



A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN

A large background image showing a group of graduates in black gowns and caps, celebrating with their arms raised and caps tossed into the air against a clear blue sky.

AP Access for ALL Impact Report Spring 2022



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What a year!

As we near the closing of our first year in the AP Access for ALL program, I am continually impressed by the great work of the APAA administrative team, our state partners, online teachers, school systems, and most importantly, our online students.

We are excited to share the growth in AP throughout all regions of Tennessee this year. School systems in First Tennessee, Upper Cumberland, and the Northwest averaged almost 75% of their high schools enrolling students with us, some of those students accessing AP courses for the first time. During this time, East Tennessee, the Southeast, and South Central regions averaged a 70% growth in the number of AP course offerings after integrating our courses into their class offerings. Finally, even our most populated areas of the state, Mid Cumberland and the Southwest, used this opportunity to make sure they were effectively supporting their students. These regions saw a 90% average growth of online AP enrollments from the fall semester to the spring semester!

As the data here is reviewed, we also hope close attention is paid to the teachers and students who are highlighted throughout. These quotes and pictures drive us at the Niswonger Foundation, from students speaking of their supportive teacher who lives across the state to their thoughts and gratefulness on how this new opportunity will prepare them for college. They also show how this program does not just help one type of student, or students from one type of school, but all students across the state, in schools large and small.

Again, it has been an outstanding experience to collaborate with so many individuals as they worked diligently to improve this program and allow students this opportunity. We now look ahead to the continued development and expansion of this program that gives the opportunity of Advanced Placement courses to ALL.



"The Niswonger Foundation has allowed me to take a class that has never been offered at my high school. I know this will help me when I start college and I'm so thankful for that."

-12th grade student

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2021-22 By the Numbers



192

**Schools with
Enrollments**

105%

Increase in Enrollments from
Fall to Spring



15

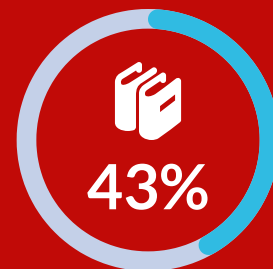
**AP Courses
Offered**

Added Calculus BC in spring.
Physics 1, Spanish Language, &
French Language are under
course development.



1,806

**Number of
enrolled students**



of TN schools
enrolled students



97

Teachers

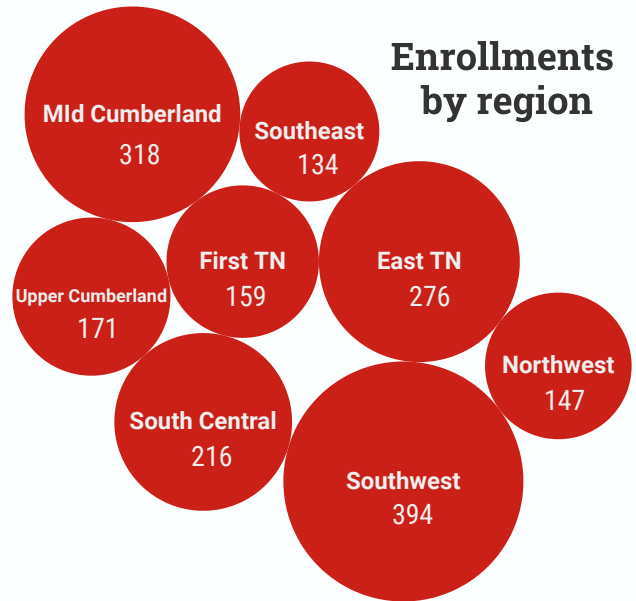
Currently teaching 100
sections in 15 subject
areas.

Spring Enrollment Data

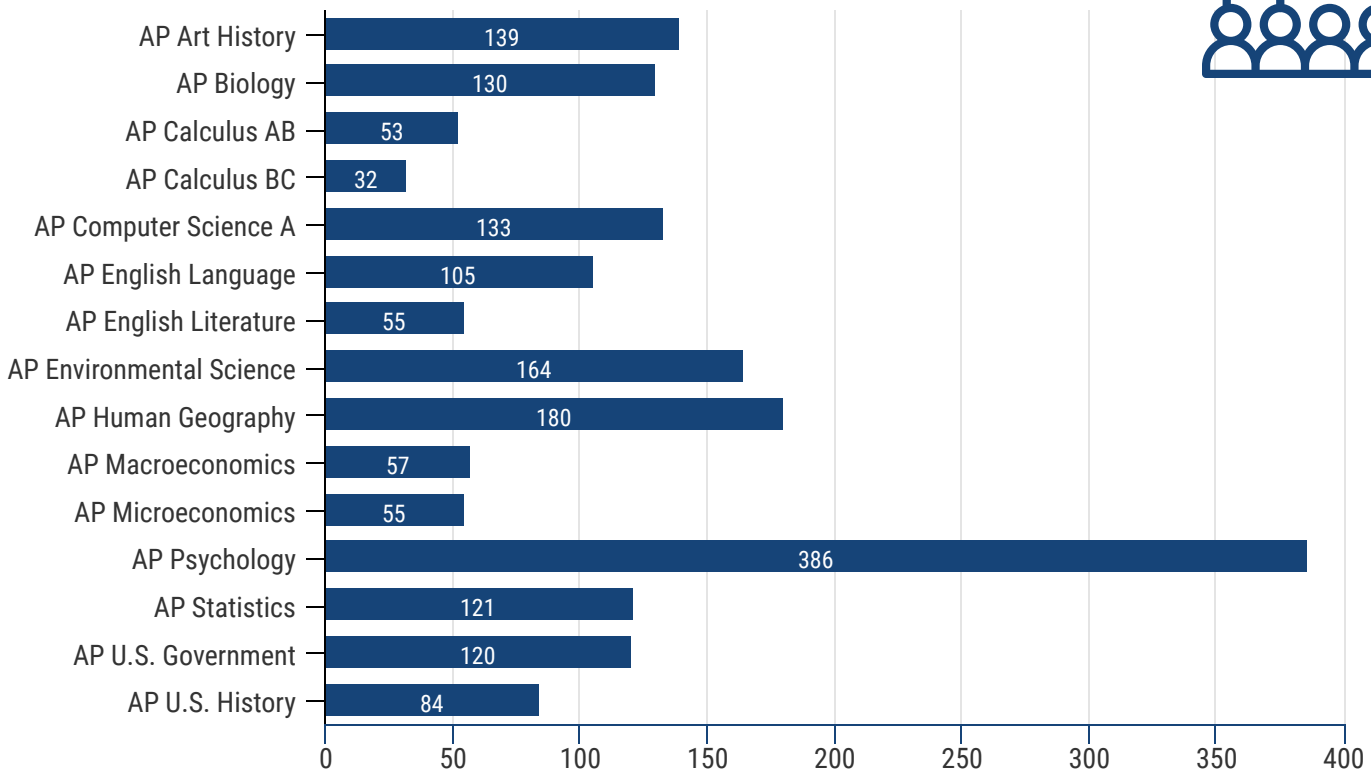
Spring enrollment brought a 52% growth in the number of schools enrolling students from the the fall to the spring semester. Most regions had significant growth in enrollments.

The new addition to our spring course offerings was AP Calculus BC with 32 new students enrolling.

Enrollments by region



Enrollments 2022-23 per AP Course



Achievements

Throughout the current school year, the AP Access for ALL team has accomplished more than anticipated. We exceeded our first-year goal of 85% by partnering with just under 90% of all school systems.

With these partnerships, we saw extensive growth of AP enrollment in rural and underserved districts. For example, the Upper Cumberland Region has 20 of 24 schools participating, with enrollments in 14 AP courses. The East Tennessee region saw an 88% growth in the number of AP course offerings. Finally, 70% of partnering schools in the Northwest have enrolled students this year.



"Before AP Access for ALL, I had access to one AP course at my school, which no longer exists. Because of AP Access for ALL, I am now able to access a greater variety of AP courses than I once was."

- Joshua Hood, Brainerd High School



"The AP Summer Institute I attended through Niswonger was one of the most beneficial opportunities I've attended in a while. Having an instructor who is involved in writing the AP exam allowed me to review the content I've been teaching for so many years through the lens of the exam."

- AP Access for ALL Teacher, Hamblen County Schools

APAA Timeline

2021-22



- Enrollments from 66 new high schools for the spring semester
- Added 46 teachers and 54 sections across 15 AP courses
- Registered 500+ teachers for AP Summer Institute
- Offered Mini Grant opportunities to all AP teachers across the state
- Assisted schools in AP Exam orders
- Opened 2022-23 enrollment with 18 AP courses

2022-23



- Hire additional AP teachers
- Will offer second Mini Grant opportunity for AP teachers across the state
- AP course content review and updates
- Presenting at various conferences for CTE, College Board, Future of Education & Technology, and Digital Learning Annual Conference

Making a Difference Across Tennessee



"I enjoy that I can do it after hours where it fits into my schedule. I don't have to squeeze it in, or take away from other classes."

