

Advanced Placement 2025-2026



**CANADIAN
INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL**

AP

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What is Advanced Placement?

- The Advanced Placement Program (AP) enables willing and academically prepared students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school.
- Each AP course is modeled on a comparable introductory college course in the subject.
- Each course culminates in a standardized college-level assessment, or AP Exam, scheduled in the first two weeks of May.

Benefits of AP

STAND OUT ON UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS:

AP COURSES ON A STUDENT'S APPLICATION SHOWS THAT THEY'VE CHALLENGED THEMSELVES WITH THE MOST RIGOROUS COURSES AVAILABLE TO THEM, AND SUCCESS ON AN AP EXAM SHOWS THAT THEY'RE READY FOR COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSEWORK.

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT AND/OR EXEMPTION FROM INTRODUCTORY COURSES IN UNIVERSITY:

MOST FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED STATES—AS WELL AS MANY INSTITUTIONS IN MORE THAN 100 OTHER COUNTRIES—GRANT STUDENTS CREDIT, PLACEMENT, OR BOTH FOR QUALIFYING AP EXAM SCORES.

THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) ADVANTAGE

AP[®]

Global recognition

University-level courses taught in high school

Wide selection of courses

Augments existing Alberta curriculum

No additional fees or subscriptions

Students may use one or more AP courses for admissions or credit/placement

Students pay per-exam fee

Students can undertake online learning

AP Exam scores are sent directly to universities to confirm performance

The Opportunity to study subjects that students are passionate about and develop deeper knowledge in preparation for higher level study.

- AP students learn essential time management and study skills needed for college and career success.
- They dig deeper into subjects that interest them and learn to tap into their creativity and problem-solving skills to address course challenges.
- Research shows that students who receive a score of 3 or higher on AP Exams typically experience greater academic success in college and have higher graduation rates than their non-AP peers.

Who Should Take AP at CIS?

- Open to Grades 10-12
- Students who enjoy an intellectual challenge
- Students who are organized and self-motivated
- Students who are passionate about a specific subject area
- Students who are applying to competitive university programs
- Each Student's academic standing will be reviewed before being accepted into an AP course.
- Students who are currently maintaining a GPA of 80% or higher (recommendation)

How Many AP courses can students take?

- Recommendation: 1-2 per year
- Max and on situational basis: 4 per year
- Please take into consideration these courses are heavy in terms of academic rigor and students must first prioritize their Alberta Diploma courses.
- Grade 10- 1 is recommended

How Much is AP?

- Each course is 550 aed (non refundable even if the student drops the course)
- Families must pay in cash to CIS accounts or via bank transfer (please include a reference as to who is paying and what it is for)

AP Programming at CIS

Began in 2019-20 :

AP Studio Art 2D and AP Calculus AB

In 2022-24, we offered and will continue to offer:

AP Drawing (Mr. Jacob) AP Art History (Ms. Jocelyn) AP World History (Mr. Fergus)

AP French (Ms. Amany) AP Music Theory (Mr. Aiden)

AP Psychology (Ms. Richelle) AP Microeconomics (Ms. Emma Kate)

Grade 12 students in Biology 30 may take AP Biology (Mr. Cole)

Grade 12 students in Chemistry 30 may take AP Chemistry (Mr. Ed)

Grade 12 students in Math 31 may take AP Calculus AB (Mr. Mike)

This Year we add:

Full Course Descriptions Can be Found Here: <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses>

How Does AP Work at CIS?

Alberta Curriculum:

Students attend CIS classes and complete Alberta Diploma class work. Some Alberta and AP curriculum cross over.

Course marks on report cards and transcripts are determined by completion of class activities and assessments of Alberta curriculum only.

AP as Enrichment:

Teachers provide AP curriculum through enrichment and extension activities in class.

Teachers provide access to AP resources and monitor student progress in AP content through Teams and "AP Classroom."

Teachers provide opportunities for skill practice and feedback in preparation for the AP Exam in May.

Students check in with teachers during drop-in office hours with their teacher.

