

Advanced Placement Exam Fees Guidance 2026-2027

For the 2026-2027 Advanced Placement (AP) Exam administration, the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) will use state funds to support the costs of AP Exams in English, math, science, and computer science. Specifically, funds support the following:

- **Economically disadvantaged students taking AP Exams in English, math, science, and computer science**
 - For eligibility criteria, visit [AP Exam Fee Reductions](#).
 - NDDPI will cover the entire exam fee for up to four (4) qualifying exams over a student's high school career.
- **Other students who take AP Exams in English, math, science, and computer science**
 - NDDPI will cover the full fee for a student's first qualifying exam.
 - NDDPI will cover 50% of the exam fees (\$45 of the \$90 fee) for three (3) qualifying exams over a student's high school career.
- **Students taking AP exams in AP Seminar and AP Research**
 - NDDPI will cover the exam fee for all students taking these courses (\$53 per exam for economically disadvantaged students; \$99 for other students).
 - Note: These costs reflect the College Board school rebate fee of \$9 and the fee reduction rate for economically disadvantaged students.

Important Exam Fees Information:

The cost per AP Exam and the College Board fee reduction (\$37) has remained the same. Schools still retain a \$9 rebate per exam.

- **Exam Fee for on-time exam orders: \$99 per exam**
(Order by November 13, 2026, for full-time and first-semester courses. Order by March 12, 2027, for courses that start after November 13).
- **School Rebate: \$9 per exam**
- **College Board Fee Reduction for Eligible Students: \$37 per exam**
- **AP Seminar, AP Research: \$99 per exam**

The exam cost is invoiced per exam and is the base exam fee (\$99) minus the school rebate (\$9).

- **Regular exams: $\$99 - \$9 = \$90$** *(amount due from the school to College Board)*

The final invoice reflects the College Board and state fee reductions for eligible students when applicable.

Exam Fees:

The following outlines the fees for 2026-2027:

- Late Order Fee: **\$40 per exam** (in addition to the base exam fee).
An additional fee is applied to each exam ordered between November 13, 2026, and March 12, 2027, at 11:59:59 PM ET.

NOTE: This exam ordering fee does not apply to exams for courses that start after the November 13 ordering deadline, such as second-semester or spring-block courses, and exams for students who transfer to your school.

- Unused/Canceled Exams Fee: **\$40 per exam** for:
 - Exams canceled in AP Registration and Ordering after November 13 and by March 12 (11:59 PM ET).
 - Exams not taken are indicated as unused in AP Registration and Ordering before the school's invoice is generated (invoices are generated after late testing ends).

The original exam fee is removed from the invoice.

- Late Testing Fee: **\$40 per exam** (in addition to the base exam fee) as applicable for alternate exams for late testing.

NOTE: Most reasons for late testing do not incur an additional late testing fee. (See page 30 of the AP Coordinator's Manual for late testing reasons with no additional fee.)

*The fees listed above apply to **all** schools. Unused/canceled exams and late-testing fees apply similarly to all students, **including** those eligible for a College Board fee reduction.*

Note the following about costs:

- Applicable late orders, unused/canceled exams, and late-testing fees appear in your exam cost (shown in AP Registration and Ordering).
- The **late order fee** is per exam, **not** per order.
- College Board fee reductions are available for students in financial need. Many states use federal and state funding to reduce the exam fees for these students. However, College Board fee reductions do not apply to unused/canceled exams, late orders, or late-testing fees.

For detailed information, please refer to the [AP Coordinator's Manual, Part 1](#).

For more information, contact the [Office of Educational Opportunity & Support](#).