

NC Advanced Placement Partnership

Ensuring College and Career Success for North Carolina's Students

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Spotlight on Success

7th Annual AP District Honor Roll

In 2016, 433 school districts in the U.S. and Canada earned recognition on the 7th Annual AP District Honor Roll. Five North Carolina districts achieved this distinction for simultaneously increasing access to Advanced Placement® courses for a broader number of students while maintaining or improving the rate at which their AP® students earned scores of 3 or higher on an AP Exam. Congratulations to the following North Carolina districts:

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools
Clinton City Schools*
Columbus County Schools*
Duplin County Schools*
Wilson County Schools

*NCAPP District



Khan Academy to Support Student Success

Together, the College Board and Khan Academy have developed comprehensive SAT practice materials that are personalized, interactive, engaging and completely **FREE**.

Following the creation of Khan Academy accounts, students can take diagnostic assessments. Khan Academy uses these evaluated assessments to create individually targeted plans that address students' greatest areas of need. Additionally, students choosing to link College Board and Khan accounts will be able to use SAT Suite of Assessments results to further tailor their SAT practice. Start linking now! satpractice.org

Top Khan Districts	Linked	Testers	Percent
Caswell County	37	84	44%
Rutherford County	127	319	40%
McDowell County	74	205	36%
Watauga County	34	102	33%

Includes classes of 2017 and 2018 where district had at least 50 test takers

A Look Back at Past Events



Renowned author and speaker Dr. David T. Conley kicking off the Leadership Colloquium



Clinton City High School principal, Dr. Miller sharing AP success strategies with colleagues



Pitt County's Jed Smith explaining the use of bubble graphs as a check for classroom rigor

- ◆ **AP Teacher Symposium**—78 AP teachers attended the two day event in Oct. to take a deeper dive into instructional and content strategies for their respective subject areas.
- ◆ **NCAPP Target District Leadership Colloquium**—Dr. David T. Conley kicked off this year's District Leadership Colloquium in Chapel Hill in Oct. with numerous strategies to advance college and career readiness. Special thanks and recognition goes to Clinton City School's principal, Dr. Miller, and Pitt County School's administrator, Mr. Jed Smith, for sharing their district's story. Resources and presentations from the event can be found at <http://www.ncappartnership.org/2016-dlc.html>
- ◆ **AP Summer Institute Scholarships**—450 teachers from 87 different North Carolina counties were able to refine and hone their craft by attending a weeklong AP summer training at one of our partner colleges or universities.
- ◆ **AP Insight and AP Mentoring Scholarships**—61 teachers received AP Insight scholarships to support instruction. Additionally, 88 AP US History and AP English Literature teachers from 50 different counties are being supported with AP mentors.
- ◆ **AP One Day Scholarships**—74 teachers from 30 counties attended national profession development training this fall.

Why Choose the SAT Suite of Assessments

- Assessments are grade level appropriate and designed to connect directly with classroom instruction.
- Access to **free, interactive, personalized** practice tools through College Board's partnership with Khan Academy
- Increases student capacity in AP courses through AP Potential tool
- Easy to use diagnostic score reports enabling teachers and districts to connect data to instructional planning.
- College Readiness Benchmarks provided for each grade with skills assessment to help districts target areas for improvement.
- Flexible testing dates

AP + NORTH CAROLINA

Did You Know...

Advanced Placement® provides greater educational outcomes for students -

Research clearly and consistently indicates that a strong AP program, that supports students to do well on AP Exams, provides greater educational outcomes for students than dual enrollment programs.¹

Key Finding #1: AP students who score a 3 or higher are more likely than dual enrollment students to earn a college degree within four years, which can save students and families time and money. Recent research has found that taking an extra year to complete a college degree costs a student \$65,000 over his or her lifetime, including additional tuition and fees as well as the opportunity costs of not entering the job market for another year. "Students who stay in school longer wind up paying more up front (net college tuition in the U.S. is about \$8,890 per year), but delaying their entry into the job market can cost them tens of thousands of dollars in future earning potential."²

Key Finding #2: AP students have higher average college GPAs than dual enrollment students.

1. Linda Hargrove, Donn Godin, & Barbara Dodd. (2008). College Outcomes Comparisons by AP and Non-AP High School Experiences. New York: College Board Research Report No. 2008-3. Leslie Keng & Barbara Dodd. (2008). A Comparison of College Performance of AP and Non-AP Student Groups in 10 Subject Areas. New York: College Board Research Report No. 2008-7.

2. Source: <http://libertystreeteconomics.newyorkfed.org/2014/09/staying-in-college-longer-than-four-years-costs-more-than-you-might-think.html#.VSwbgZOVIAN>

A Look Ahead

Middle School Leadership Colloquium for NCAPP district leaders: April 25-26, 2017—Chapel Hill

2017 AP Summer Institute Scholarships for all NC districts—Allotments will be announced in April. Start planning now so your district's teachers will be represented.

District support visits—February through May.

LET US HELP . . .

The NCAPP team is available to facilitate PD on any of the following:

Meet with district and school leaders to address strategies to strengthen the AP Program

- ◆ In-depth analysis of Advanced Placement data reports
- ◆ Use of teacher Instructional Planning Report
- ◆ Effective use of the AP Potential tool to help identify AP candidates for your AP Program

Leverage PSAT/SAT reporting portal to mine assessment data

- ◆ Overall Summary report
- ◆ Demographic report
- ◆ College Readiness Benchmark report
- ◆ Question analysis aligned to NC state standards



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