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Meet Michelle Lourcey



NCAPP is excited that Michelle Lourcey has joined our team! Previously, Michelle worked with the North Carolina Virtual Public School as the Chief Academic Officer. During her eleven years at NCVPS, Michelle was responsible for the development and operation of in-

novative online learning programs that targeted every kind of learner, from students with disabilities to gifted learners. Michelle has been in education for 25 years, also serving as a classroom AP English Literature teacher, online teacher, Curriculum Specialist, and school Administrator.

We are fortunate to have such an accomplished educator join our team, and look forward to Michelle's expertise as she works with districts throughout North Carolina.

9th District AP Honor Roll Recipients

We are extremely proud of our 2018 AP Honor Roll Districts. Only 373 school districts in the U.S and Canada achieved the award this year. The school districts below were among the elite to make the list. Congratulation for a job well-done!

Lexington City Schools Yancey County Public Schools (2nd year in a row!)

In order to receive recognition, districts must simultaneously increase access to Advanced Placement® courses for a broader number of students while maintaining or improving the rate at which their AP® students earned scores over a three year period.

Resources Coming to AP in 2019-2020

Go to collegeboard.org/ap2019 for details

New Teacher Resources

- AP Question Bank
- Performance Dashboard
- Unit Guides
- Personal Progress Checks



Improved Ordering and Administration

- Digital Activation
- Fall Registration
- Student Registration Labels
- Streamlined Exam Ordering

Spring 2019

Principals and AP Coordinators—Communicate new AP Exam ordering deadlines, policies and fees to students and parents

Teachers—Submit AP Course Audit forms for new 2019-2020 AP courses which are approved by the school's AP Course Audit administrator.

Students—Create College Board student account if one does not exist. If an account already exists, login to make sure you know user name/password. Call Customer Service if multiple counts exist for a single student so accounts can be consolidated.

Free AP Computer Science Training—Friday Institute

As North Carolina's regional partner for Code.org, The Friday Institute offers a program for teachers who are planning to implement Code.org's AP Computer Science Principles curricula. The professional learning program is an intensive, highly supportive program designed to prepare educators who have not necessarily taught or studied computer science previously to provide high quality instruction. The program includes:

- A five-day summer workshop, which will fully prepare educators to utilize Code.org curricula and teacher support systems
- Four one-day Saturday workshops during the school year when teachers will reconvene for ongoing training and just-in-time support.

Additional opportunities for online and face-to-face networking and collaboration with peers and industry professionals throughout the year.

The fee for the CS Discoveries year-long programs is \$2,000 which includes 9 days of professional development, workshop materials, and eligible travel costs. We are able to make this available at 33% off the national cost thanks to contributions and support from Code.org and NC State University. In addition, thanks to funding support from The College Board, we are able to offer scholarships to public school educators in North Carolina to attend our CS Principles Professional Learning Program at no charge. https://goo.gl/9ZYV16

Five Years of NCAPP and the Impact on Underserved Students

Year 1:

- 26.8% increase in number of Black AP student participation, with 14.5% increase in scores of 3-5
- 32% increase in Hispanic AP student participation, with 18.6% increase in scores of 3-5

Year 2:

- 22.8% increase in number of Black AP student participation with 12.7% increase in scores of 3-5
- 21.3% increase in number of Hispanic AP student participation with 14.8% increase in scores of 3-5

Year 3: Changes in demographic categories impact direct comparisons

Year 4:

- 5.9% increase in number of Black AP student participation with 9.4% increase in scores of 3-5
- 13.5% increase in number of Hispanic AP student participation with 11.7% increase in scores of 3-5

Year 5:

- Black AP student performance increased 4.2% in scores of 3-5 over last year
- 6.3% increase in number of Hispanic AP student participation with 9.1% increase in scores of 3-5



