



Iowa 2024 AP[®] School Honor Roll Recognition



The AP School Honor Roll recognizes schools whose AP programs are delivering results for students while broadening access.





The AP School Honor Roll, which replaces the previous AP District Honor Roll, offers schools recognition across four levels of distinction: Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. Schools on the AP School Honor Roll may also earn the AP Access Award, honoring schools that demonstrate a clear and effective commitment to equitable access to advanced coursework.

For a school to be recognized on the AP School Honor Roll, it must be located within the United States (including U.S. territories) or Canada and:

- Meet each of the following criteria anchored in research-based relationships between AP and college outcomes:
 - ♦ **College Culture:** 40% or more of graduating cohort took at least 1 AP Exam during high school.
 - ♦ **College Credit:** 25% or more of the graduating cohort scored a 3 or higher on at least 1 AP Exam during high school.
 - ♦ **College Optimization:** 2% or more of the graduating cohort took 5 or more AP Exams during high school. At least 1 of those exams was taken in 9th or 10th grade, so that students are spreading their AP experience across grades rather than feeling disproportionate pressure in any single year.
- Have full-time grade-12 enrollments. AP coordinators can update this information online in [AP Registration and Ordering](#).

As of October 2024, in Iowa

Of 169 qualifying schools, 7% earned a place on the 2024 AP School Honor Roll.¹

AP SCHOOL HONOR ROLL AWARD	PERCENT OF QUALIFYING IOWA SCHOOLS	PERCENT OF ALL QUALIFYING SCHOOLS: US AND CANADA
 Platinum	1%	7%
 Gold	1%	7%
 Silver	2%	10%
 Bronze	4%	9%

In addition, **17%** of schools on the Honor Roll earned the **AP Access Award**.

Overview of AP School Honor Roll Recipients

The average percentage of the 2024 graduating cohort who met criteria:

CRITERIA MET	AVERAGE ACROSS ALL QUALIFYING IOWA SCHOOLS	AVERAGE ACROSS ALL QUALIFYING SCHOOLS: US AND CANADA
Took at least 1 AP Exam	21%	43%
Scored 3+ on at least 1 AP Exam	13%	27%
Took 5+ AP Exams, at least 1 in 9th or 10th grade	2%	8%

Schools can see AP School Honor Roll status in [AP Score Reports for Educators](#).

Recognized schools will have access to download a custom celebration kit.

There is no annual application process for schools to be considered for recognition.



AP gives students opportunity to engage with college-level work, to earn college credit and placement, and to potentially boost their grade point averages. The schools that have earned this distinction are proof that it is possible to expand access to these college-level courses and still drive strong performance—they represent the best of AP.”

— TREVOR PACKER
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¹ Note that schools had the choice to “opt-out” of being publicly recognized on the AP School Honor Roll and/or AP Access Award, so some schools who met the award requirements may not be included in these percentages.

2024 Iowa AP School Honor Roll Recipients

DISTRICT	OVERALL TIER	SCHOOL NAME
Archdiocese of Dubuque Education Office	Silver	Wahlert High School*
Archdiocese of Dubuque Education Office	Bronze	Xavier High School*
Cedar Falls Community School District	Bronze	Cedar Falls High School*
Decorah Community School District	Bronze	Decorah High School*
Des Moines Public Schools	Bronze	Roosevelt High School
Diocese of Davenport Education Office	Gold with Access	Regina High School*
Iowa City Community School District	Bronze	City High School*
Iowa City Community School District	Silver	Iowa City West High School*
Iowa City Community School District	Silver	Liberty High School*
Linn-Mar Community School District	Bronze	Linn Mar High School*
N/A	Platinum with Access	Rivermont Collegiate*
West Des Moines Community School District	Bronze	Valley High School*

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* Indicates a school was recognized on the AP School Honor Roll two consecutive years.