

South Carolina 2023 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](#).

Schools can earn the additional AP Access Award if the percentage of AP Exam takers who are underrepresented minority and/or low-income students mirrors the school's overall student demographics.

As of October 2023, in South Carolina

Of 206 eligible schools, 29% earned a place on the 2023 AP School Honor Roll.¹

AP SCHOOL HONOR ROLL AWARD	PERCENT OF ALL ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS: SOUTH CAROLINA	PERCENT OF ALL ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS: US AND CANADA
 Bronze	7%	9%
 Silver	9%	9%
 Gold	5%	6%
 Platinum	8%	6%

 In addition, **23%** of South Carolina schools on the Honor Roll earned the **AP Access Award**. 39% of all qualifying schools on the Honor Roll earned this additional award.

School Honor Roll Criteria: 2023 Snapshot

The table below provides an overview of the School Honor Roll criteria, and displays the average percentage of 2023 graduating students in eligible schools for each:

HONOR ROLL CRITERIA	AVERAGE ACROSS ALL ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS: SOUTH CAROLINA	AVERAGE ACROSS ALL ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS: US AND CANADA
Took at least 1 AP Exam	38%	41%
Scored 3+ on at least 1 AP Exam	25%	25%
Took 5+ AP Exams, at least 1 in 9th or 10th grade²	10%	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.

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 the number of schools listed in this report may not match the number of schools who met the award requirements and received the award.

² Research finds that students can optimize many of APs benefits just by taking 1-2 AP courses per year, for a total of 5 APs in high school. Accordingly, the School Honor Roll criteria reflects this research, and this metric does not provide more weight for schools when students take more than 5 AP exams. More information can be found [here](#).

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AP represents an opportunity for students to challenge themselves, earn college credit and placement, and potentially boost their grade point averages. These schools have shown that they can expand access to these college-level courses and still drive high performance — they represent the best of our AP program.”

— TREVOR PACKER
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
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2023 South Carolina AP School Honor Roll Recipients

DISTRICT	OVERALL TIER	SCHOOL NAME
Aiken County School District	Platinum with Access	Aiken Scholars Academy
Aiken County School District	Silver	South Aiken High School
Anderson School District One	Bronze	Powdersville High School
Beaufort School District	Bronze	Beaufort High School
Berkeley County School District	Bronze	Philip Simmons High School
Charleston County School District	Platinum with Access	Charleston County School of the Arts
Charleston County School District	Platinum	Academic Magnet High School
Charleston County School District	Gold	Lucy Beckham High School
Charleston County School District	Silver	Wando High School
Charleston County School District	Bronze	Charleston Charter School of Math and Science
Diocese of Charleston Education Office	Gold with Access	Cardinal Newman High School
Diocese of Charleston Education Office	Platinum	John Paul II Catholic School
Diocese of Charleston Education Office	Silver	Bishop England High School
District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties	Silver with Access	Spring Hill High School
District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties	Silver	Chapin High School
District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties	Silver	Dutch Fork High School
Fort Mill School District-York 4	Silver with Access	Nation Ford High School
Fort Mill School District-York 4	Bronze	Fort Mill High School
Georgetown School District	Bronze	Waccamaw High School
Greenville County School District	Silver	Greenville HS Academy of Law Finance and Business
Greenville County School District	Silver	James L Mann High School
Greenville County School District	Silver	Riverside High School
Greenville County School District	Silver	Wade Hampton High School
Greenville County School District	Bronze	Eastside High School
Greenville County School District	Bronze	Mauldin High School
Horry County School District	Bronze with Access	Carolina Forest High School
Horry County School District	Bronze with Access	Green Sea-Floyds High School
Lexington County School District 1	Bronze	Lexington High School
Pickens County School District	Silver	D W Daniel High School
Pickens County School District	Bronze	Easley High School
Richland County School District 01	Silver	A C Flora High School
Richland County School District 01	Bronze	Dreher High School

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DISTRICT	OVERALL TIER	SCHOOL NAME
Richland County School District 2	Bronze	Spring Valley High School
South Carolina Public Charter School District	Silver with Access	York Preparatory Academy
South Carolina Public Charter School District	Gold	Palmetto Scholars Academy
South Carolina Department of Education	Platinum with Access	Governor School Science And Math
South Carolina Department of Education	Platinum with Access	South Carolina Gov School for Arts and Humanities
N/A	Platinum with Access	Pinewood Preparatory School
N/A	Platinum with Access	Trinity Collegiate School
N/A	Gold with Access	Hammond School
N/A	Gold with Access	Saint Joseph's Catholic School
N/A	Platinum	Beaufort Academy
N/A	Platinum	Christ Church Episcopal Upper School
N/A	Platinum	Heathwood Hall Episcopal School
N/A	Platinum	Lowcountry Preparatory School
N/A	Platinum	Mead Hall Episcopal School
N/A	Platinum	Oakbrook Preparatory School
N/A	Platinum	Spartanburg Day School
N/A	Platinum	Veritas Preparatory School
N/A	Gold	Ben Lippen School
N/A	Gold	Northwood Academy
N/A	Gold	Palmetto Christian Academy
N/A	Gold	Westminster-Catawba Christian School
N/A	Gold	Wilson Hall
N/A	Silver	Hilton Head Christian Academy
N/A	Silver	Hilton Head Preparatory School
N/A	Silver	Holy Trinity Classical Christian School
N/A	Silver	Southside Christian School
N/A	Silver	Spartanburg Christian Academy
N/A	Bronze	First Presbyterian Academy