

Welcome to the 2011 AP Parent Night

I believe that we parents must encourage our children to become educated, so they can get into a good college that we cannot afford.

Dave Barry



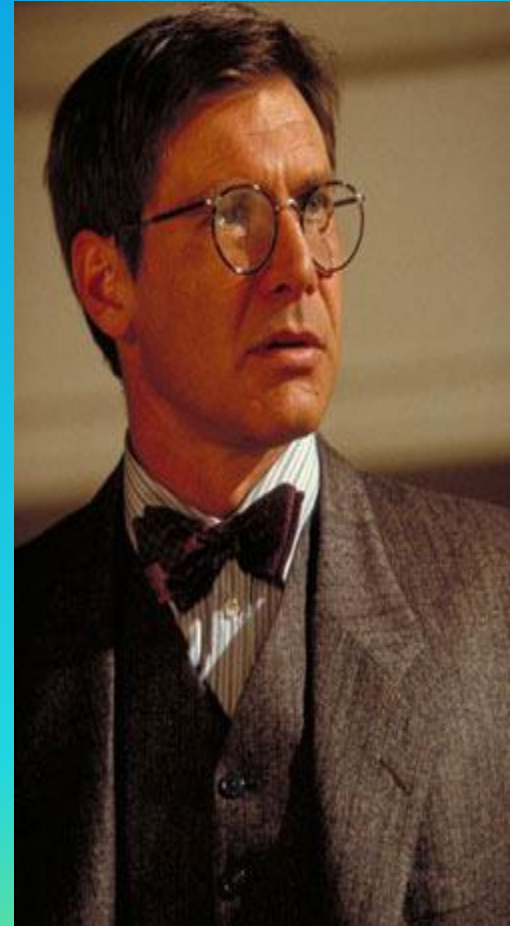
How do students earn college credit?

- Students must take the College Board AP test in May to earn college credit.
- Each AP Exam is scored using a five-point scale:
- 5 – Extremely well qualified
- 4 – Well qualified
- 3 – Qualified
- 2 – Possibly qualified
- 1 – No recommendation
- An AP exam grade of 3 or higher can qualify you for college credit at most U.S. colleges and universities. (More on this to come later.)



What is Advanced Placement?

- The Advanced Placement Program offers high school students the opportunity to take college level courses while in high school.
- The curriculum is developed by a committee of college faculty and AP teachers.
- Each AP teacher has to submit their course for review by the AP board before it can have the title of AP.



How is an AP class different?

- Students engage in intense discussions, solve problems collaboratively, and learn to write clearly and persuasively.
- Students learn how to think independently, express their ideas clearly, and analyze what they read.



Who should take an AP class?

- Students who want to challenge themselves academically and learn how to prepare for college level courses.
- Student who wants to earn college credit in high school and jump start their college career.
- Students who want to enter competitive college programs.



Why take an AP class?

- More than 90 percent of four-year colleges in the United States and colleges in more than 60 other countries give students credit, advanced placement or both on the basis of AP exam scores.
- AP students enter college with college ready skills and adapt easier to the rigor.
- College credit earned by AP courses allows students to take other courses.
- AP students are more likely to graduate college in four years.

- The College Board



Why take an AP class?

- Taking an AP course in high school demonstrates a willingness to challenge yourself academically.
- 31% of colleges and universities use AP courses as a criterion for scholarship money.
- 85% of selective colleges and universities report that a student's AP experience favorably impacts admissions decisions.

- The College Board



Increased Rigor



- Ms. Debbie Pohlmann
 - Increased reading outside of class
 - Expected to know the reading and come to class ready to discuss
 - Pace
 - About a chapter a week
 - Multi-concept tests
 - Relies heavily on synthesis and analysis
 - Relies on independent learning
 - Outside of class preparation for the AP exam

