

MEMORANDUM

To: Superintendents, Principals and AP Coordinators

From: Melissa Blossom, Assistant Director of Secondary, PK-16

Date: December 8, 2017

Re: Advanced Placement Honor Roll

Eighty-five Indiana School Districts are among those earning recognition on the College Board AP District Honor Roll. This is the eighth year the Board has honored districts throughout the U.S. and Canada.

The 447 Districts on the 2017 AP Honor Roll have simultaneously increased access to Advanced Placement coursework while maintaining or increasing the percentage of students earning scores of three or higher on AP Exams. Honor Roll Districts defy the expectation that expanding access automatically results in fewer scores of three or better. “We congratulate and are proud of our districts earning this prestigious College Board recognition. Our goal is to continue to increase the number of Indiana districts earning this honor,” said Indiana State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Dr. Jennifer McCormick.

The District Honor Roll is based on reviewing three years of Advanced Placement data and meeting specific requirements, including:

- Increase in access to Advanced Placement by at least 4% per year in large districts, at least 6% per year in medium districts, and at least 11% per year in small districts.
- The minimum threshold of 10% of AP Exams scoring 3 or better is required before a district can be recognized for expanding participation and performance.
- Increasing or maintaining the percentage of American Indian/Alaska Native, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, and Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander students taking exams.
- Increased or maintained the percentage of American Indian/Alaska Native, Black/African American, Hispanic Latino, and Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander students scoring 3+ on at least one AP Exam.
- Improved performance levels when comparing the percentage of students in 2017 scoring a 3 or higher to those in 2015, unless the district has already attained a performance level at which more than 70% of its AP students are scoring a 3 or higher.

For a complete list of awarded schools, please visit:

<https://www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/news/8th-annual-advanced-placement-district-honor-roll.pdf>