- **Austin Miller**, West Greene High School



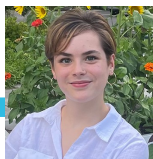
"I signed up to take an online AP class because I wanted to break the stigma that students that have agricultural/vocational backgrounds are not intelligent."

- **Celisity Bradley**, White County High School



"I would highly recommend the AP online class experience for anyone who is up for refining their academic abilities and time-management skills."

- **Steven Cope**, Cascade High School



"I feel like I'm learning a lot and it's definitely pushing me out of my comfort zone, but it helps so much that our teacher is there and we have so many resources."

- **Sadie Kiel**, T-STEM East High School



"I have enjoyed getting to know new students in other areas of the state and hearing about how this class will help them achieve their life goals."

- **Christi Ridley**, AP Environmental Science, Sevier County, TN

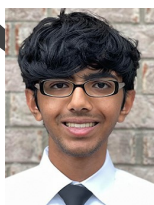


"With AP Access for ALL, I am learning better how to be a coach, helping students to access the myriad of resources available to them and diagnosing areas for remediation and strengthening."

- **Dave Burgin**, AP Micro & Macroeconomics, Johnson City, TN

"I would encourage others to take an AP class online because it is a great way to overcome any scheduling issues at school."

- **Rudra Patel**, Hillwood High School




"Taking an AP course, especially online, helps me develop essential skills needed for college, like time management and being consistent in my work."

- **Maggie Irwin**, Clinton High School






Reflections and Intentions for 2022-23



"My AP psychology class does not feel like an online course at all. There is amazing use of hands on and engaging material that connects students from all across the state."

Abagael Hicks
Jefferson County High School



"Abagael is a wonderful student who NEVER gives less than 110%. I enjoy reading every assignment she turns in because it reminds me why I teach.

Students like her challenge me to be a better educator.
I am so blessed to have her in my APAA course"

Casey Sutherland
Johnson County High School, AP Psychology

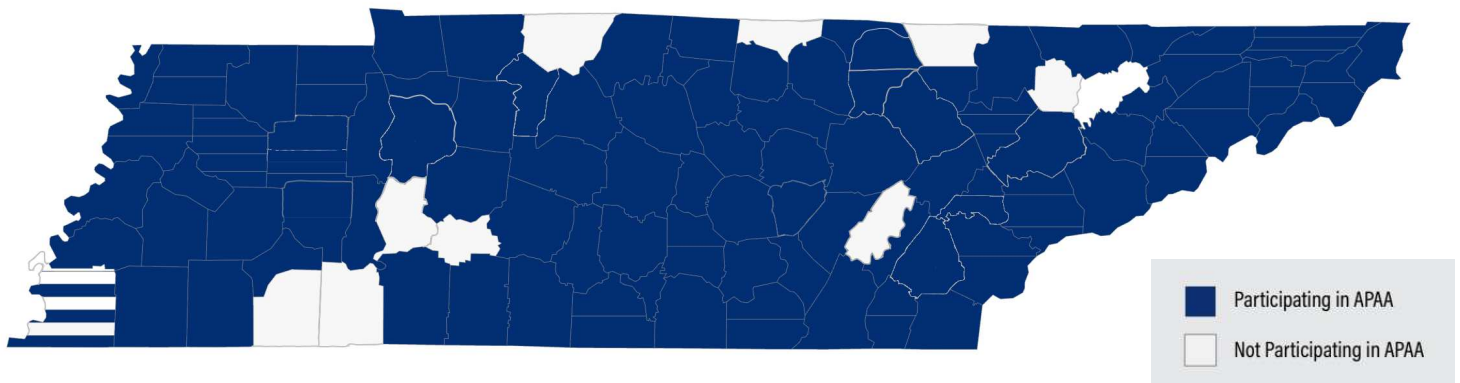
Our intent is for...

- systems to understand that AP compliments DE and provides another option for students to achieve their goals.
- counselors to be trained in identifying qualified students to participate in AP Classes.
- middle school counselors and educators to be knowledgeable of the AP Access for All program pathway.
- continued development of quality, rigorous AP courses that will enable student success on AP Exam.
- long lasting relationships to be cultivated with schools and districts.
- AP cohorts across the state to be supported in schools and online.



Next on the calendar...

- **April 1-** Mini-grant applications due
- **May 2nd** - Mini-grant award notifications
- **May 2nd-13th** - AP Test administration
- **May 13th** - Last day of AP courses
- **July** - AP scores released
- **Aug 15th** - Online AP courses begin



Don't see your system on the map? You can still participate!
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