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# Baton Rouge High Leads Louisiana

by Charles Lussier

Baton Rouge Magnet High School led the way in Louisiana this past year (2017) when it came to Advanced Placement with more students taking the college placement exams and more scoring well enough to potentially earn college credit than any other public high school in the state. Baton Rouge Magnet easily outpaced perennial frontrunner, Ben Franklin High School, in New Orleans. A student needs to score at least a 3 to earn credit at colleges and universities in Louisiana and at many nationwide. Scores on AP exams range from 1 to 5 and they are given in 38 subjects.

A total of 483 students at Baton Rouge’s flagship public high school scored a 3 or better during the 2016-17 school year. That’s 24 more than Ben Franklin and 92 more than Baton Rouge had the year before. Ben Franklin still came out far better than Baton Rouge Magnet High in the percentage of test-takers who earn 3s and above, with 84 percent at the New Orleans high school versus 54 percent at the Baton Rouge school. Also, about half of all 945 students who attended Ben Franklin last year earned a 3 or above; only a third of Baton Rouge Magnet’s 1,473 students managed to do the same.

Other south Louisiana schools that did well in terms of the number of students earning 3 and above on AP exams were Lafayette High School in Lafayette, 256; Lusher Charter School in New Orleans, 227; Dutchtown High in Geismar, 194; Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies in Metairie, 185; Live Oak High School in Watson, 182; and Zachary High School in Zachary, 177. All of those, except Lafayette High and Lusher, had more high scoring AP students than the year before. Dutchtown High was the fastest growing of the group with 35 more students this past year earning 3s and above compared to the year before.

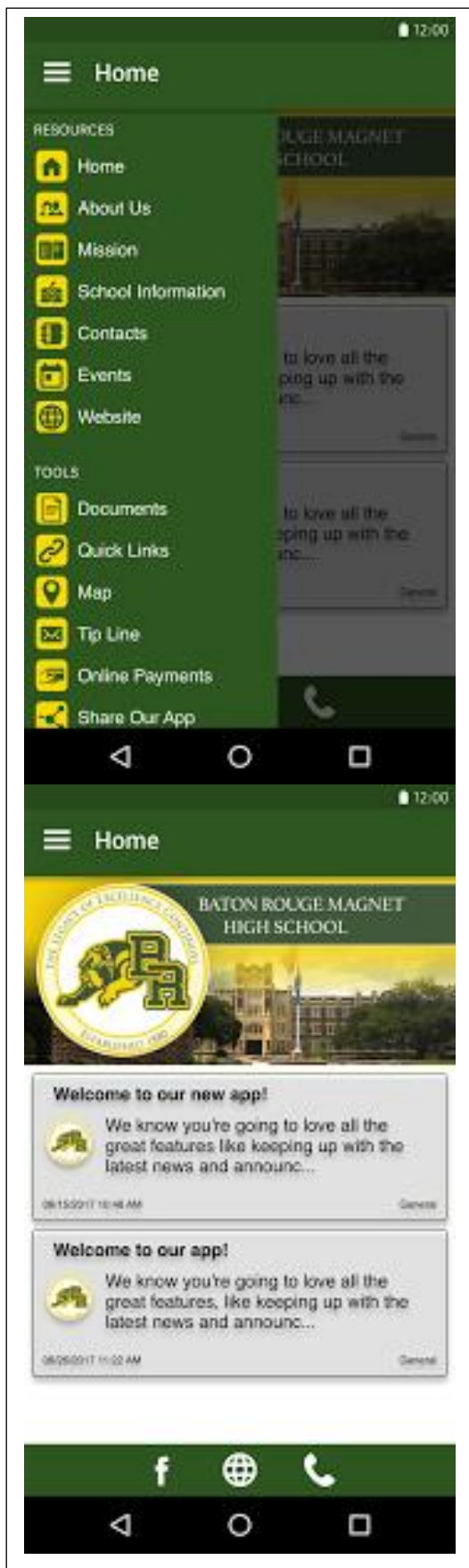
“We were working towards being the top AP school in the state,” McCann said.



## BRMHS Named Louisiana AP Program of Distinction

At the Joint Meeting of the Board of Regents and BESE on June 21, Baton Rouge High School was named the 2017 Louisiana AP Program of Distinction for Overall AP Exam Performance. Baton Rouge High School leads the state in both AP Exams administered and qualifying scores of 3 or higher.

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## BDAAP

### Bull Dogs Academic Assistance Program

- BDAPP is an **intervention program** intended to assist those ninth graders who are struggling academically.
- Individual teachers, PLC teams, Ms. Banks, and Ms. Fortenberry will identify students who are not succeeding in our core program, and we will provide these students with additional time and support after school.
- Monitoring the progress of all ninth graders will be ongoing throughout the year, and individual student intervention needs will be revised every 2-3 weeks.

Intervention is data-driven based on standards-based instruction.

**Teachers Involved:**  
 Ms. Kimberlyn Denson – Coordinator  
 World Geography Teacher

Mrs. Tiffany Banks  
 Ninth Grade Counselor

Mrs. Carol Dollar  
 English Teacher

Mr. Donald Johnson  
 Math Teacher

Mrs. Rebecca Blanchard  
 Science Teacher

Mrs. Kristin Bumgardner  
 Human Geography AP Teacher

Mrs. Georgia Cutrone  
 Spanish Teacher

Ms. Yuri Weydling  
 Latin Teacher

More to come....

### Dates to Remember

August 25- Get Acquainted Dance 8-11:30  
 August 26-SAT  
 August 30-Sept 1-Club Sign Up Days

September 4-No School  
 September 5-School Picture Day  
 September 9- ACT  
 September 9-Swim Meet 8:00 AM  
 September 20-Early Dismissal  
 September 20-Deadline to pay for PSAT  
 September 20-End of the First 6 Weeks  
 September 21-Josten’s Senior Supplies  
 September 21-Dr. Coto’s Spanish Activity  
 September 23-Swim Meet 12 Noon  
 September 30-Swim Meet 12 Noon

October 1- Josten’s Meeting  
 October 2-Choir Concert  
 October 3-Josten’s  
 October 6-InService Day  
 October 7-SAT  
 October 7-Swim Meet 8:00 AM  
 October 9-No School  
 October 11-PSAT \$16  
 October 12-13-Talented Drama 4 Play  
 October 14- NMSI  
 October 17-Festival Singers Fall Concert  
 October 27 Fall Fair  
 October 26-27-Talented Drama Play  
 October 28-ACT  
 October 28-29 Swim Meet

November 1-End of Second Six Weeks  
 November 4-SAT  
 November 9-11-Fall Play “The Curious Savage”  
 November 17-STEM Day  
 December 2-SAT  
 December 5-Christmas Choral Concert  
 December 5-Junior Ring Orders  
 December 9-ACT  
 December 11-Orchestra Winter Concert  
 December 12-Panoramic Picture  
 December 14-Exams  
 December 15-Exams  
 December 18-Exams  
 December 18-End of First Semester

