

Hi Students and Parents;

I hope this email finds you all rested, safe and healthy. We are all navigating uncharted territory and my thoughts and prayers are with you as we move through each day. AP has released some information as to how AP Exams will be handled this school year. Also, VCHS AP teachers have shared their insights below. **Please take a minute to carefully read the information below.**

From AP:

As schools and communities navigate the unprecedented challenges posed by the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, the health and safety of educators and students are the AP Program's top priorities. Here's how AP is supporting schools:

- AP is providing [free remote learning resources](#).
- AP is investing in the development of a new at-home testing option.
- **Traditional face-to-face exam administrations will not take place.**

The full exam schedule (with 2 test date options), specific free-response question types that will be on each AP Exam, and additional testing details will be available by April 3. AP will also unlock any relevant free-response questions in AP Classroom for digital use so students can access all practice questions of the type that will appear on the exam. A full refund will be available for students that decide not to take AP exam(s). The deadline for a full refund has not been determined.

For additional information please visit: <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/coronavirus-updates#free-ap-classes>

VCHS AP Teachers have shared their insights below:

AP Biology

APBio covered all required testing material prior to Spring Break. (The material that is left to be covered is Neurology- for both 'cool' factor and for real-life applications, and material review.) I will be posting review material for the students- the original schedule including 3 weeks of review prior to the AP test (which the kids knew). Because of that, I recommend that APBio students **take** the AP test. I also recommend that they take the later test option.

AP Calculus AB

Calc AB - I will be reaching out to each of my students sometime next week via e-mail to help assist them around their decisions involving the AP Calculus AB Test.

AP Calculus BC

AP Calculus BC students registered for the AP Calculus BC exam will continue to work towards the AP Test as planned.

AP Computer Science Principles

AP Computer Science Principles will move forward with Explore Task + Create Task. AP will not be giving a multiple-choice exam

AP Chemistry

AP Chemistry will continue to work towards the AP Test delivered in May. We will begin with revision immediately and continue as planned until the test date. All students are encouraged to plan on taking the AP Test as planned. The changes to the AP Test due to the coronavirus will advantage our students and they should feel confident as we move forward with our studies. I will discuss specific changes to the test and our plan of study this next week via Zoom

AP Environmental Science

APES has a Unit 7 test this coming Thursday, and one more unit to cover before AP testing (Unit 8: Global Warming). I am planning to continue preparing the students for the AP test, including posting review material. Because we have College Board tools at our disposal, with which the students are already familiar, I recommend that those registered **take** the AP test. I also recommend that they take the later test option.

AP Language and Composition

Juniors should cancel their AP English Language and Composition exam and register for Dual Enrollment through CCU if they would like college credit. Or they can indicate they would like Regular English 3. Mrs. Cooper will provide additional information, insights, and guidance during class time via Zoom next week as to why this is the best course of action.

AP Literature

Seniors who are signed up for the test should CAREFULLY consider whether their college will accept a 3, 4 or 5 AP Literature test score, especially if they scored well on the Junior level test (AP Language). I will open up a period in the day to specifically prep those seniors who want to take the test. All others should cancel and request a refund. They will continue to benefit from the more project-based curriculum for the DE or Regular English IV track.

AP Macroeconomics

AP Macroeconomics will continue to work towards the AP Test delivered in May. Mr. Mysnyk will be sharing specific changes to the test and continue the plan of study this next week via Zoom.

AP Spanish

AP Spanish will continue to work towards the AP Test delivered in May. Mrs. Wilson will be sharing specific changes to the test and continue the plan of study this next week via Zoom.

AP Statistics

AP Macroeconomics will continue to work towards the AP Test delivered in May. Mr. Mysnyk will be sharing specific changes to the test and continue the plan of study this next week via Zoom.

AP US History

Instruction and preparation for the AP US History tests will proceed as planned. With one Unit left and numerous online resources, we feel confident in our preparation. Mr. Lukanich will reach out to discuss whether participation in testing is appropriate for students individually.

AP World History

Instruction and preparation for the AP World History tests will proceed as planned. With one Unit left and numerous online resources, we feel confident in our preparation. Mr. Lukanich will reach out to discuss whether participation in testing is appropriate for students individually.

Please remember all teachers are available to review your AP Exam options with you. Also, Mrs. Hixon can talk with you about specific college credit for DE and/or AP exams.

I look forward to seeing you all via Zoom over the next week. Please use the link below to schedule meetings with me!

Students we will continue meeting for College and Career planning via Zoom. If you have scheduled appointments with me, please consider the new online schedule and make any necessary adjustments. You will receive a Zoom invite once you book an appointment. If you need to schedule appointments please do so via <https://calendly.com/lhixon>. Seniors, many of you have decisions to make and I look forward to sharing specifics about colleges and help you set up meetings with departments, admission reps, coaches, etc. to understand more about your options. I miss seeing you all in person but I look forward to continuing to work with you and hold individual and group planning meetings via Zoom.

Blessings,

Mrs. Hixon