Georgia Department of Education's 2016 Advanced Placement Honor Schools

Total Number of 2016 AP Honor Schools*

- 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

*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 their 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 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 B, AP Physics C, AP Computer Science)

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 the exam scores on AP math and AP science exams earning scores of three (3) or higher.

AP Humanities Schools

Schools with students testing in all of the following AP courses: at least 1 ELA course, 2 social science courses, 1 fine arts course and 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 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 2015 FTE figures. May 2015 AP exam data provided by the College Board.