

# Second Floor Scoop

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## STUDENTS



**AP Exam Registration and Payment**  
*Please pay for AP exams by the day after you register. You may not pay later than Friday, February 22.*

**AP Exam Registration**

- a. Students registered for the AP exams with their AP teacher and class in the computer lab on Daedalus during the week of February 4.
- b. Student were asked to print a copy of their receipt which shows all the exams registered for and the associated fees.
- c. Students taking multiple AP classes and exams were told to register for all their AP exams in Dae-dalus at the same time.

**AP Exam Payment**

- a. Students should bring the printed receipt with payment (cash, check or money order) to room 237 or 231 during a free period. Checks and money orders should be made out to LaGuardia H.S.
- b. Parents of students paying the full exam fee of \$89 per exam can instead opt to pay for the exams on-line with a credit card by going to LaPro-gram.org.
- c. As per the DOE, students who qualify for free or reduced lunch must pay \$15.00 per exam for up to 3 exams and then \$53 for each additional AP exam.
- d. All payments must be received no later than Friday, February 22.

If you feel that you cannot afford to pay for any or all of your AP exam fees, there is a very limited amount of money available from the Parents As-sociation to help defray the costs of these exam fees. Students should come to room 237 to make a request for financial assistance. Requests for assis-tance must include a copy of the most recent 1040 form indicating financial hardship.



**Extended Time on AP Examinations**

Extended time AP tests will be administered in the Library. Please refer to the 2013 AP Exam Schedule in an upcoming installment of the Second Floor Scoop.

Only students approved by the College Board are qualified for extended time on AP exams.



**LaGuardia's AP Fair**

All interested ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students are invited to LaGuardia's AP Fair on Tuesday, April 9, in the seventh-floor cafeteria. Students will have the chance to learn about the opportunities and challenges pre-sented by our school's AP courses, speak with cur-rent AP students and teachers, review course offer-ings, and ask questions.



**PM School Begins on Tuesday, February 12.**

This semester, we will once again offer credit recovery courses through a DOE-approved, online company called Aventa Learning along with some courses through traditional class instruction.

We consider the Aventa online option to be a good fit for our iGeneration students.

Students who registered for PM school will receive a letter home before Monday, February 11. In addition, each of these students will receive a schedule identifying the location of any PM school class.

## 2013 AP Exam Schedule

Week 1	Morning 8 a.m.	Afternoon 12 noon
Monday, May 6	Chemistry Environmental Science	
Tuesday, May 7	Spanish Language	Art History
Wednesday, May 8	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Chinese Language and Culture
Thursday, May 9	English Literature and Composition	Japanese Language and Culture
Friday, May 10	English Language and Composition	Statistics
Week 2	Morning 8 a.m.	Afternoon 12 noon
Monday, May 13	Biology Music Theory	
Tuesday, May 14		French Language and Culture
Wednesday, May 15	U.S. History	
Thursday, May 16	World History	Italian Language and Culture



**Online Library Resources for Students and Teachers**

The LaGuardia Arts Library website ([laguardia.wikispaces.com](http://laguardia.wikispaces.com)) is growing every day with new services and content. Our new subscription to Easybib.com School Edition allows our students to take notes, make in-text cita-tions, write papers, create and evaluate bibliogra-phies, and share all of these with the teacher. We now subscribe to a 9000 title eBook collection that students will be able to access with their new MyLi-braryNYC cards, which are coming at the end of March. We've also added digital collections for sci-ence, art, and music. The English and Social Stud-ies Departments have content that features online video, magazine and newspaper articles, websites, and access to outstanding databases. Stop by the library or e-mail our librarian, Ms. Tamarkin, at [stamark@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:stamark@schools.nyc.gov) for the EasyBib coupon code and database user name and password.

Teachers, Ms. Tamarkin can create content for your class assignments that you can link to your website!

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### TEACHERS



#### AP Teachers: Your AP Students Registered for AP Exams in Class During the Week of February 4.

This year, we continued to have AP students register to take AP exams by class. Each AP teacher was asked to bring his or her classes to the computer lab as a group to have students register for all of their AP exams in Daedalus at the same time. This was done to help ensure that students who plan to take an AP exam, as well as those who do not plan to take the respective AP exam, were identified earlier in the registration process.

AP teachers were asked to review the memo placed in mailboxes identifying the assigned days and rooms for registration. Please call Ms. van Keulen at x2261 if you have any questions.

Students taking more than one AP exam were asked to register for all of their AP exams at the same time when they initially visited the computer lab. All AP students were told to print out a copy of their receipt after registering. Students will need to submit this receipt and their payment to room 237 during the week following registration. (The due date is Friday, February 22.) Students who were absent on the day their AP class was scheduled to register will be responsible for registering on their own. Please help students to understand this important information.

#### Tax Forms



If you haven't already done so, please see Ms. Nieves in Room 208 to pick up your W-2 form.

### PARENTS



#### Required Student Documentation of February Vacation Plans

Any student who has already booked a trip for February vacation must bring documentation of these plans to Room 201 so that those absences will be considered excused.

You will recall that the Chancellor changed the dates of February break so that students miss school *only* on Monday, February 18, and Tuesday, February 19. Students attend school from Wednesday, February 20 - Friday, February 22.



#### Identify Symptoms on Excuse Notes.

We ask that each parent be as specific as possible when listing a student's symptoms on an absence excuse note. The Department of Education requires the school to code absences in our computer system, and your efforts to explicitly describe an absent student's illness on each note will help us to identify absences as excusable.



#### Extended Time for AP Exams

Parents who intended to submit accommodations requests for students with disabilities for AP exams should have done so by now. Any parent who would like to submit an accommodations request must contact the College Board as soon as possible.



#### Parents: Please Refrain from Calling During an AP Test.

Parents are asked not to call students while they are taking the AP test. **Any given AP exam may take more than five hours to complete** due to the fact that the test requires more than one hour of paperwork. This is unavoidable. Thank you.



## Jupiter Grades Survey

Last semester, forty teachers registered to participate in the Jupiter Grades pilot program. We are now asking for teacher feedback. If you participated in this pilot program, please take a moment to respond to the questions below, and give this form to Ms. van Keulen in room 261. Thank you!

**1. Please describe your experience with Jupiter Grades.**

**2. Describe your students' experience with Jupiter Grades.**

**3. If parents were able to access information about your class on Jupiter Grades, please describe their experiences.**