

DEAR FAMILIES OF AP STUDENTS!

Calvert High School is excited AGAIN to offer some initial incentives to families of AP students for the school year 2017-2018.

To begin with, the cost of each AP exam is \$94.00. **If you pay for any of your student AP exams before March 1, you only pay \$85.00, a savings of nine dollars per test.**

Additionally, if you or your family are paying for five AP tests, CHS will pay for the 5th one. And...if you or your family are paying for four AP tests, CHS will pay for the 4th one. Quite a deal.

Please keep your eyes and ears open in the near future, for we are planning additional fun incentives in the new year.

To give you a little peek, we will be offering an AP "Thank You" event in May for those students who take their AP tests where food and fellowship will be great rewards for all the hard work of AP students.

We do realize that AP Exams can be a financial burden, yet most families stand to gain a large windfall when students' hard work pays off.

Did you know that scoring a five on any AP science exam earns a student up to 8 credits at many universities? There are specific instances where some parents have saved up to \$12,000 because of the high scores students have earned on various tests.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT NEWS: Discounted AP Tests

WHY TAKE THE AP TEST?

Calvert High School believes that the Advanced Placement Exam is the culminating activity of the AP experience.

We strongly urge and encourage each student to take the exam in EACH of his/her AP courses. Take a look at all the benefits.

- Students get the experience of a college level exam.
- Students know their achievement level as determined by the College Board, a national organization.
- Students have the opportunity to earn real college credit. This equates to major money savings and possible early graduation. Think about this. At UMBC, one semester class costs about 1,200 dollars. If a student passes an AP test costing \$85.00 dollars their savings is \$1,115 dollars per semester course!
- Some students get preferential registration opportunities for semester courses.
- The exam is a motivating factor that keeps students achieving at their best until the end of the school year.

Conversely, the decision NOT to test may affect some students' work habits, which can affect their motivation next year in college as well.

OTHER IDEAS TO CONSIDER

CHS teachers regularly engage in reflection of their practices. Without the data from the AP Exam from each of their students, their reflections are not complete.

Admission counselors at even the most prestigious schools have commented that, even after college acceptances have been granted, they expect AP students to take the AP tests – even if the school does not waive credit hours for AP test performance.

There is no guarantee to passing the AP tests, and some colleges do not accept the credits. Still, we encourage all AP students to test.

Every day in class students are running the good race. And now it is time to commit to finishing . . . and finishing well.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

**Please fill out the form to the right and make out checks to CHS. Please put checks or cash in an envelope with this page and give this envelope to your child's AP teacher, Michelle Clancy, or you can take the payment and registration directly to Mrs. Jones, CHS's financial secretary.

Additionally, like last year, you can pay for AP Exams online! The link is below! This is a great option for those who want to pay some each month! A registration form still needs to be filled out and turned in as well.

<https://osp.osmsinc.com/CalvertMD>

If you have any questions concerning Advanced Placement testing, please do not hesitate to email.

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OFFICIAL CHS REGISTRATION FORM 2017-2018

Advanced Placement Exams

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Grade: _____

1st Period teacher: _____

- ___ Art History
- ___ Biology
- ___ Calculus-AB
- ___ Calculus-BC
- ___ Comparative Government and Politics
- ___ Computer Science Principles
- ___ Chemistry
- ___ English Language and Composition
- ___ English Literature and Composition -12th
- ___ Environmental Science
- ___ European History
- ___ French Language and Culture
- ___ Human Geography
- ___ Macroeconomics
- ___ Microeconomics
- ___ Music Theory
- ___ Psychology
- ___ Physics I: Algebra Based
- ___ Physics 2: Algebra Based
- ___ Spanish Language and Culture
- ___ Spanish LITERATURE and Culture
- ___ Statistics
- ___ Studio Art: 2D Design
- ___ Studio Art: 3D Design
- ___ Studio Art: Drawing
- ___ US Government and Politics
- ___ US History
- ___ World History
- ___ Other: _____

___ Number of tests
X \$85.00 through the end of February **OR**
X \$94.00 starting March 1st - March 28

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