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More than 1,500 Gwinnett students designated as AP scholars for college-level achievement

The exceptional achievement on AP (Advanced Placement) exams has earned 1,545 Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS) students designation as AP Scholars, a College Board recognition for high performance on college-level work while in high school.

This group of Gwinnett students is part of the top 18 percent of the 1.6 million students worldwide who took AP exams, and who performed at a sufficiently high level to also earn an AP Scholar Award.

“The high number of Gwinnett students earning this distinction speaks volumes of our commitment to student success,” says **Dr. Steve Flynt**, chief academic officer. “We challenge all Gwinnett students with rigorous college-level academic work, encouraging students to accept the AP challenge. We are extremely proud of the work our high schools do to prepare Gwinnett students for a successful future.”

The College Board recognizes the following different levels of achievement based on students’ performance on AP exams.

	AP Scholar	AP Scholar with Honor	AP Scholar with Distinction	National AP Scholar	Total
Berkmar High	58	8	26	3	92
Brookwood High	88	50	103	24	241
Central Gwinnett High	50	12	23	1	85
Collins Hill High	65	31	43	5	139
Dacula High	31	9	12	1	52
Duluth High	46	23	36	7	105
Grayson High	51	13	24	4	88
Mill Creek High	53	18	22	4	93
Meadowcreek High	12	1	2	N/A	15
Norcross High	57	11	21	N/A	89
North Gwinnett High	85	41	57	11	183
Parkview High	53	36	71	15	160
Peachtree Ridge High	69	26	48	7	143
Shiloh High	18	8	10	N/A	36
South Gwinnett High	13	6	5	N/A	24
GCPS Total	749	293	503	82	1,545

National AP Scholar:

82 Gwinnett students qualified for the National AP Scholar Award by earning an average grade of 4 or higher on a five-point scale on all AP exams taken, and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams.

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AP Scholar with Distinction:

503 Gwinnett students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

AP Scholar with Honor:

293 Gwinnett students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.

AP Scholar Award:

749 Gwinnett students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP exams with grades of 3 or higher.

Because a student must first earn the AP Scholar with Distinction Award before becoming a National AP Scholar, several students received multiple awards. Of the 503 AP Scholars with Distinction, 82 students also were honored as National AP Scholars. A total of 1,627 awards were presented to the 1,545 Gwinnett students.

Through 37 different college-level courses and exams provided in Gwinnett County, Advanced Placement (AP) courses provide students with the opportunity to earn college credit or advanced placement and stand out in the college admissions process. AP is accepted by more than 3,600 colleges and universities worldwide for college credit, advanced placement, or both on the basis of successful AP exam grades.

For more information about the AP program, visit the College Board at www.collegeboard.com