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Over 140 Wisconsin schools recognized for student performance, participation in Advanced Placement coursework

MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction today, in partnership with the Wisconsin Advanced Placement Advisory Council, announced that 142 schools have received recognition for high participation and achievement on Advanced Placement exams.

The 2022 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Awards are unique to Wisconsin and represent a celebration of excellence from students across the state. AP courses provide students with the opportunity for challenging college-level work and potentially earning college credit while in high school. Awards are presented to schools that have high participation in AP courses and have high percentages of students who earn a score of three or higher on the AP exam and are therefore eligible for college credit.

The Pacesetter awards use data from the 2021-22 school year and are broken down into three levels, which are awarded based on the combination of the AP student participation rate as well as the percent of students earning a score of three or higher. Additional information on these criteria can be found [on the DPI's AP webpage](#).

Of the state's 421 public school districts, 332 offer AP courses and exams. However, of 1,987 public high schools within these districts, only 410 offer AP courses and exams, signifying patterns of inequity across the state. These inequities include a lack of educational opportunities, inadequate mental health supports and resources, an absence of investment in STEM education, and access to nutritious meals – all which support students' well-being and academic achievement. Access alone is not sufficient, as there is a need to further support learners and address these inequities to increase the levels of student participation and success in AP courses.

More information on AP in Wisconsin and the AP Pacesetter Awards [can be found on the DPI's website](#).

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NOTE: A full list of 2022 Advanced Placement Pacesetter award recipients, broken down by levels, follows this news release. This news release [is available online on the DPI's website](#).

2022 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Awardees

Level 1

*30% or more of all student participation in at least one AP exam
and 70% or more of those students earning scores of 3 or above on the exams.*

Arrowhead Union High School District
- Arrowhead High School

Cedarburg School District
- Cedarburg High School

Elmbrook School District
- Brookfield Central High School
- Brookfield East High Schools

Grafton School District
- Grafton High School

Hamilton School District
- Hamilton High School

Hudson School District
- Hudson High School

Kenosha Unified School District
- Kenosha Lakeview Technology
Academy

Kettle Moraine School District
- Kettle Moraine High School of
Health Sciences

Kimberly Area School District
- Kimberly High School

Mequon-Thiensville School District
- Mequon-Thiensville Homestead
High

Muskego-Norway School District
- Muskego High School

School District of New Berlin
- New Berlin Eisenhower
Middle/High School

Nicolet Union High School District
- Nicolet High School

School District of Waukesha
- Waukesha Engineering Prep.
Academy

Waunakee Community School District
- Waunakee High School

Wauwatosa School District
- Wauwatosa East High School

Whitefish Bay School District
- Whitefish Bay High School

2022 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Awardees

Level 2

*20% or more of all student participation in at least one AP exam
and 65% or more of those students earning scores of 3 or above on the exams.*

Appleton Area School District

- Appleton North High School
- Appleton Renaissance School
- Appleton Tesla Engineering Charter School

Ashwaubenon School District

- Ashwaubenon High School

School District of Belleville

- Belleville High School

Burlington Area School District

- Burlington High School

Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District

- Chippewa Falls High School

D.C. Everest Area School District

- D.C. Everest High School

Unified School District of De Pere

- De Pere High School

Eau Claire Area School District

- Eau Claire Memorial High School

Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District

- Elkhart Lake High School

Franklin Public School District

- Franklin High School

Germantown School District

- Germantown High School

Gibraltar School District

- Gibraltar High School

Greendale School District

- Greendale High School

Kettle Moraine School District

- Kettle Moraine Global School

Madison Metropolitan School District

- Madison Vel Phillips Memorial High School
- Madison West High School

School District of Marshfield

- Marshfield High School

School District of Menomonee Falls

- Menomonee Falls High School

Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District

- Middleton High School

Mount Horeb Area School District

- Mount Horeb High School

Mukwonago Area School District

- Mukwonago High School

School District of New Berlin

- New Berlin West Middle/High School

School District of Onalaska

- Onalaska High School

Oregon School District

- Oregon High School

Pewaukee School District

- Pewaukee High School

Platteville School District

- Platteville High School

Port Washington-Saukville School District

- Port Washington High School

Shorewood School District

- Shorewood High School

Slinger School District

- Slinger High School

Stoughton Area School District

- Stoughton High School

Waterford Union High School District

- Waterford High School

School District of Waukesha

- Waukesha West High School

School District of Waupaca

- Waupaca High School

Wauwatosa School District

- Wauwatosa West High School

West Bend School District

- West Bend East High School
- West Bend West High School

2022 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Awardees

Level 3

*10% or more of all student participation in at least one AP exam
and 60% or more of those students earning scores of 3 or above on the exams.*

