

Counseling Department-December 2017

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AP Program

With AP, students can take college-level course work in high school. When students take AP courses and exams, they demonstrate to college admission officers that they have sought out an educational experience that will prepare them for success in college and beyond. Performing well on an AP Exam means more than just the successful completion of a course. Most colleges and universities accept successful exam scores for credit, advanced placement, or both. And, research consistently shows that students who are successful in AP typically experience greater academic success in college than those who do not participate in AP. Please encourage your child to register for their AP exams as soon as possible

AP Exam Registration

Registration for the AP exams is opening November 1, 2017. Cost of the AP exams are: Free/Reduced lunch: \$30.00 Non-Free/Reduced lunch \$75.00. Students who have registered before only need to log in to the website. Students who will be registering for the first time, must create a username and password. Deadline to register for exams is February 28, 2018. Payment is due no later than May 4, 2018 Website: www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/442149

AP Exam Schedule – (Highlighted Exams are the courses BETA offers)

Date	Morning Session (8:25 AM)	Afternoon Session (12:00 PM)
Monday May 7, 2018	Chemistry Spanish Literature & Culture	Psychology
Tuesday May 8, 2018	Seminar Spanish Language & Culture	Art History Physics 1: Algebra-based
Wednesday May 9, 2019	English Literature & Composition	Japanese Language & Culture Physics 2: Algebra-based
Thursday May 10, 2018	United States Government & Politics	Chinese Language & Culture Environmental Science
Friday May 11, 2018	German Language & Culture United States History	Computer Science Principles Studio Art (Portfolios due by 8 PM/ET)

Date	Morning Session (8:25 AM)	Afternoon Session (12:00 PM)
Monday May 14, 2018	Biology Music Theory	Physics C: Mechanics Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism
Tuesday May 15, 2018	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Computer Science A French Language & Culture
Wednesday May 16, 2018	English Language & Composition	Italian Language & Culture Macroeconomics
Thursday May 17, 2018	Comparative Government & Politics World History	Statistics
Friday May 18, 2018	Human Geography Microeconomics	European History Latin

Calendar of Events

12/04/17 – EOC Retest

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12/06/17 – EOC Retest
SAT/ACT Registration for Juniors through SAT/ACT Prep Class

12/07/17 – EOC Retest
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12/08/17 – EOC Retest
SAT/ACT Registration for Juniors through SAT/ACT Prep Class

12/12/17 – TSI testing for 10th grade students that completed four (4) TSI tutorials after school.

12/13/17 – Final Exam Review Day

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12/18/17 – Final Exams (Students get released at 2:00 PM)

12/19/17 – Final Exams (Students get released at 2:00 PM)

12/20/17 – Final Exams (Students get released at 2:00 PM)

12/21/17 – Final Exams (Students get released at 2:00 PM)

12/22/17 – 01/09/18 – Christmas Break (No School)

Final Exam Bell Schedule	
Period	Time
1 st Bell	8:20 AM
1 st Exam	8:25 AM – 10:30 AM
TUTORIAL	10:35 AM – 11:15 AM
LUNCH	11:15 AM – 11:55 AM
2 ND Exam	12 PM – 2:00 PM

ACT/SAT Registration for Juniors

Counselors will be going into the SAT/ACT prep courses on December 6, 7, & 8th to help the Juniors register for the ACT and SAT test in the spring. Please encourage your child to continue studying for the SAT and ACT tests, as they are vital for their acceptance to Universities.

SAT and SAT Subject Tests

2017-18 Test Administration Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline
Aug. 26	July 28, 2017
Oct. 7	Sept. 8, 2017
Nov. 4	Oct. 5, 2017
Dec. 2	Nov. 2, 2017
Mar. 10	Feb. 9, 2018
May 5	April 6, 2018
June 2	May 3, 2018

ACT Test

2017-18 Test Administration Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline
Sept 9	Aug 4, 2017
Oct. 28	Sept. 22, 2017
Dec 9	Nov. 3, 2017
Feb. 10	Jan 12, 2018
Apr. 14	Mar. 9, 2018
June 9	May 4, 2018
July 14	June 15, 2018

Dual Enrollment Programs

UTRGV

The Dual Credit Program at UTRGV provides highly qualified high school students preparing for pathways into post-secondary studies with opportunities to challenge themselves academically through university-level coursework. Dual credit courses will be provided at no cost to students or districts; however, neither UTRGV nor BETA will provide textbooks or required course materials.

Requirements

- Be classified as a high school junior or senior on target toward graduating.
- All students must test the TSI and show they have passed the appropriate area required by the course(s) in which they hope to register.
- Must meet at least **ONE (1)** of the following criteria:
 - Rank in the Top 10% of your graduating class
 - Have a 90 GPA or higher (on 100 pt. scale)
 - Have a minimum ACT composite score of 22

STC Dual Enrollment Academies

Since 2005, South Texas College has offered a unique opportunity for high-achieving high school juniors to earn an Associate degree from STC while they complete their high school graduation requirements. The Academies are two-year dual enrollment programs for high school juniors who are interested in pursuing a career in health care, engineering, computer science, criminal justice or business. Students who complete the program earn an Associate of Arts degree in Criminal Justice, Biology, Computer Science, Engineering, or Business Administration.

Students may apply during their 10th grade year to complete the program during their 11th and 12th grade years. TSI is a requirement for this program. Visit the **BETA Website** under the **Academics tab** for Degree Plans and Brochures or visit the website below:

<https://academicaffairs.southtexascollege.edu/highschool/academies/index.html>



Announcements:

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@betasrs19-11th grade Remind
@betasrs18 -12th grade Remind



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