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All Five High Schools Named Advanced Placement Honor Schools Again

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – All five local high schools have been named 2019 Advanced Placement (AP) Honor Schools by State School Superintendent Richard Woods. Supt. Woods announced 230 AP Honor Schools in six categories on Feb. 8, 2019, based on the results of the 2018 AP courses and exams. Houston County's schools are included in four categories, as follows.

AP Access and Support Schools ~ 2 of 64 in the state

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. Northside High and Warner Robins High are 2019 Access and Support Schools.

AP STEM Schools ~ 5 of 200 in the state

This is the fifth consecutive year all five high schools have earned AP STEM School status. Schools with students testing in at least two AP math courses and two 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). All five of Houston County's high schools are 2019 AP STEM Schools ~ Houston County High, Northside High, Perry High, Veterans High and Warner Robins High.

AP STEM Achievement Schools ~ 3 of 128 in the state

Schools with students testing in at least two AP math courses and two AP science courses and at least 40 percent of the exam scores on AP math and AP science exams earning scores of three or higher. AP STEM Achievement Schools for 2019 are Houston County High, Perry High and Veterans High.

AP Humanities Schools ~ 4 of 142 in the state

Schools with students testing in all of the following AP courses: at least one ELA course, two social science courses, one fine arts course and one world language course. Humanities Schools for 2019 are Houston County High, Northside High, Veterans High and Warner Robins High.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Mark Scott said, "AP is the most rigorous academic opportunity available. We are very proud of our students, teachers and schools for this prestigious recognition. AP allows many of our students to earn college credit while still in high school. We commend our

students for their hard work, their parents who encourage them to do their absolute best and our devoted AP teachers who invest time in preparation and professional learning.”

In Houston County, the graduation rate for students who complete at least one AP course is 99 percent. AP classes and exams are administered by the College Board, which also administers the SAT. The AP courses are one of several ways Georgia students can access college-level learning while in high school. Students who score a 3, 4, or 5 on AP exams are often eligible to receive college credit.

Georgia Superintendent Woods said “It’s essential that we offer a robust set of opportunities to Georgia students, and Advanced Placement is an important part of that. I congratulate the educators and leaders who worked to create strong AP programs in these 230 Georgia schools, ultimately connecting students with high-level coursework and the opportunity to gain college credit.”

According to the GaDOE, Georgia’s Class of 2018 [ranked 16th in the nation for the percentage of students scoring 3, 4, or 5 on at least one AP exam during high school, and 13th in the nation for AP participation.](#) For more information about Houston County’s AP Program, please contact the Director of Gifted Education and AP Coordinator, Jan Jacobsen, at 478-988-6800, ext. 10393, or Jan.Jacobsen@hcbe.net.

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