

## **AP Biology**

Students who have completed Biology and Biology 2 at St. Ambrose Academy have learned most, but not all, of the material covered on the AP Biology exam. Most of the mathematical and quantitative skills are also taught in the Biology 2 course, but not all.

These students have the skills to teach themselves the remaining material and will receive help from the Biology 2 teacher as requested. Students planning to pursue a career in medicine or biology are strongly encouraged to take the exam. Those planning to enter a science field or who have a natural interest in biology are also encouraged to take the exam.

Students considering taking the exam should consult the Biology 2 teacher and the college counselor. More information on the exam can be found at:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-biology/exam-practice>

**The AP Biology Exam format is described as follows on the College Board website:**

**Section I: Multiple Choice** | 69 Questions | 1 hour and 30 minutes | 50% of Exam Score  
Multiple-Choice: 63 Questions.

**Grid-In: 6 Questions** The grid-in questions focus on the integration of science and mathematical skills. For these responses, you need to calculate the correct answer for each question and enter it in a grid on that section of the answer sheet.

**Section II: Free-response** | 8 Questions | 1 hour and 30 minutes (includes a 10-minute reading period) | 50% of Exam Score.

**Long Free-response:** 2 questions, one of which is lab or data-based.

**Short Free-response:** 6 questions, each requiring a paragraph-length argument/response.