

MEMORANDUM

July 8, 2010

TO: Board Members

FROM: Terry B. Grier, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP): CLASS OF 2010**

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The initial results from the Advanced Placement (AP) examinations have been released by the College Board. The Advanced Placement Program provides high school students with the opportunity to take college-level courses and earn college credit. AP exams are administered each year in May over a two-week period. There are a total of 37 AP exams offered in 22 subject areas. The AP grade scale ranges from 1 to 5, and a score of 3 or higher qualifies a student to earn advanced placement, college credit, or both.

The number of HISD students participating in AP exams at the high school level in 2010 was 8,591, an increase of 2,522 students from 2009 when 6,069 students took AP exams. The total number of exams taken by HISD students increased to 16,075 in 2010 from 11,594 in 2009, up by 28 percent, or 4,481 exams. The percent of exams scored at a 3 or higher was 38 percent, a decrease of 4 percentage points from 2009. At the middle school level, 280 students from 12 campuses took AP exams in the areas of Spanish Language, English Language and Composition, and World History. **Tables 1 and 2** depict 2010 and 2009 AP participation and performance data by campus and districtwide. State and global data are not yet available.

A full report analyzing AP exam data by course participation will be available by the end of August, with updated results and with state and global comparisons.

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Attachments

c:	Superintendent's Direct Reports	Tracye Wear
	Chief School Officers	Martha Salazar-Zamora
	School Improvement Officers	June Giddings
	High School Principals	
	Middle School Principals	

Table 1: HISD AP Participation and Number and Percent of Exams Scored at 3 or Higher: 2010				
School	N Students Taking AP Exams	N of Exams Taken	N Exams Scored at 3 or Higher	% Exams Scored 3+
Austin	381	596	102	17
Bellaire	838	2,539	2,128	84
Carnegie Vanguard	349	706	452	64
Challenge	157	189	114	60
Chavez	678	962	183	19
Davis	276	429	105	24
DeBakey	398	956	800	84
East Early College	56	68	14	21
Eastwood	210	381	121	32
Empowerment	27	28	10	36
Furr	215	335	50	15
Houston MST	285	543	52	10
HSLECJ	232	410	58	14
HSPVA	295	530	211	40
International Aca.	53	56	6	11
Int'l HS Sharpstown	111	149	8	5
Jones	45	45	*	*
Barbara Jordan	257	324	24	7
Kashmere	63	88	*	*
Lamar	60	61	23	38
Lee	269	616	177	29
Madison	296	436	23	5
Milby	270	528	120	23
Mt. Carmel Aca.	38	50	8	16
Reagan	267	448	94	21
Scarborough	79	150	26	17
Sharpstown	259	477	47	10
Sterling	27	27	*	*
Waltrip	255	502	129	26
Washington	159	344	15	4
Westbury	302	661	85	13
Westside	1,069	1,924	921	48
Wheatley	66	77	*	*
Worthing	101	140	5	4
Yates	148	300	*	*
HISD High Schools	8,591	16,075	6,112	38
Texas	NA			
Global	NA			

* Fewer than 5 students.

Table 1 Cont'd: HISD AP Participation and Number and Percent of Exams Scored at 3 or Higher: 2010

School	N Students Taking AP Exams	N of Exams Taken	N Exams Scored at 3 or Higher	% Exams Scored 3+
Attucks Middle	*	*	*	*
Burbank Middle	83	83	61	73
Clifton Middle	*	*	*	*
Cullen Middle	*	*	*	*
Energ. for STEM MS	59	59	*	*
Jackson Middle	8	8	*	*
Johnston Middle	27	27	22	81
Lanier Middle	19	19	17	89
Long Middle	45	45	28	62
Pershing Middle	*	*	*	*
Sharpstown Middle	17	17	15	88
West Briar Middle	17	17	16	94
HISD Mid. Schools	280	280	166	59

* Fewer than 5 students.

Source: The College Board Report Online Score Reports, updated July 2, 2010.

Table 2: HISD AP Participation and Number and Percent of Exams Scored at 3 or Higher: 2009				
School	N Students Taking AP Exams	N of Exams Taken	N Exams Scored at 3 or Higher	% Exams Scored 3+
Austin	215	347	56	16
Bellaire	870	2,559	2,133	83
Carnegie Vanguard	210	464	286	62
Challenge	79	84	49	58
Chavez	518	763	172	22
Davis	116	162	43	26
DeBakey	266	530	424	80
Eastwood	28	32	18	56
Empowerment	42	43	*	*
Furr	66	109	29	27
Houston	243	511	58	11
HSLECJ	130	179	45	25
HSPVA	200	367	204	56
International	5	5	*	*
Jones	23	23	*	*
Barbara Jordan	93	126	6	5
Kashmere	48	57	*	*
Lamar	37	37	14	38
Lee	280	572	144	25
Madison	282	435	22	5
Milby	199	442	83	19
Reagan	185	230	41	18
Scarborough	104	187	44	23
Sharpstown	206	401	74	18
Sterling	29	45	*	*
Waltrip	188	373	108	29
Washington	78	111	19	17
Westbury	265	539	55	10
Westside	865	1,601	768	48
Wheatley	87	135	12	9
Worthing	50	60	*	*
Yates	62	65	6	9
HISD High Schools	6,069	11,594	4,915	42
Texas	158,993	287,756	138,276	48
Global	1,691,905	2,929,929	1,725,168	59
Fondren Middle	37	37	14	38
Jackson Middle	13	13	7	54
Johnston Middle	27	27	22	81
Lanier Middle	34	34	30	88
Long Middle	50	50	41	82
Sharpstown Middle	13	13	13	100
HISD Mid. Schools	174	174	127	73

* Fewer than 5 students.

Source: The College Board Report.