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**AE/ME 455 Mechanical Vibrations**

February 17, 2005

MEMORANDUM

To: AE/ME 455 Students  
From: Professor Moosbrugger  
Re: Optional Quiz

A number of students felt that the proctor for exam 1 started the exam a few minutes late and finished it perhaps a few minutes early. As I did not give the proctor instructions as to what to do if some students needed a few minutes at the end to finish the exam, he assumed I wanted all papers promptly collected at 9:15am.

In the interest of fairness to those students who feel that a few more minutes would have allowed them to finish enough work to get significantly more points on the exam, I will offer an additional testing opportunity for this exam grade. However, in fairness I must offer this opportunity to everyone.

I will offer an optional, 1hr, 40 point, 2 problem quiz (date, time, location to be announced). This can be used to create a new exam 1 score as follows:

$(\text{Exam 1 score} + \text{optional quiz score})/120$  or  $(\text{Exam 1 score})/80$ , whichever is higher.

Please note that I do not “curve” final grades, so a higher exam 1 average will not negatively impact the final grade of anyone who already has a good exam 1 score.

If you wish to take the optional quiz, please fill out the section below and return this memo by the next class period on Tuesday, 2/22/05.

I \_\_\_\_\_ wish to take the optional quiz.  
Name (print)

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Signature

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Date