

Rahway Public Schools



“Expecting Excellence”

**“Advanced Placement is
not just a series of courses-
AP is a state of mind”**

AP Incentive Program

- Provide financial incentives to teachers and students for passing scores
- Nurture and develop master teachers
- More time on task for students
- Align curriculum through the lens of AP



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Actions

- Eliminated artificial barriers/provided support
 - Tutorials
 - Saturdays
 - Boot Camp
- Active recruitment and expansion
- Targeted professional development
- Vertical teaming
- Early identification-PSAT expansion



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Actions(continued)

- Science Coach
- Searching for “Rigor”
- Parent information workshops
- CollegeEd Curriculum
- SAT words of the day—grades 3-12
- Curriculum alignment—backward map
- Planned expansion



Actions(continued)

- Focus groups
- Universally agreed upon concepts-i.e., preparing lab reports, teaching facts(factoring), mandatory labs



Results

2009-2010	220	3-8-36	47
2008-2009	189	2-9-41	52
2007-2008	154	0-15-40	45

Seven AP Scholars (one with Honors)
National Hispanic Scholar Recognition



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Final Thoughts

- “Advanced Placement is not for the elite...Advanced Placement is for the prepared.”

and remember.....

- *“You can’t have a HAPpy Holiday without AP.”*



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