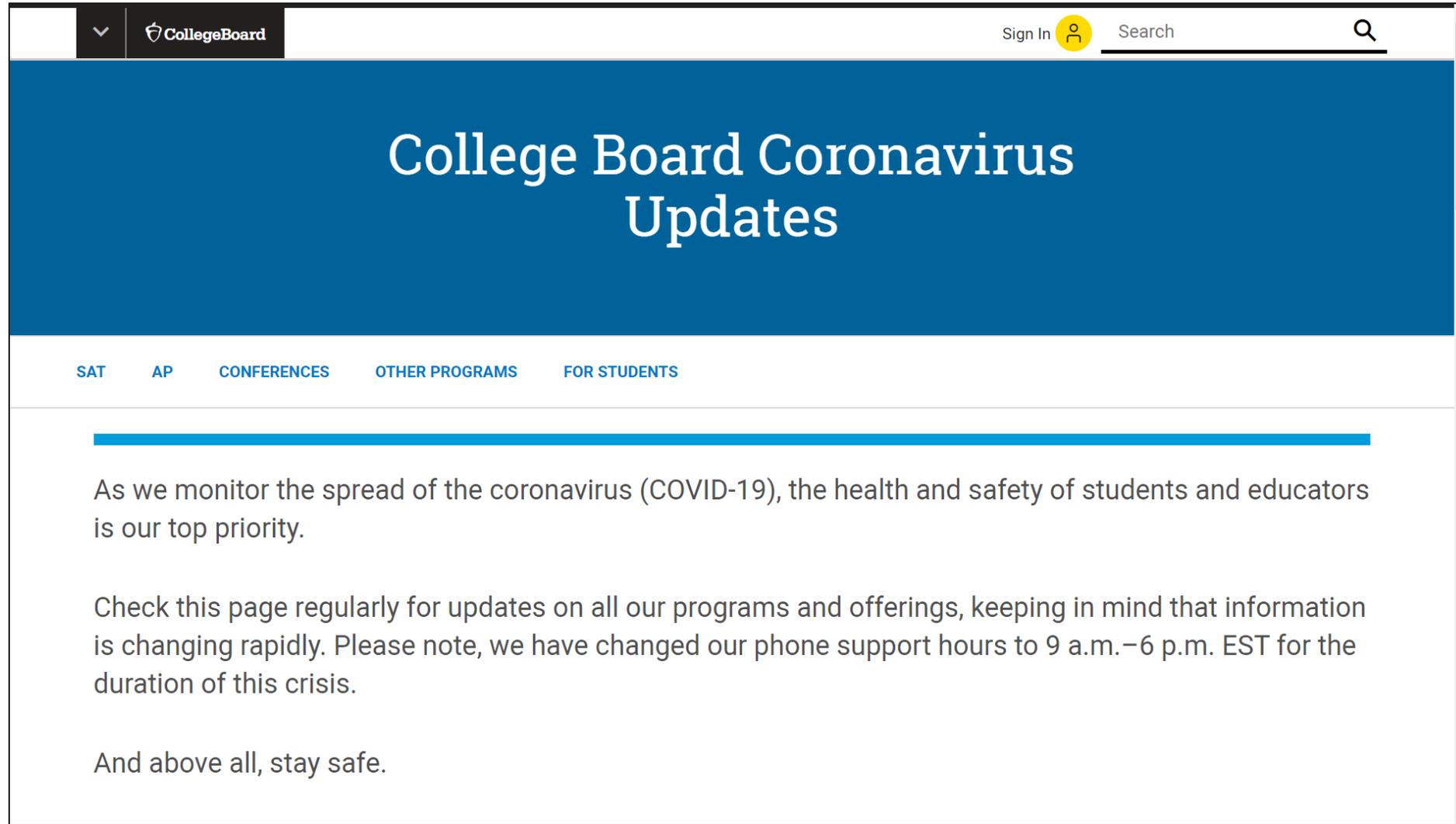


The College Board recently announced changes to Advanced Placement<sup>®</sup> (AP) Exam content and formats for spring 2020.

UC recognizes the effort that students have already applied in these challenging courses and will award UC credit for 2020 AP Exams completed with scores of 3, 4, or 5, consistent with previous years.

- The University of California System

# Updates available at collegeboard.org



The screenshot shows the top portion of the College Board website. At the top left is the College Board logo. To the right are links for 'Sign In' and a search bar. The main header is a dark blue banner with the text 'College Board Coronavirus Updates' in white. Below the banner is a navigation menu with links for 'SAT', 'AP', 'CONFERENCES', 'OTHER PROGRAMS', and 'FOR STUDENTS'. The main content area features a blue horizontal line followed by three paragraphs of text.

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## College Board Coronavirus Updates

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As we monitor the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the health and safety of students and educators is our top priority.

Check this page regularly for updates on all our programs and offerings, keeping in mind that information is changing rapidly. Please note, we have changed our phone support hours to 9 a.m.–6 p.m. EST for the duration of this crisis.

And above all, stay safe.

During this challenging time, College Board will work to give every student the opportunity to earn the college credit they've been working toward all year.

Stay safe and healthy.