

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 22, 2018

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent 1/4

Division of Educator, Student, and School Support

SUBJECT: Information about the Advanced Placement (AP) Test Fee Reduction

Grant for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

For 15 years, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has received the AP Test Fee Reduction Grant. This grant has paid for AP tests and the International Baccalaureate (IB) tests and registration fees for low-income students. This grant is no longer available.

The following process will be in place for the 2017-2018 school year:

The Michigan Legislature has appropriated \$750,000 that will allow students who qualify for AP/IB test fee reduction to pay a reduced fee for each exam.

Below are the full details for the AP test Fee program for the 2017-2018 school year.

AP Test Fee Program - 2018

- The State of Michigan's contribution to low-income students will be \$20 per exam.
- The College Board contribution to low-income students will be \$32 per
 exam
- The high school will forego the **\$9 per exam**.
- This combination of state and College Board subsidies results in a:
 - \$33 per exam fee for low-income students.

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IB Test Fee Program 2018

- The combination of state funding sources results in a:
 - \$99 per exam fee for low-income students.
 - \$150 registration fee for low-income students.

Please email a copy of the IB invoice to Sam Sinicropi or Jeff McNeal. The MDE will directly reimburse the school/school district.

Please direct any questions to Sam Sinicropi at 517-241-0439, email to Sinicropis@michigan.gov or Jeff McNeal at 517-373-6925, email Mcnealj1@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance