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ALSDE / A+ College Ready Announce Cohort XV School List and Pathways to AP Excellence

Schools Now Have Multiple Ways to Participate in College/Career Ready Programs

Montgomery, Ala. – The Alabama State Department of Education, along with A+ College Ready, announces the Cohort XV schools/teachers selected to participate as A+ College Ready partners for the next three years. We have expanded our work and now offer Alabama schools *three different ways* to participate in our College and Career Readiness Program.

With Advanced Placement (AP) classes having the most applicants seen in the past decade, State Superintendent of Education, Dr. Eric Mackey, said realizing the academic potential in Alabama students, and the work done supporting enrollment and success in Advanced Placement, is always a priority. Mackey said having a multi-pronged approach to achieving excellence helps bolster greater outcomes in the long run.

"Having three avenues to assist with AP achievement; in high schools, middle schools, and a training and incentive aspect for educators helps us retain quality educators and recognize student achievement early," Mackey said. "We have a responsibility to extract our student's untapped potential. We know our students are ambitious and smart. We owe it to them to give them every possible advantage to achieve at the highest levels."

Tammy Dunn, Vice President of Academic Affairs with A+ College Ready, said increasing the reach of AP remains a consistent goal.

"It is always a joy to invite new schools to the A+ College Ready family. We are very optimistic about what can be accomplished for Alabama students as a result of our partnerships with these schools and teachers," Dunn said.

Here are the expanded ways in which AP excellence is sought:

 Advanced Placement Training & Incentive Program (APTIP)--this is our traditional program that has been offered in Alabama for fifteen years. This program allows a high school and its junior high/middle school feeder schools to partner with A+ College Ready to increase access to and success in Advanced Placement as well as to prepare a diverse pipeline of students prepared for rigorous coursework in high school.

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- Middle School Training & Incentive Program (MSTIP)--this partnership is modeled after the successful APTIP. This partnership focuses solely on a school with grades 6 8 with the purpose of raising academic rigor in the school, training and supporting teachers to facilitate challenging, yet scaffolded, instruction, and to measure student achievement and growth using the PSAT 8/9.
- Individual AP Teacher Training & Incentive Program (ITIP)--this is a partnership between A+ College Ready and an individual AP teacher from a school. The individual teacher is offered the benefits of the AP Training and Incentive Program. The purpose of this partnership is to help previous program schools keep trained teachers in AP classrooms when there is teacher turnover and to allow individual new teachers from schools that have never been part of the A+ College Ready program the opportunity to receive training and support as they begin their Advanced Placement teaching experience.

The list of schools and teachers coming into the fold this time are:

A+ College Ready Cohort XV school list AP Training & Incentive Program (APTIP) High Schools & Feeder Schools

(7-12)	Barbour County
	Alexander City
	Alexander City
	Chickasaw City
	Hartselle City
	Hartselle City
	Trussville City
	Blount County
	Elmore County
	(7-12)

Middle School Training and Incentive Program Schools (MSTIP)

Denton Magnet School of Technology	Mobile County
Jasper Jr. High School	Jasper City
JH Phillips Academy	Birmingham City
WJ Christian Middle School	Birmingham City
Zora Ellis Middle School	Talladega City
Parrish Middle School	Walker County
Valley Jr. High School	Walker County

Individual AP Teacher Training & Incentive Program (ITIP)

Teacher Name	School	AP Course
Pamela Nolin	Caroll	2-D Art & Design
Sommer Simpson	Helena	2-D Art & Design
DeLeisa Lowery	Helena	AP Biology
Kristie Cannon	Spain Park	AP Biology

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Ginger Rivers	Moody	AP Biology	
Robin Holley	Tallassee	AP Biology	
Sarah Sotrop	Helena	AP Environmental Science	
Christi Drury	Smiths Station	AP Environmental Science	
Keri Watson	ASCTE	AP Environmental Science	
Julie Summers	New Century	AP Calculus BC	
Matt Bohon	ASCTE	AP Calculus AB/BC	
Sarah Rupright	Moody	AP Statistics	
Kathy Williams	Fairhope	AP Statistics	
Kaitlyn Holloway	ASCTE	AP Statistics	
Jessica Sutherland	Vestavia Hills	AP Chemistry	
Brandi Ashmore	Buckhorn	AP Chemistry	
Steven Kerby	Austin	AP Chemistry	
Emily Pate	Sparkman	AP Chemistry	
Kate Miles	Beulah	AP Chemistry	
Jacqueline Thomas-Edwards	Mcadory	AP Chemistry	
Tiffany Greggs	Carroll	AP Chemistry	
Heather Hemming	Spanish Fort	AP Physics 1	
Richard Moreland	Huntsville	AP Physics 1	
Nick Wang	Pelham	AP Physics 1	
Nicole Dumas	Ramsey	AP Physics 1	
Kim Krome	ASCTE	AP Physics C Mechanics & E&M	
Erin Sutherland	New Century	AP Physics C Mechanics & E&M	
Elizabeth Clark	Huntsville	AP English Language	
Kimberly Drakeford	Park Crossing	AP English Language	
Johanna Angelo	Stanhope Elmore	AP English Language	
Kristy Winkes	West Point	AP English Language	
Deniese Burns	Baker	AP English Literature	
Kwan White	LAMP	AP English Literature	
Whitney Taylor	Ardmore	AP English Literature	
Amanda (Starr) Johnson	Elmore Co.	AP English Literature	
Jessy Bryan	ASCTE	AP English Literature	
Ansley Godwin	Carroll HS	AP Spanish Language and Culture	

Charter Nelson	A.P. Brewer	AP Computer Science Principles
Ashlee Washington	Jefferson Davis	AP Computer Science Principles
Nathan Renfro	Carroll	AP Computer Science Principles
Raymond Hare	Handley	AP Computer Science Principles
Jessica Kennedy	Leeds	AP Computer Science Principles
Tara Donald Walls	Center Point	AP Computer Science Principles
Tarvarris Gilbert	Accel Day and Evening academy	AP Computer Science Principles
Sherry Camp	Meek	AP Computer Science Principles
Mary Clair Wright	WP Davidson	AP Computer Science A
Pam McClendon	Riverchase Career Connection Center	AP Computer Science A
Mary Carter	Buckhorn High School	AP Computer Science A
Rachel Bobo	Ardmore	AP Government & Politics
Carlos Gillespie	Sparkman High	AP Macroeconomics
David Crabtree	Hoover High	AP Macroeconomics
Barb Waltsgott	Baker High	APGOPO/ AP MACRO Integrated
Casey Simmons	Pell City High	AP U. S. History
Dustin Roden	North Sand Mtn.	AP U. S. History
Kallee Knox	Minor	AP U. S. History
Daphne Davis	Tallassee	AP U. S. History
Joseph Suber	Carroll High	AP U. S. History
Alexander Mercieca	New Centruy Tech	AP World History
Maria Elyse Weeks	Fairhope	AP Psychology
Danika Ogunade	Carroll	AP Psychology
Joe Betterton	Austin	AP Psychology