AP Honor Roll Recognition
Board of Education Meeting
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AP Honor Roll

To qualify for the 2025 AP School Honor Roll, schools must meet or exceed the criteria for a given recognition level for all three metrics:

College Culture: **Percent of students in the graduating class who took an AP exam at any point in high school, regardless of score.** To avoid pressure on students to take large numbers of APs, only 1 AP exam per student contributes to this indicator.

College Credit: **Percent of students in the graduating class who scored 3+ on any AP exam in high school.** To avoid pressure on students to take large numbers of APs, only 1 AP exam score of 3 or higher, per student, contributes to this indicator.

College Optimization: **Percent of students in the graduating class who took 5 or more AP exams in high school, where at least 1 exam was taken in 9th or 10th grade.** Because research finds that 6 or more APs do not improve college graduation rates beyond the optimal total of 5 such courses in high school, no exams beyond 5 per student contribute to this indicator. The Honor Roll also recognizes schools that encourage students earlier on their AP journeys so as not to overload them with AP courses their junior and senior years.

AP Honor Roll Recipients

BRONZE

R.J. Reynolds High School

Calvin Freeman, Principal
Nicole Beale, Director of Student Services

College Culture:	College Credit:	College Optimization:
48%	31%	18%

Bronze Thresholds: Culture, 40%; Credit, 25%; Optimization, 2%

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BRONZE

West Forsyth High School

Ayonna Sutton-Chaplin, Principal
Angela Hubbard, Director of Student Services

College Culture:	College Credit:	College Optimization:
49%	38%	11%

Bronze Thresholds: Culture, 40%; Credit, 25%; Optimization, 2%

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SILVER

Reagan High School

Brent Atkinson, Principal
Joel Cordray, Director of Student Services

College Culture:	College Credit:	College Optimization:
59%	47%	22%

Silver Thresholds: Culture, 50%; Credit, 30%; Optimization, 5%

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GOLD

Atkins High School

Keisha Gabriel, Principal
Allison Mathews, Director of Student Services

College Culture:

67%

College Credit:

55%

College Optimization:

24%

Gold Thresholds: Culture, 65%; Credit, 35%; Optimization, 10%

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