

## Summary of Minnesota Schools in Newsweek's "1,200 Top U.S. Schools"

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Public schools are ranked according to a ratio, devised by Jay Mathews, that is the number of Advanced Placement and/or International Baccalaureate tests taken by all students at a school in 2005 divided by the number of graduating seniors. All of the schools on the list have an index of at least 1.000; they are in the top 5 percent of public schools measured this way. If you have 2005 data showing that your school should be on this list, please contact Mathews at [challenge@washpost.com](mailto:challenge@washpost.com). E and E % stands for equity and excellence percentage: the portion of all graduating seniors at a school that had at least one passing grade on one AP or IB test.

Rank	School	Location	State	Index	FRL %	E and E %
186	Edina	Edina	Minn.	2.545	8	n/a
260	Southwest **	Minneapolis	Minn.	2.306	37	2.5
327	St. Louis Park **	St. Louis Park	Minn.	2.1	23	33.9
522	Minnetonka *	Minnetonka	Minn.	1.717	n/a	n/a
589	Patrick Henry	Minneapolis	Minn.	1.648	74.8	n/a
622	Eastview	Apple Valley	Minn.	1.612	6	41.3
742	Highland Park **	St. Paul	Minn.	1.456	48	n/a
759	Mounds View	Arden Hills	Minn.	1.439	7	n/a
768	Lyle	Lyle	Minn.	1.429	51	n/a
875	Lakeville North	Lakeville	Minn.	1.33	2	21.5
902	Brainerd	Brainerd	Minn.	1.314	28	29.4
913	Wayzata	Plymouth	Minn.	1.305	12.4	33.1
922	St. Anthony Village	St. Anthony	Minn.	1.295	12.6	34.6
1021	Mahtomedi	Mahtomedi	Minn.	1.2	2.5	27.4
1039	Como Park	St. Paul	Minn.	1.181	n/a	n/a
1047	Robbinsdale Armstrong	Plymouth	Minn.	1.178	21	25.7
1109	Hopkins	Minnetonka	Minn.	1.118	15	n/a
1141	Robbinsdale Cooper **	New Hope	Minn.	1.081	31	n/a
1196	Irondale	New Brighton	Minn.	1.03	24	32.2

\*Gave just IB tests.

\*\*Gave both IB and AP tests. AP and IB participation are indicators of a school's efforts to get students to excel and prepare for college.