2019 Advanced Placement Exam Schedule					
Date	8:00 a.m.		12:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.
6-May	US Gov & Pol.		Chinese Lang.	Env. Sci.	
7-May	Seminar	Spanish Lang.	Japanese Lang.	Physics 1	
8-May	Eng Literature		European Hist	French Lang.	
9-May	Chemistry	Spanish Lit.	German Lang.	Psychology	
10-May	US History		CS Principles	Physics 2	
10-May	Studio Art - submission deadline				
13-May	Biology		Physics C: Mech.		Physics C: Elect.
14-May	Calculus AB	Calculus BC	Art History	Human Geo.	
15-May	Eng Language		Italian Language	Macro Econ	
16-May	Comp Gov.	World History	Statistics		
17-May	Music Theory	Micro	Computer Sci A	Latin	

- SAT can now be administered during the school day and the cost for low-income students is only \$8.00 without essay and \$15.00 with essay. Click here for information.
- By linking College Board and Khan accounts, students can access a personalized plan that helps them improve the skills needed to be successful on the SAT. https://goo.gl/9Tzyl0
- Information for the state AP invoicing will be available via an ondemand webinar on the NCAPP website. https://goo.gl/M3quW5
- AP Mentoring is available for AP Computer Science Principles, AP English Literature and Composition, and AP U.S. History. AP Mentoring Go to AP Central website for more information.
- DPI has a webpage dedicated to information about Advanced Learning and Advanced Placement http://www.ncpublicschools.org/advancedlearning/apib/placement/

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 to identify candidates for AP
- ♦ Rigor analysis walkthrough

Leverage PSAT/SAT reporting portal

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



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Upcoming Events

Event: NC Principal & AP Coordinator Meeting - Changes Coming to Advanced Placement in 2019

When: March 21, 2009

Where: Grandover Resort, Greensboro, NC

NC DPI and NCAPP will partner to deliver a face-to-face training on Thursday afternoon, March 21st on changes coming to AP in fall 2019. Starting with the 2019-20 school year, AP students and teachers will benefit from a suite of new online resources throughout the year: an AP question bank, subject specific unit guides, personal progress checks for students, and a performance dashboard for teachers to monitor the progress of their students. These resources are designed to help AP teachers provide students with focused instruction and actionable, personalized feedback throughout the year. All of these resources are free, and will be available for all 38 AP courses. In order to gain access to these materials and to improve the registration and ordering system, AP coordinators will place AP exam orders in the fall in 2019, using a new online registration and ordering system. They will receive personalized student registration labels that will greatly reduce time-consuming bubbling of student information before the exam. This meeting will explain these new timelines and supports so your schools can be ready. AP Program leaders from the College Board will be in attendance. The audience for this meeting is school Principals and AP Coordinators. Registration and lunch will be paid for by NCAPP. Administrators can register at https://bit.ly/2Ue1alW . Limit 2 registrants per district. Registrations are due by March 8, 2019.

Event: Middle Level Colloquium

Where: Grandover Resort, Greensboro, NC

Date: March 20-21

Got rigor in your middle schools? Need ideas to take rigor up a notch and increase your AP pipeline? The NC AP Partnership (NCAPP) Middle Level Colloquium is a professional development event designed to allow leadership teams from each of the NCAPP districts to discuss how to strengthen the AP pipelines in their districts. Attendees will learn to strategize and plan for increasing student access to rigor in middle school in order to increase AP participation and performance in high school. This event is specifically designed for middle school or district administrators or counselors (max 3 participants per district for those districts with 1-2 middle schools, 6 per district for those districts with 3 or more middle schools). Your registration is paid for by the partnership. NCAPP will also pay for 1 hotel night (March 20th) and reasonable travel reimbursement for 3-6 participants from each NCAPP district (depending on size). Only necessary travel expenses will be reimbursed, subject to funds availability up to the maximum allowable amount. Two-day event maximum reimbursement: \$250 per person. Hotel will be reserved and paid directly by NCAPP. Do not reserve independently with the hotel.

Administrators can register at https://bit.ly/2RI7ueK . Registrations are due by Feb. 28, 2019.

Event: Vertical Articulation Meeting—NCAPP Districts

Where: Wildacres Retreat, Little Switzerland, NC

Date: May 17-19

Details—Coming soon

Event: AP Summer Institute Scholarships

Where: **Select NC Universities** Date: **June—August, 2019**

Details—Coming in early March