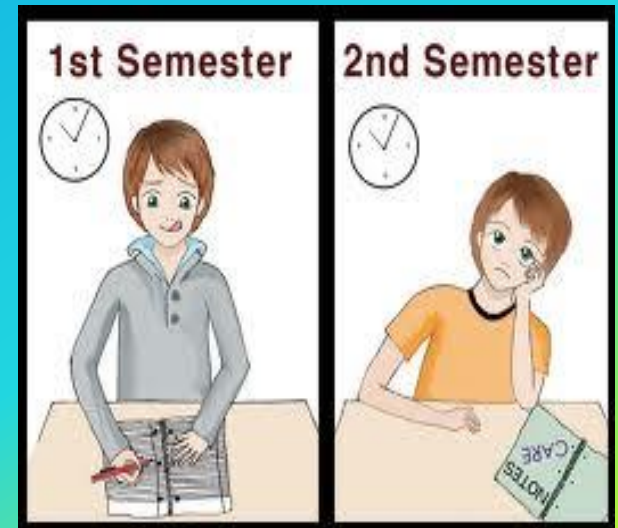
College Success



- Mr. Tom Bond
- Study of 125,000 students from the school class of 1999.
 - 21 top universities
 - 47 state schools from 4 states
 - Criteria of “college success” was a BS degree in 6 years
- Nationwide, 56% of those who start college finish college.
 - US is 14th in the world...less than 20 years ago we were 1st.

College Success

- ACT correlation to college success
- AP correlation to college success
- Senioritis and the cure



High school grade to college success

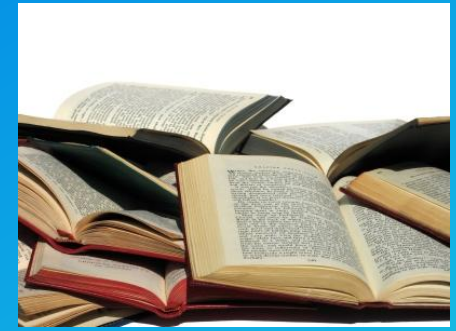
Will County High school	AVERAGE GPA	
	College	H.S.
Reed-Custer (<i>Braidwood</i>)	2.86	2.94
Peotone	2.74	3.05
Lincoln-Way East (<i>Frankfort</i>)	2.73	3.00
Lincoln-Way Central (<i>New Lenox</i>)	2.69	2.91
Beecher	2.67	2.91
Lockport Township	2.62	2.85
Joliet Township West	2.60	3.24
Joliet Central	2.55	3.09
Plainfield North	2.50	3.11
Romeoville	2.49	3.08

Past Success



- Ms. Rose Fleming
- Increasing our success rate.
- AP scholar award (Scoring 3 or better on 3 or more exams)
 - 20 in 2009
- AP scholar with honors (3.25 average and a 3 or better on 4 exams)
 - 6 in 2009
- AP scholar with distinction (3.5 average and a 3 or better on 5 or more exams)
 - 2 in 2009

AP English



- **Language and Composition**

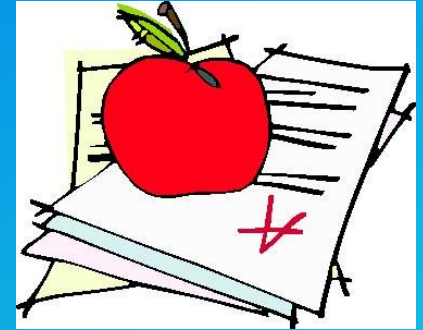
- Open to Grades 11-12
- Study of Rhetoric
- Non Fiction
- Essays, Speeches
- Analysis
- Preparation for College and AP Exam
- 80% Exam Pass Rate
Score of 3 or higher

- **Literature and Composition**

- Open to Grade 12
- Study of Literature
- Classic Fiction
- Poetry
- Analysis
- Preparation for College Opportunity to earn additional college credit
- Avg. Exam Score –

3.2

AP English



- **Reading**

- Complex Texts
 - College Level
 - Varied genres and periods
- Texts are read deliberately and thoroughly
- Students absorb their richness of meaning and analyze how that meaning is used

- **Writing**

- Integral Component
 - ✓ Wide ranging vocabulary
 - ✓ Coherence in thought
 - ✓ Effective voice and style
- Writing explains clearly, cogently and elegantly students' understanding and interpretation of the works they read

Motivation



- Mr. Nugent's last semester, Spring 2008
 - Tuition
 - \$2,150 out of pocket
 - \$2,150 student loan
 - \$500 grant
 - Room and board (4 roommates)
 - \$2,400 dollars
 - \$360 utilities
- \$7,560 before Food, Entertainment, Transportation, Books, and a Girlfriend (now wife).
- 15 Credit Hours

Motivation

- University of Illinois will give 10 hours of credit for a 4 or 5 on the AP physics exam.
- That's the same as giving you \$5,000



Lets play a game,
called what I would
rather spend 5,000
on between now
and the AP test.

