

June 20, 2018

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Dear Ms. Panitch:

This letter details the agreement to make exceptions to the  $AP^{\otimes}$  Program's late-testing policy for students participating in the **2019** March of the Living, which coincides with up to six days of the **2019** AP Exam administration, depending on the student's departure (May 6 – May 13). You may share this letter with principals and/or AP coordinators at schools where your students attend.

The following accommodations will be made for students wishing to participate in your organization's event and still take AP Exams:

- Affected students may use the late-testing dates (May 22–24) for exams offered from May 6 to May 13.
- This exception to the late-testing policy does <u>not</u> extend to students not participating in March for the Living, even if other students from their schools are participating.

The standard timeline is applicable for the following subjects:

- There is no alternate date for AP Studio Art; portfolios must be submitted on or before May 10 8 p.m. ET.
- AP Capstone students must submit final performance tasks and their presentations must be scored by their AP Seminar or AP Research teachers by April 30 11:59 p.m. ET.
- On their AP Digital Portfolio, students participating in AP Computer Science Principles must indicate that they're taking the AP End-of-Course Exam, enter their AP number, and submit all final performance tasks by April 30 11:59 p.m. ET.

Note: The AP Program is extending this rare exception to our late-testing policy; however, the decision to take advantage of this option is left to individual schools. Should the schools where these students attend refuse to administer exams on the late-testing dates, the AP Program will respect these local decisions. In such an event, students must contact AP Services for Educators by March 1, 2019 for help finding other locations in which to test. Should students test in a school not their own, the AP Program affords those schools the right to negotiate a higher exam fee with the student to recover additional proctoring or administration costs.

## How to Order Exams for Late Testing

- Schools opting to administer these exams during the late-testing period for affected students must refer to the *AP Coordinator's Manual* for complete instructions on ordering alternate exams for late testing as well as ordering deadlines.
- So that schools will not incur the late-testing surcharge routinely applied in cases such as these when the decision to test on alternate dates is a personal choice, schools should select as their reason for late testing "Religious Holiday/Observance" for these students only.

• Schools must administer the late-testing exams on the dates/times they are scheduled, per the published AP late-testing schedule.

If, **for one of the late-testing circumstances listed in the** *AP Coordinator's Manual*, affected students cannot take one or more of the specified exams during the late-testing period, the school may contact AP Services to arrange for exception testing, which occurs on May 29, 30, 31 according to a schedule determined by AP Services.

## How to Order Exams for Exception Testing

- Schools wishing to order exams for the exception testing dates (May 29–31) must call AP Services for Educators at 877-274-6474, **by March 1**, to request exception exams. The late-testing surcharge will be waived at that time.
- Schools must administer exams on the dates they are scheduled. Exams designed for use during the late-testing period may <u>not</u> be used on these exception testing dates. If an exam is administered on a date on which it was not scheduled, that exam score will be cancelled.

## Please Note:

Late-testing and exception exams have the following restrictions: Instructional Planning Reports (a score report made available to teachers) will not be available, free-response questions from these exams will not be released, students and schools will not be able to order free-response booklets for these exams, and scores may be delayed until August.

If any questions arise during the ordering process, schools can contact AP Services for Educators at 877-274-6474.

Sincerely,

Angela Palestro Senior Director Advanced Placement Program