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## **Advanced Placement Exams and Credit Flexibility**

The College Board will allow the AP subject area to be listed on the transcript if a student in Ohio meets either of two conditions: a) takes an authorized AP course; b) scores 3 or better on the associated AP Exam.

It is important to understand that AP exam administrations will not be changed. Students will only be able to take an AP exam during the national administration in May. Further, AP exam scores are not available until July. These are important logistical constraints that schools need to consider when utilizing AP exams as Credit Flex options.

To utilize this opportunity, students still must request use of the Credit Flexibility option prior to taking the test. A complete plan must be developed and agreed upon between the student and the school and should include an understanding of the content to be tested, the anticipated date of the exam, knowledge that scores will not be made available until the summer, and possible consequences of not scoring at desired levels on the exam. This must be done in advance of sitting for the exam or the AP distinction cannot be affixed to the student's transcript.

Finally, it is still the responsibility of the school to determine the actual letter grade a student will be awarded based on the AP score. That should be agreed upon by all parties prior to taking the exam as a part of the Credit Flexibility plan.