

AP Results for 1999 - 2010

AP: Overview

The Advanced Placement (AP) Program began in 1955 to provide students still in high school with the opportunity to take college-level courses.

The AP program consists of 37 college-level courses in over 22 subject areas. Students may, and often do, take more than one AP course during the school year. These elective courses prepare students for the AP examinations. Students who are successful on AP exams may meet certain college entrance requirements and/or earn college credit if they score well on these exams. Results of examinations are reported on a five-point scale:

- 5 – Extremely well qualified,
- 4 – Well qualified,
- 3 – Qualified,
- 2 – Possibly qualified,
- 1 – No recommendation.

In general, a score of three or higher on the AP exam is necessary for a student to be eligible for credit from participating colleges and universities.

AP: Results

In 2008, 313 students in Tacoma attempted a total of 477 AP exams. Therefore, the typical student took more than one exam, averaging 1.5 tests. Tacoma students attempted AP examinations in thirteen different subject areas.

More information regarding the AP including test dates and on-line registration:
<http://www.collegeboard.com/ap>

Course	Foss*	Lincoln	Mt Tahoma	Stadium	Wilson	Total
Art History		13				13
Biology			2		3	5
Calculus AB			16	29	10	55
Calculus BC				1		1
Chemistry	1		10	36	12	59
Eng Lang & Comp		20	65	45	55	185
Eng Lit & Comp		18	32	48	10	108
Environmental Sci			2			2
European History			27		1	28
Gov & Politics: US			29		6	35
Physics B				36		36
Psychology			1		1	2
Spanish Language				10		10
Statistics				12		12
United States History			41	55	30	126
World History	16	44	22		2	84
Total	17	95	247	272	130	761

* Foss has an International Baccalaureate (IB) program

Year	Number Students	Number Exams	Percent 3 or Above
1999	165	206	35%
2000	191	288	40%
2001	212	310	40%
2002	250	365	32%
2003	257	397	32%
2004	204	286	29%
2005	332	482	26%
2006	308	434	22%
2007	242	390	32%
2008	313	477	30%
2009	346	494	42%
2010	501	761	48%

AP Grades	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
5	13	3%	9	2%	13	3%	9	5%	33	7%	75	10%
4	49	10%	23	5%	49	10%	23	8%	70	14%	115	15%
3	62	13%	64	15%	62	13%	64	18%	106	21%	175	23%
College Credit Eligible	124	26%	96	22%	124	26%	96	32%	206	42%	365	48%
2	141	29%	157	36%	141	29%	157	30%	135	27%	204	27%
1	217	45%	181	42%	217	45%	181	38%	153	31%	192	25%
Number of Students	332		308		242		313		346		501	
Ratio: Exams per Student	1.5		1.4		1.6		1.5		1.4		1.5	