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AP Scholars Increase in Stamford Public Schools

One hundred forty-seven students from Westhill High School, Stamford High School, and the Academy of Information Technology & Engineering were named AP Scholars, according to results of the Spring 2008 exams recently released by the College Board. The number of AP Scholars in Stamford Public Schools has more than doubled since the 2004-2005 school year.

AP Scholar is a designation earned by less than 20% of the more than one million high school students who take the AP exams. The breakdown of AP Scholars from Stamford Public Schools is as follows:

- 46% (68 students) were designated as **AP Scholars** for receiving grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams
- 16% (24 students) were designated as **AP Scholars with Honor** for receiving an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP exams and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams
- 35% (51 students) were designated as **AP Scholars with Distinction** for receiving an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams
- 1% (4 students) were designated **AP National Scholars** for receiving an average grade of at least 4 on all AP exams and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams

“This is a good example of how we are raising the bar for students in Stamford Public Schools,” said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Joshua Starr. “The fact that more students are taking AP courses and earning high scores reflects on the level of rigor and hard work our students and teachers bring to the classroom.”

Stamford Public Schools offers 24 AP courses, ranging from Art History to US Government and Politics. Six new AP courses were added for 2008-2009, including Calculus BC, Physics B, Environmental Science, Psychology, Microeconomics, and Computer Science (at AITE only).

