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Deputy Superintendent

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Dear Parents or Guardians:

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) aims to provide all students with an opportunity to engage in rigorous instruction through Advanced Placement (AP) classes. Taking AP courses allows students to engage in classes that are taught on a college level and designed to prepare them for the rigors of college work.

PGCPS will continue to support and encourage students to take AP classes. However, recent budget cuts have caused us to make changes in how we support the AP Program. This year, we will pay for the exams taken by students who are in the Free and Reduced Meals Program. All other students will be responsible for paying for any AP exams they wish to take. Students should carefully consider which exams to take based on their performance in the class. If you have extenuating circumstances that warrant consideration for financial support, please submit your request to Ms. Edrika Hall at [ehall@pgcps.org](mailto:ehall@pgcps.org) by January 19, 2017.

Teachers will continue to provide students with the same rigorous instructional opportunities in the classroom to prepare them for the AP exams that they will take at the end of the year.

Online preparation for the AP exams can be found at the following links:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/takingtheexam/preparing-for-exams>  
<http://www.mhpracticeplus.com/apExams.php>

Students can also gain valuable insight on the AP courses and exams at:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home>

Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education!

Sincerely,

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Deputy Superintendent for Teaching and Learning