

Georgia Department of Education's 2017 Advanced Placement Honor Schools

Total Number of 2017 AP Honor Schools*

59 AP Challenge Schools
65 AP Access and Support Schools
69 AP Merit Schools
204 AP STEM Schools
128 AP STEM Achievement Schools
149 AP Humanities Schools

*Definitions of Each Category

AP Challenge Schools

Schools with enrollments of 900 or fewer students and students testing in four of the core areas (English, math, science, and social studies)

AP Access and Support Schools

Schools with at least 30% of AP exams taken by students who identified themselves as African- American and/or Hispanic and 30% of all AP exams earning scores of 3 or higher

AP Merit Schools

Schools with at least 20% of the total student population taking AP exams and at least 50% of all AP exams earning scores of three (3) or higher

AP STEM Schools

Schools with students testing in at least two (2) AP math courses and two (2) AP science courses (AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics 1, AP Physics 2, AP Physics C, AP Computer Science A)

AP STEM Achievement Schools

Schools with students testing in at least 2 AP math courses and 2 AP science courses and at least 40% of exam scores on AP math and AP science exams earning scores of three (3) or higher

AP Humanities Schools

Schools with students testing in the following AP courses: at least one (1) ELA course, two (2) social science courses, one (1) fine arts course and one (1) world language course

In 2008, GaDOE began recognizing AP Honor Schools in the categories of Challenge, Access & Support, and Merit. In 2011, AP STEM and AP STEM Achievement categories were added. The AP Humanities category was added in 2015.

In 2016 GaDOE recognized:

61 AP Challenge Schools
49 AP Access and Support Schools
61 AP Merit Schools
199 AP STEM Schools
127 AP STEM Achievement Schools
125 AP Humanities Schools

In 2015 GaDOE recognized:

65 AP Challenge Schools
55 AP Access and Support Schools
57 AP Merit Schools
198 AP STEM Schools
121 AP STEM Achievement Schools
113 AP Humanities Schools

In 2014 GaDOE recognized:

61 AP Challenge Schools
50 AP Access and Support Schools
54 AP Merit Schools
183 AP STEM Schools
114 AP STEM Achievement Schools

In 2013 GaDOE recognized:

62 AP Challenge Schools
42 AP Access and Support Schools
47 AP Merit Schools
167 AP STEM Schools
106 AP STEM Achievement Schools

In 2012 GaDOE recognized:

48 AP Challenge Schools
41 AP Access and Support Schools
44 AP Merit Schools
147 AP STEM Schools
106 AP STEM Achievement Schools

In 2011 GaDOE recognized:

41 AP Challenge Schools
46 AP Access and Support Schools
38 AP Merit Schools
147 AP STEM Schools
80 AP STEM Achievement Schools

In 2010 GaDOE recognized:

42 AP Challenge Schools
39 AP Access and Support Schools
34 AP Merit Schools

In 2009 GaDOE recognized:

26 AP Challenge Schools
42 AP Access and Support Schools
27 AP Merit Schools

In 2008 GaDOE recognized:

24 AP Challenge Schools
40 AP Access and Support Schools
23 AP Merit Schools

**Enrollment data is based on October 2016 FTE figures.
AP Exam data for 10+ test-takers provided by College Board.*

