# **AP English Language & Composition**

About the Exam

### Exam Overview

The AP English Language and Composition Exam will test your understanding of the literary concepts covered in the course units, as well as your ability to analyze texts and develop written arguments based on your interpretations.

### **Exam Duration**

3hrs -- This does not include proctor instruction, which adds about an extra hour to the day.

## Tuesday, May 14, 2024 @ 7:45 AM (Door opens at 7:30 AM) Location: Auditorium

Students will be excused from all classes on test day.

Students that arrive late will not be allowed to take the exam and will have to pay the restock fee.

# What to Bring on AP Exam Day

#### What to Bring:

- An <u>acceptable calculator</u> if your AP Exam allows the use of a calculator.
- A watch that does not have internet access, does not beep or make noise, and does not have an alarm.
- Chromebook with charger for AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam.
- Although the following will be provided for you. You are welcome to bring your own.
  - No. 2 pencils (No mechanical pencils)
  - Pens with black or dark blue ink

### What NOT to Bring:

- Electronic equipment including phones, smartwatches, fitness trackers, wearable technology, cameras, recording or listening devices, or any other type of electronic or communication device.
  - Chromebooks are allowed only for the AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam.
- Books, reference guides, notes, compasses, protractors, mechanical pencils, pencils that are not No. 2, correction fluid, dictionaries, highlighters, or colored pencils.
- Scratch paper: Students are prohibited from bringing scratch paper to the AP Exam. For AP Chinese and AP Japanese Exams, scratch paper will be provided.
- Watches that beep, make a noise, or have an alarm.
- Computers or calculators that are not approved.
- Reference guides, keyboard maps, or other typing instructions.
- Ear plugs.
- Clothing or shoes with subject-related information.
- Food or drink.
  - You are not permitted to eat while testing. Students will not be released during the 1<sup>st</sup> lunch and might be late for 2<sup>nd</sup> lunch. You are able to eat in the designated area during the 10-minute break between Sections 1 and 2 of the exam. You can have a water bottle with you while testing, just do not drink over the booklets.
- Clipboards.

A student observed with any of these prohibited items during testing or breaks may be dismissed from the exam, the device may be confiscated, the student's score may be canceled, and no retest may be permitted.

Follow any specific health and safety protocols for the exam room that your school may have in place. AP policies allow you to bring hand sanitizer to the room, but it must be placed under the desk, not on the desk. You may use any other PPE (such as masks) following your school's current requirements.

# Exam Components

#### Section 1: Multiple Choice

#### 45 questions | 1hr | 45% of Exam Score

Excerpts from nonfiction texts are accompanied by several multiple-choice questions:

- 23-25 Reading questions: You'll be asked to read and analyze nonfiction texts.
- 20-22 Writing questions: You'll be asked to read like a writer and consider revisions to the text.

#### Section 2: Free Response

#### 3 questions | 2hrs 15min | 55% of Exam Score

The 2 hour and 15 minute time limit for this section includes a 15-minute reading period.

In the free-response section, you'll respond to three questions with written answers. This section tests your skill in composition in three areas:

- Synthesis: After reading 6–7 texts about a topic (including visual and quantitative sources), you will compose an argument that combines and cites at least 3 of the sources to support your thesis.
- Rhetorical analysis: You will read a nonfiction text and analyze how the writer's language choices contribute to the intended meaning and purpose of the text.
- Argument: You will create an evidence-based argument that responds to a given topic.

#### The above information can be found at the following website:

#### https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-english-language-and-composition/assessment

# Exam Fees

Exam fees can be paid to the bookkeeping office starting Monday, May 20.

### Exam Fee: \$97 per exam

- \$40 unused/canceled exam fee will be charged to any student that decides not to take the AP exam and/or drops an AP class after Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Some students may qualify for a CollegeBoard fee reduction or waiver.
  - o Please see the Testing Secretary for more details. Students that qualify for the fee reduction and have all paperwork submitted, will have exam fees waived.

# If you are not sure how much you need to pay or if you qualify for the fee reduction, please come by the Testing Window for clarification.

The ASB office accepts the following:

- Cash
- Card
  - o <u>NOT Accepted</u>: Discover & American Express (AMEX)
- Check made payable to: Eastmont High School EHS

\*Please confirm the fee amount before writing a check.

- No online or over-the-phone payments
- Payment plan options are available -- Please see Ms. Lepez at the Bookkeeping Office.

#### There are many resources on the College Board website, take some time to review before test day.

Feel free to contact the EHS Bookkeeping Office or myself, if you have any questions or concerns regarding exam fees.

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