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**MORE THAN 20 ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOLS INCLUDED ON  
THE NATIONAL AP SCHOOL HONOR ROLL**

The Advanced Placement Program (AP) enables students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school. It develops college-level courses, which local high schools can then offer annually to build student academic skills through more in-depth learning and AP Exam offerings.

The AP School Honor Roll recognizes schools nationwide, whose local AP programs are delivering excellent results for students while also broadening their achievement.

This year, Alabama had 27 public schools to earn special recognition as some of the nation's top performers for the AP School Honor Roll program.

See Alabama's official 2023 AP School Honor Roll recipients below:

SCHOOL NAME	DISTRICT	OVERALL TIER
<b>Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineering</b>		<i>Platinum</i>
<b>Alabama School of Fine Arts</b>		<i>Gold with Access</i>
<b>Alabama School of Mathematics and Science</b>		<i>Platinum</i>
<b>Thompson High School</b>	Alabaster City	<i>Silver with Access</i>
<b>Fairhope High School</b>	Baldwin County	<i>Bronze</i>
<b>Hartselle High School</b>	Hartselle City	<i>Bronze</i>
<b>Homewood High School</b>	Homewood City	<i>Gold</i>
<b>Spain Park High School</b>	Hoover City	<i>Silver</i>
<b>Hoover High School</b>	Hoover City	<i>Bronze</i>

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<b>New Century Technology High School</b>	Huntsville City	<i>Gold</i>
<b>Virgil I Grissom High School</b>	Huntsville City	<i>Bronze</i>
<b>Jefferson County IB School</b>	Jefferson County	<i>Platinum with Access</i>
<b>James Clemens High School</b>	Madison City	<i>Silver</i>
<b>Bob Jones High School</b>	Madison City	<i>Bronze</i>
<b>Hazel Green High School</b>	Madison County	<i>Bronze with Access</i>
<b>Madison County High School</b>	Madison County	<i>Silver</i>
<b>Buckhorn High School</b>	Madison County	<i>Bronze</i>
<b>LAMP High School</b>	Montgomery County	<i>Platinum with Access</i>
<b>Mountain Brook High School</b>	Mountain Brook City	<i>Silver</i>
<b>Muscle Shoals High School</b>	Muscle Shoals City	<i>Bronze with Access</i>
<b>Orange Beach High School</b>	Orange Beach City	<i>Bronze</i>
<b>Russellville High School</b>	Russellville City	<i>Silver with Access</i>
<b>Helena High School</b>	Shelby County	<i>Silver with Access</i>
<b>Chelsea High School</b>	Shelby County	<i>Bronze with Access</i>
<b>Oak Mountain High School</b>	Shelby County	<i>Gold</i>
<b>Hewitt-Trussville High School</b>	Trussville City	<i>Silver with Access</i>
<b>Vestavia Hills High School</b>	Vestavia Hills City	<i>Silver</i>

## ALABAMA'S HONOREES ON THE AP SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Schools earn this prestigious recognition annually, based on criteria, which reflects local commitment to increasing its college-going culture, providing opportunities for more students to earn college credit, and community commitment to maximizing college readiness.

The AP School Honor Roll offers four levels of distinction: *Bronze*, *Silver*, *Gold*, and *Platinum*. For a school to be recognized on the AP School Honor Roll, it must meet each of the following criteria for their students in the most recent graduating class:

- **College Culture:** 40 percent or more of the graduating cohort took at least 1 AP Exam during high school.
- **College Credit:** 25 percent or more of the graduating cohort scored a 3 or higher on at least 1 AP Exam during high school.
- **College Optimization:** 2 percent 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.

The AP School Honor Roll program and criteria utilize research-based relationships between AP and college outcomes to advance student and classroom achievement.

To learn more about Alabama's AP programs and resources contact ALSDE Program Administrator Dr. Michal Robinson at [mrobinson@ALSDE.edu](mailto:mrobinson@ALSDE.edu)

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