AP Exams: May 2026

- Practice Exams available at <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses>
- This is the ONLY formal assessment for AP Courses
- Written in person at CIS in keeping with North American times (TBD)

AP Art: Portfolios due Friday, May 8th

AP Biology: May 4th

AP Chemistry: May 5th

AP Calculus AB: May 11th

AP French Language and Culture: May 12th

AP Microeconomics: May 4th

AP World History: May 7th

AP Art History: May 14th

AP Psychology: May 12th

AP Music Theory: May 11th

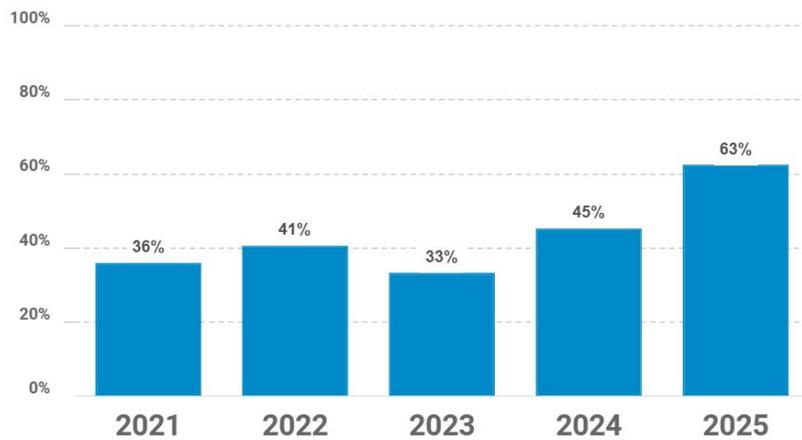
What AP Exam Scores mean

- Scored out of 5.
- Scores of 3 and higher may be eligible for university course exemptions or credit.
- Scores released in July.
- Grade 12 students can list universities they are applying to and their results will be sent directly to students' universities of choice.

AP Exam Score	Recommendation	College Course Grade Equivalent
5	Extremely well qualified	A+ or A
4	Very well qualified	A-, B+, or B
3	Qualified	B-, C+, or C
2	Possibly qualified	---
1	No recommendation	---

Previous Stats

 % OF TOTAL AP STUDENTS WITH SCORES 3+



 SCHOOL SUMMARY

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total AP Students	25	32	27	64	56
Number of Exams	30	44	28	89	78
AP Students with Scores 3+	9	13	9	29	35
% of Total AP Students with Scores 3+	36.00	40.63	33.33	45.31	62.50

Our Goal

- Last year 63% of our students achieved a 3 or higher. This year we would like to aim for 70% of our AP students to achieve 3 or higher.
- Why?
- Students will benefit from achieving the knowledge
- Students will benefit from having a score that will count for university credit where applicable
- Hard Work/ Reward Payoff (Feel good)

Recognized by Universities Worldwide, AP is a global credential.

Universities around the world recognize AP when making admission decisions, course requisites, and awarding university credit.

Qualifying AP Exam scores earn university credit in nearly all universities in the United States and Canada and are recognized in 60 other countries worldwide. Scores of 3 or 4 on AP Exams fulfill admission requirements in many universities in UK and Europe.

Each college and university determines its own policies regarding AP Exam scores. For detailed information about the AP recognition policies of universities, use the searches below:

- [Global: Search AP credit policies](#)
- [Outside the U.S.: Search AP recognition policies \(admissions, credit/placement, and scholarship considerations\)](#)

Student Chooses AP

- Pay Exam Fee by Sept. 12
- Please complete expression of interest form by Sept 5th
- Student creates AP Account to access official AP resources and online tools
- Teachers meet with students week commencing Sept 8th.
- Students Access available resources

Student Studies AP

- Engage with enrichment of classwork
- Engage with online AP resources
- Access support of AP teacher
- Grade 12: Complete list of universities in AP Student Account; include AP course(s) in post-secondary applications.

University Acceptance

- Write AP Exam
- Results released July
- Grade 12: College Board sends AP scores to universities in July 2026

QUESTIONS?

**LINK TO PARENT LETTER FOR
REGISTRATION:**

[AP PARENT PERMISSION LETTER.DOCX](#)