

Summary of Minnesota Schools in Newsweek's "1,300 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 2006 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 2006 data showing that your school should be on this list, please contact Mathews at 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.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>FRL %</u>	<u>E&E %</u>
93	Edina	Edina	Minn.	3.44	8.5	51.1
146	Southwest *	Minneapolis	Minn.	2.924	37	20.9
370	Como Park	St. Paul	Minn.	2.162	62	18
393	St. Louis Park *	St. Louis Park	Minn.	2.12	24	35.9
447	St. Anthony Village	St. Anthony	Minn.	2.008	10	44.7
494	Minnetonka *	Minnetonka	Minn.	1.922	4	40
613	Patrick Henry **	Minneapolis	Minn.	1.758	n/a	31
683	Mahtomedi	Mahtomedi	Minn.	1.676	1	40
698	Eastview	Apple Valley	Minn.	1.65	7	41.6
	Robbinsdale					
787	Armstrong	Plymouth	Minn.	1.557	16	24.6
974	Brainerd	Brainerd	Minn.	1.36	28	27.7
995	Stillwater Area	Stillwater	Minn.	1.337	7.5	31.3
1006	Wayzata	Plymouth	Minn.	1.315	18	33.2
1045	Highland Park *	St. Paul	Minn.	1.275	49	26
1143	South	Minneapolis	Minn.	1.188	36	n/a
1156	Irondale	New Brighton	Minn.	1.176	21.7	20.2
1194	Hopkins	Minnetonka	Minn.	1.14	17	30.6
1284	Eden Prairie	Eden Prairie	Minn.	1.057	n/a	21.9
1330	Saint Paul Harding **	Saint Paul	Minn.	1.022	76	27
1346	Lyle	Lyle	Minn.	1	47	21

*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.