

Key Information for AP Students with Nighttime Test Schedules

(9 P.M.–6 A.M.)

While normally AP[®] students can test at different times, the unique security protocols required for at-home testing only allow one global time for tests and makeups. Because no single time is convenient for all students, the specific times were selected to enable the largest number of AP students worldwide to test in daylight hours. Our only other alternative would have been to cancel exams in certain time zones entirely.

We hope that for the students in time zones with inconvenient test times, having the chance to test outweighs concerns about the unusual times. If not, any student can choose to cancel the exam, with no cancellation fee. If a student does choose to test, they can choose not to report their scores to colleges.

Following is key information for students who choose to test in this situation:

1. U.S. Admissions officers have reaffirmed that they understand the difficult circumstances some students outside the U.S. are in.

Following is a brief statement from the college admissions leaders on the [Board of Trustees](#) of College Board. Trustees represent institutions including University of Maryland, Washington University in St. Louis, University of Texas at Austin, Florida State University, Vanderbilt University, New York University, University of Arizona, University of Rochester, Purdue University, Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico, Earlham College, Amherst College, University of Florida, California State University: Long Beach, Navajo Technical University, and the University of California

System. This statement is being shared with admissions officers broadly:

“Admissions officers evaluate students’ achievements in context and we recognize that everywhere students face challenges this year. We also recognize the special challenges faced by some students outside the U.S. who only have nighttime AP Exam opportunities this spring. We will certainly understand if AP students choose not to test under these circumstances and we will view students’ performance who do test in this light. We hope students approach this and other aspects of the admissions process with as little anxiety as possible during this challenging time.”

We are also actively reaching out to universities outside the U.S. to ensure awareness of the unique context of this year’s AP test-at-home solution. We are confident universities around the world are going to do their best to exercise flexibility and ensure students are not disadvantaged in the admissions process due to the disruptions caused by the covid-19 crisis.

2. If students choose to take the exam and are not pleased with their scores, they will have a free opportunity to take a CLEP[®] exam to earn credit.

Students outside the U.S. with nighttime schedules who are not satisfied with their scores will receive a voucher for a free CLEP exam, a second opportunity to earn college credit. Students can take CLEP exams at official CLEP test centers, which are located on most U.S. college campuses. Children of military personnel in DoDEA schools may be able to take CLEP exams on a

date and time convenient to them at existing CLEP test centers on their bases. Additional information will be provided to students by email in the coming weeks.

3. At times convenient for students outside the U.S., there will be dedicated live online exam prep sessions that will provide an overview of the tasks and the scoring process.

The chief readers of the Advanced Placement® Program will be available for special sessions for students with nighttime test schedules, broadcast at times convenient for those time zones during the weeks of April 27 and May 4. The chief readers lead the committees of college professors and high school AP teachers who score student work each year. These sessions will be designed to help students understand the types of questions on this year's AP Exams and how they will be scored. Details for these special review sessions will be provided to students by email shortly.