



# Consolidated School District 158

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### District 158 Named to College Board's AP® District Honor Roll

HUNTLEY, IL – Consolidated School District 158 is among 547 school districts in the United States and Canada named to the 5th Annual AP® District Honor Roll, marking the third consecutive year District 158 has been honored on the list.

The honor is bestowed to districts for increasing access to AP course work while simultaneously maintaining or increasing the percentage of students earning scores of 3 or higher on AP Exams. The score of 3 is generally the minimum required to receive college credit.

“Being included on this list for three consecutive years is a validation of our commitment to providing students with a rigorous curriculum,” said District 158 Superintendent John Burkey. “This list shows not only that we are providing more access to AP classes, but also that our students are scoring considerably higher than many of our peers.”

District 158 is one of only two districts in McHenry County to receive the honor for the past three years.

Inclusion on the 5th Annual AP District Honor Roll is based on the examination of three years of AP data, from 2012 to 2014, looking across 34 AP Exams, including world language and culture. The following criteria were used:

- Increase participation/access to AP by at least 6 percent for “medium” districts
- Increase or maintain the percentage of exams taken by African American, Hispanic/Latino, and American Indian/Alaska Native students
- Improve performance levels when comparing the percentage of students in 2014 scoring a 3 or higher to those in 2012, unless the district has already attained a performance level at which more than 70 percent of its AP students are scoring a 3 or higher.

Last year, Huntley High School had 637 AP students, up 21 percent year-to-year. Those students took 1,081 AP tests, an increase of 14 percent. On 74 percent of those tests, students scored 3 or higher, compared to the state average of 66 percent.

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