AP Honor Roll Districts in Iowa

A total of 367 school districts across the U.S. and Canada are being honored by the College Board by being placed on the Second Annual AP Honor Roll for simultaneously increasing access to Advanced Placement® course work while maintaining or increasing the percentage of students earning scores of 3 or higher on AP Exams. Achieving both of these goals is the ideal scenario for a district's AP program because it indicates that the district is successfully identifying motivated, academically prepared students who are likely to benefit most from AP course work. The majority of U.S. colleges and universities grant college credit or advanced placement for a score of 3 or above on AP Exams.

Inclusion on the Second Annual AP District Honor Roll is based on the following criteria:

1) Examination of three years of AP data, from 2009 to 2011;

2) Increase in participation in/access to AP by at least 4 percent in large districts, at least 6 percent in medium districts and at least 11 percent in small districts;

3) A steady or increasing percentage of exams taken by African American, Hispanic/Latino and American Indian/Alaska Native students; and

4) Performance levels maintained or improved when comparing the percentage of students in 2011 scoring a 3 or higher to those in 2009, or the school has already attained a performance level in which more than 70 percent of the AP students are scoring a 3 or higher.

The AP Honor Roll school districts in Iowa are:

Cedar Falls Community School District

Decorah Community School District

Diocese of Des Moines Education Office (on honor roll for both 2011 and 2012)

Dubuque Community School District (on honor roll for both 2011 and 2012)

Iowa City Community School District

Linn-Mar Community School District (on honor roll for both 2011 and 2012)