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Monroe County School District 2010-2011 Advanced Placement Scores Released

KEY WEST, FL - The Monroe County School District is pleased to announce the release of the 2010-2011 Advanced Placement Score Reports. The Advanced Placement program provides students with rigorous coursework which aligns with college-level standards. Students participate in a nation-wide assessment to determine mastery of college-level course work. Students achieving a score of three or higher are eligible to receive college credit for the course.

Monroe County High Schools, in response to state expectations for increased rigor at the high school level, increased the level of participation with an impressive **442** more AP tests administered in 2011 than 2010. This represents a **48%** increase from 2010.

The Advanced Placement Program offered by The College Board is considered a pathway to college success. Monroe County's three high schools provided 669 students (Several students take multiple tests) the opportunity to participate in the Advanced Placement experience which correlates with positive college or post secondary outcomes.

Coral Shores High School led the district with the percentage of students scoring three or above at 49% in 2011, above the state average.

Key West High School showed the largest increase in the number of AP tests administered with 289 more tests taken in 2011 compared to 2010.

Marathon High School achieved outstanding success, with 43% of graduating seniors scoring a three or higher on at least one AP exam during their four years of high school.

The Monroe County School District celebrates the accomplishments of all three high schools and recognizes the persistence and dedication of its students and teachers. Dr. Jesus Jara, Interim Superintendent, applauds the continued commitment to academic excellence. Dr. Jara said, "The AP experience provides our students with the most rigorous college-level curriculum offered in our school district. While, I am proud of their accomplishments, I am equally pleased so many of our students are challenging themselves to excel in the most demanding academic experience."

Please see the Keysschools.com website for additional information.

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