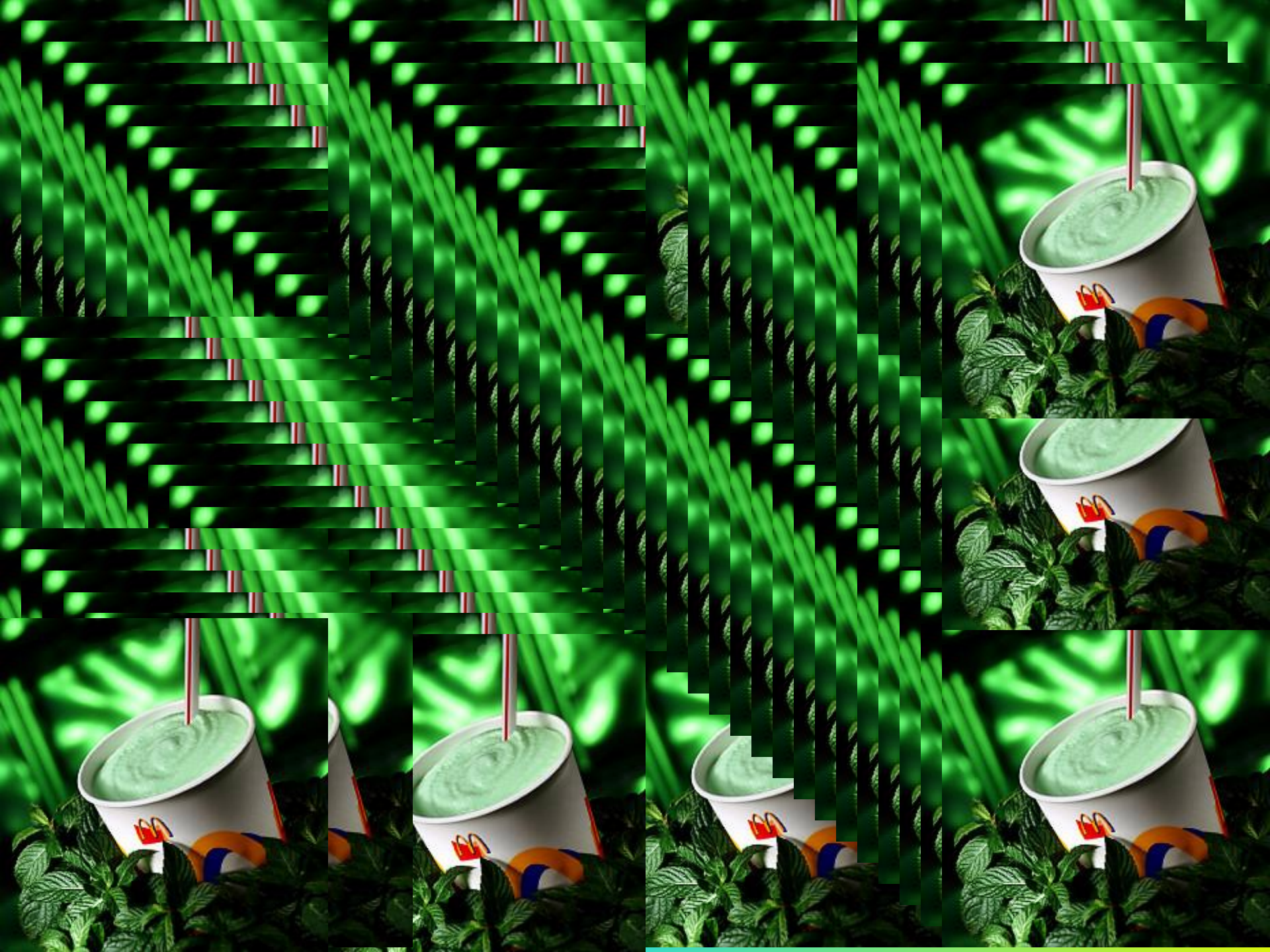
February 5th

Super Bowl

Big Screen

\$2,000





April Fools

1,000 Dixie Cups

Priceless



May 13th Mothers Day

- Take your mother to dinner.
- You know you should
- In a Limo
- \$1,000

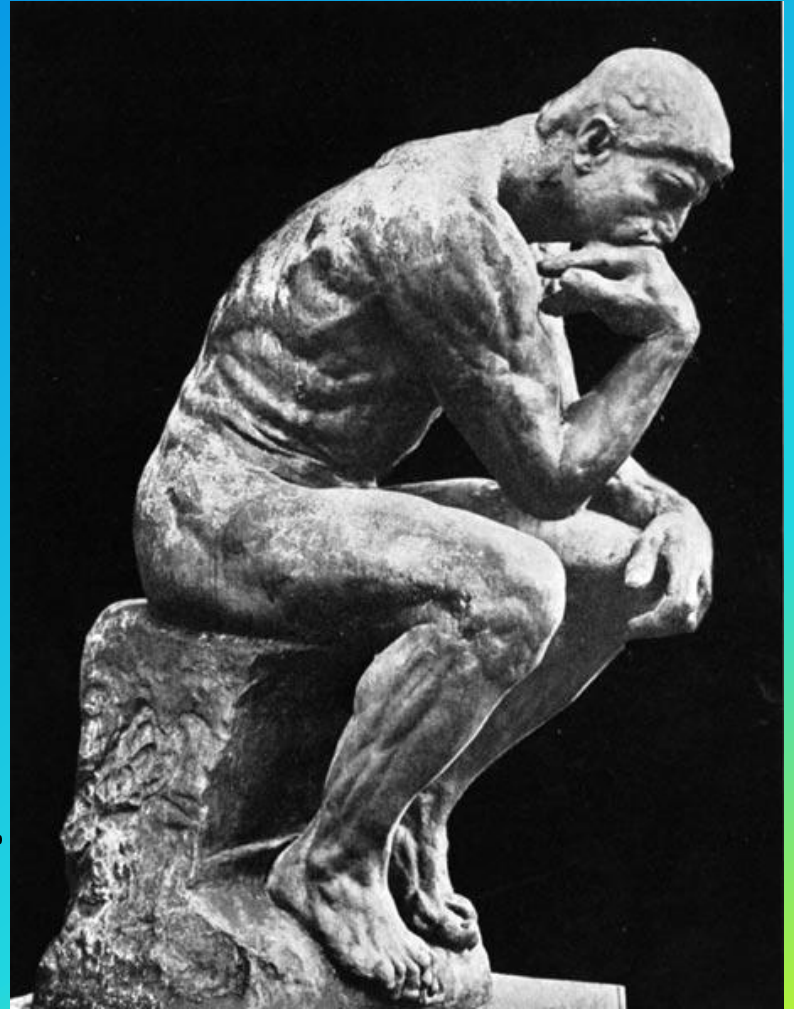


And that is how I
would rather
spend 5,000
dollars.

Funny Thing

Although my spending
may seem like a waste
so is not studying for your
AP test.

I could do all this and still
come out ahead of where
you would if you don't pass.



Check it out!

Google search “AP scores accepted by colleges”

Click on “AP credit policy” (first link)

Type in a school

<http://collegesearch.collegeboard.com/apcreditpolicy/index.jsp>

Here are some examples

DePaul - \$27,342

<http://collegesearch.collegeboard.com/search/CollegeDetail.jsp?collegeid=3042&profileid=2>



