

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING

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## **MEMORANDUM**

- **DATE:** June 8, 2017
- TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents Public School Academy Directors Non-Public School Administrators
- **FROM:** Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent Division of Educator, Student, and School Services
- **SUBJECT:** Information about the Advanced Placement (AP) Test Fee Reduction Grant for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

For 15 years, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has received the AP Test Fee Reduction Grant. This grant paid for AP tests and the International Baccalaureate (IB) tests and registration fees for low-income students. This grant is no longer available. The MDE, working with the Michigan Legislature, has secured additional funding for the support of low-income students who take AP exams in 2017. This means that students who qualify for AP/IB Test Fee Reduction will pay only \$5.00 per exam.

Below are the full details for the AP and IB Test Fee Reduction program for the 2016-2017 school year.

## <u>AP Test Fee Program – 2017</u>

- The State of Michigan's contribution to low-income students is **\$48 per exam**.
- The College Board contribution to low-income students is **\$31 per exam.**
- This combination of state and College Board subsidies results in a: --**\$5 per exam fee for low-income students.**

Please email a copy of the AP/IB invoice to Sam Sinicropi. The MDE will directly reimburse the school/school district (see below).

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## IB Test Fee Program – 2017

• The combination of state funding sources results in a: --**\$5 per exam fee for low-income students**.

Please email a copy of the AP/IB invoice to Sam Sinicropi at <u>sinicropis@michigan.gov</u>. The MDE will directly reimburse the school/school district (see below).

Please refer to this link for the earlier information about the Test Fee Reduction Program that was sent out on May 8, 2017.

• <u>Michigan+2017+AP+Invoicing+Slides.pptx</u>

Please direct any questions to Sam Sinicropi at <u>sinicropis@michigan.gov</u> or 517-241-0439.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance