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Governor



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Dear Advanced Placement Coordinator:

The West Virginia Center for Professional Development (WVCPD) is providing this 2017 winter packet to share important information regarding Advanced Placement (AP) as we enter the second half of the 2016-2017 academic year. With changes to the Advanced Placement Test Fee program and updates to professional development, this information will be extremely helpful as you plan ahead.

AP Test Fee Waiver

The AP Test Fee Waiver program has experienced a major change, and you may be aware of this through emails from College Board. West Virginia, however, will implement the same test fee waiver system that has occurred in the past. The West Virginia Department of Education has granted funding to WVCPD to support this initiative. WVCPD will pay \$38 toward qualifying exams, and students will be responsible for \$15.

AP Rising Scholars

WVCPD will continue to honor AP Rising Scholars with graduation cords and certificates.

AP Professional Development

Several 2017 AP Summer Institute schedules are included in this packet. Please post these flyers in your school so that teachers may begin planning their summer professional development. A new institute site has been added in the eastern panhandle to accommodate teachers in that area of the state.

AP Coordinator and Administrator sessions are scheduled for March 2017. There is also a new Webinar for experienced AP Coordinators as well as a PSAT/NMSQT Scores Report Workshop.

AP Course Audit

The deadline for submitting current AP courses for approval, renewing current courses, and making changes to teacher/course information is **January 31, 2017**.

AP Test Fee Waiver forms, Rising Scholar directions, and AP professional development schedules are included in this packet. Feel free to contact me at Karen.R.Linville@wv.gov or Jenna Green at Jenna.R.Green@wv.gov for assistance with any of the AP information enclosed. Please follow WVCPD on Twitter @wvcpdwvcpd for the latest updates regarding AP in West Virginia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen Linville".

Karen Linville
Director of Advanced Placement Programs

Enclosures

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