Biology	3	BIO 101
	4	BIO 101 & BIO 102
	5	BIO 101, BIO 102 & BIO 103
Chemistry	3	CHE 102
	4	CHE 111 LEC and CHE 111Lab
	5	CHE 111 LEC and Lab CHE 113 LEC and LAB
English Language & Composition	4 or 5	WRD 103
Literature & Composition	4 or 5	ENG 120
Environmental Sciences	3	ENV 102
	4 or 5	ENV 102 & 202
European History	3	One from HST 171, 172 or 173
	4 or 5	Two from HST 171, 172 or 173
World History	3	One from HST 111, 112 or 113
	4 or 5	Two from HST 111, 112 or 113
U.S. History	3	One from HST 181, 182 or 183
	4 or 5	Two from HST 181, 182 or 183
Calculus AB	3	MAT 150 or BMS 125
	4 or 5	Either MAT 150 & 151 or BMS 125 & 126
Statistics	3, 4 or 5	MAT 242/SOC 279 or BMS 142
Spanish, German, French	3	104
	4	104 & 105
	5	104, 105 & 106
Physics B	3, 4 or 5	PHY 150, 151 & 152
Psychology	4 or 5	PSY 105 & 106

<http://sr.depaul.edu/Tests/CreditbyExam/ap.asp>

UW – Milwaukee - \$17,716

<http://www.uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/admission/ap/mil.asp>

Biology	3	Biology 102
	4,5	Biology 102 and Bio elective
Chemistry	3	Chemistry Elective
	4,5	Chemistry 102*
English Language and Composition	3	Free Elective
	4,5	English101
English Literature and Composition	3	Free Elective
	4,5	English 101
Environmental Science	3,4,5	Environmental Studies 210
United States History	3	Free Elective
	4,5	History 151 and 152
Calculus AB	3	Mathematics 211
	4,5	Mathematics 231
Physics B	3	Free Elective
	4,5	Physics 120, 121, 122, and 123
Psychology	3	Free Elective
	4,5	Psychology 101
Spanish Language	3	Spanish Elective
	4	Spanish 305
	5	Spanish 305 and 311
Statistics	3	Mathematics 215
	4,5	Business 210 (Business)/Mathematics 215 (other)



<http://www.uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/admission/ap/mil.asp>

University of Chicago - \$38,550

<https://collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/costs/attendance.shtml>

AP Exam Score Credit Awarded 2009–10

Biology	4	1 quarter general education (BIOS 10130)
Biology	5	1 quarter general education (BIOS 10130)+
Calculus AB	5	MATH 15100†
Calculus BC	4	MATH 15100†
Calculus BC	5	MATH 15100-15200†
Chemistry	4	2 quarters 10000-level PHSC*
Chemistry	5	CHEM 11100-11200-11300
Economics <i>Micro and Macro</i>	4 or 5	2 quarters general elective credit
French Language and Literature	3, 4, or 5	Satisfies the Language Competency Requirement
German Language	3, 4, or 5	Satisfies the Language Competency Requirement
Government and Politics <i>Comparative and U.S.</i>	4 or 5	3 quarters elective credit
Physics B	4 or 5	2 quarters 10000-level PHSC*
Spanish Language and Literature	3, 4, or 5	Satisfies the Language Competency Requirement
Statistics	4 or 5	STAT 22000++



http://collegecatalog.uchicago.edu/pdf_10/exam-credit.pdf

U of I Urbana-Champaign - \$28,200

http://admissions.illinois.edu/cost/tuition_freshman.html

Biology	3	IB 100
Biology	4	IB 150
Biology	5	IB 150 and MCB 150
Calculus AB	4 or 5	Math 220
Chemistry AP	3	Chem 102
Chemistry AP	4 or 5	Chem 102 and Chem 104
English language and Composition	4 or 5	Rhetoric 105
German	3	German 103 and 104
German	4 or 5	German 103, 104, and 211
U.S. Government	4 or 5	Political Science 101
AP Physics B	4 or 5	Physics 101 and 102
Psychology	5	Psychology 100
Spanish Language	4 or 5	Spanish 103,141, and 200
U.S. History	4 or 5	History 171 and 172



<http://cte.illinois.edu/testing/placprof/app.html>

What is the cost?

Each AP exam costs \$ 86
with the potential to
earn at least 3 college
credit hours.

How to improve for this year

- Cell phone reminders to order the test on February 28th.
- Cell phone reminder to study for May 1st.



Thanks for making a difference!

You are the best support for your student. Your attendance tonight is a sign of your commitment to them and their future. Thank you for sharing your time with us.

