

Kingsway's Commitment to AP Courses Drives 37% Growth in Enrollment

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Woolwich Twp. – The Kingsway Regional School District is proud to announce a significant increase in student participation in <u>Advanced</u>



<u>Placement (AP) courses</u> and exams. For the 2024-25 school year, AP course enrollment has climbed to 2,183 seats, representing a 37% increase from the 1,375 seats filled during the 2022-23 school year. Additionally, AP exam registrations have risen by 46%, from 627 in 2022-23 to 913 this year.

This growth reflects Kingsway's dedication to fostering academic excellence by providing students with opportunities to challenge themselves with rigorous, college-level coursework. The district continues to prioritize identifying and encouraging students with the potential to succeed in AP courses, ensuring equitable access for students of all backgrounds.

"Over the years, we have made expanding access to AP courses and supporting student success a priority at Kingsway," said Dr. James J. Lavender, Superintendent. "Our team's efforts to open doors for more students reflect our commitment to preparing them for success in college and beyond."

Advanced Placement courses prepare students for the rigor of higher education while enhancing their learning experience. Research consistently shows that students who participate in AP courses are better equipped to thrive in college. College admissions officers often recognize AP coursework as a strong indicator of academic readiness.

"Success in Advanced Placement is a combination of students' own motivation and the opportunities we provide for them," said Patricia Calandro, Assistant Superintendent. "We are

inspired by the upward trend in participation and the pathways we continue to create for students of all backgrounds to gain access to AP courses at Kingsway."

Kingsway remains committed to addressing national disparities in AP participation and performance among underrepresented groups. Persistent gaps in AP enrollment and exam success highlight the need for continued efforts to promote access and equity. Kingsway's initiatives aim to remove barriers and create pathways for all motivated students to excel.

The district celebrates its teachers, school counselors, school leaders, and the AP Roundtable team for their tireless work in supporting student achievement. For more information about Kingsway's AP offerings and to learn how the program continues to grow, watch <u>Kingsway's</u> <u>Advanced Placement Courses</u> informational video.

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About the Kingsway Regional School District

Kingsway is a limited-purpose regional school district that offers its students a rigorous academic program and a myriad of enrichment programs and services for students in grades 7 to 12. Kingsway Regional Middle School (grades 7 to 8) and Kingsway Regional High School (grades 9 to 12) cater to the individual needs of our students and promote opportunities for students to pursue their own areas of interest. Our population of nearly 3,000 students is multicultural and reflects the diversity of the communities it serves. Its mission is to ensure that all students receive rigorous and engaging instructional experiences that promote high levels of student achievement, including those with diverse learning needs. To learn more visit the District's website at www.krsd.org.