

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Work Session

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SUBJECT/TOPIC

WCPSS Advanced Placements Results, 2012-13

DEPARTMENT, BOARD/STAFF LIAISON(S), AND ANY PRESENTERS FROM OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT

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BACKGROUND

Staff will share the latest results related to Advanced Placement (AP) course enrollment and testing in WCPSS. Results indicate that students in Wake County Public Schools (WCPSS) continue to score well on AP exams with an increased percentage of students enrolling in the courses. As in past years, in 2013 the district had higher average AP exam scores compared to the state and the nation. WCPSS had 76.6% of scores 3 or higher in 2013 (qualified and above). Environmental Science, English Language & Composition, Psychology, and Statistics continue to be the most popular AP courses. Schools can use the data in this report to benchmark themselves against their own past performance as well as their peers across the district. Encouraging more students to participate in AP classes and take the exams, in addition to other high-level coursework, should help WCPSS graduates be college and career-ready.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

SAVINGS

N/A

NEXT STEPS / RECOMMENDATIONS