School District of Altoona

- Altoona High School

Baldwin-Woodville Area School
District

- Baldwin-Woodville High School

Beaver Dam Unified School District

- Beaver Dam High School

Brillion Public School

- Brillion High School

School District of Cambridge

- Cambridge High School

Campbellsport School District

- Campbellsport High School

Cedar Grove-Belgium Area School
District

- Cedar Grove-Belgium High
School

Chequamegon School District

- Chequamegon High School

Chilton Public Schools

- Chilton High School

Columbus School District

- Columbus High School

D.C. Everest Area School District

- D.C. Everest Junior High School

Deerfield Community School
District

- Deerfield High School

Dodgeville School District

- Dodgeville High School

East Troy Community School
District

- East Troy High School

Eau Claire Area School District

- Eau Claire North High School

Edgerton School District

- Edgerton High School

Evansville Community School
District

- Evansville High School

Fennimore Community Schools

- Fennimore High School

Fort Atkinson School District
- Fort Atkinson High School

Freedom Area School District
- Freedom High School

Galesville-Ettrick-Trempealeau
School District
- Galesville-Ettrick-Trempealeau
High School

Grantsburg School District
- Grantsburg High School

Green Bay Area Public School
District
- Green Bay Preble High School
- Green Bay Southwest High
School

Hartford Union High School District
- Hartford High School

School District of Holmen
- Holmen High School

Hortonville Area School District
- Hortonville High School

Howard-Suamico School District
- Bay Port High School

Kenosha Unified School District
- Kenosha Indian Trail High
School

Kettle Moraine School District
- Kettle Moraine School for Arts

Kewaskum School District
- Kewaskum High School

Kickapoo Area Schools
- Kickapoo High School

Kohler School District
- Kohler High School

Lake Geneva-Genoa City Unified
High School District
- Lake Geneva-Genoa City Badger
High School

Lake Mills Area School District
- Lake Mills High School

Lakeland Union High School District
- Lakeland High School

Little Chute Area School District
- Little Chute Career Pathways
Academy

School District of Lodi
- Lodi High School

Luxemburg-Casco School District
- Luxemburg-Casco High School

School District of Manawa
- Manawa Little Wolf High School

McFarland School District
- McFarland High School

School District of Milton
- Milton High School

School District of Monroe
- Monroe High School

Mosinee School District
- Mosinee High School

Neenah Joint School District
- Neenah High School

New Glarus School District
- New Glarus High School

New Holstein
- New Holstein High School

New London School District
- New London High School

New Richmond School District
- New Richmond High School

Northland Pines School District
- Northland Pines High School

Oak Creek-Franklin Joint School District
- Oak Creek High School

Oconomowoc Area School District
- Oconomowoc High School

School District of Osceola
- Osceola High School

Oshkosh Area School District
- Oshkosh West High School

Parkview School District
- Parkview High School

Peshtigo School District
- Peshtigo High School

Prescott School District
- Prescott High School

Pulaski Community School District
- Pulaski High School

School District of Reedsburg
- Reedsburg Area High School

School District of River Falls
- River Falls High School

River Ridge School District
- River Ridge High School

River Valley School District
- River Valley High School

Rosendale-Brandon School District
- Rosendale-Brandon Laconia High School

Saint Croix Falls School District
- Saint Croix Falls High School

Sevastopol School District
- Sevastopol High School

School District of Shullsburg
- Shullsburg High School

Stevens Point Area Public School District
- Stevens Point Area Senior High School

Sun Prairie Area School District
- Sun Prairie Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School

Tomahawk School District
- Tomahawk High School

Tomorrow River Schools

- Tomorrow River Amherst High School

Union Grove Union High School District

- Union Grove High School

Valders Area School District

- Valders High School

Verona Area School District

- Verona Area High School

Viroqua Area Schools

- Viroqua High

Watertown Unified School District

- Watertown High School

School District of Waukesha

- Waukesha North High School
- Waukesha South High School

Wausau School District

- Wausau West High

West Allis-West Milwaukee School District

- W. Allis-W. Milwaukee Nathan Hale High School

School District of West De Pere

- West De Pere High School

Whitewater Unified School District

- Whitewater High School

Williams Bay School District

- Williams Bay High School

Wilmot Union High School District

- Wilmot High

Winneconne Community School District

- Winneconne High School

Wisconsin Heights School District

- Wisconsin Heights High School

Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools

- Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School

Wrightstown Community School District

- Wrightstown High School