



University View Academy one of the top five high schools with improved student pass rates in Advanced Placement exams

Dr. Lonnie Luce, University View Academy Superintendent, applauded high school students in his 2300-seat K-12 public online charter for having one of the state's five highest growth rates passing the Advanced Placement exams required to earn college credits while in high school.

University View Academy logged one of the top five growth rates in the state between 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years among students successfully passing the AP exams in various subjects such as math, science and English. A student must score a 3, 4 or 5 to earn college credit in any Louisiana higher education institution and be eligible to "test out" of entry level college courses as they pursue advanced degrees.

University View students taking the AP exams had a 20 percent pass rate increase between the two comparative years, while the state pass rate increase for the same time period was 10 percent. The highest rate of score increase was 25.3 percent. Schools with higher pass improvement rates are West Monroe High, Magnet Academy for Cultural Arts, David Thibodaux STEM Magnet, and West Ouachita High.

For the last year reported, 60 percent of University View Academy's test takers passed their AP exam. The Louisiana Department of Education [released an analysis of all high schools taking the AP exams](#) as part of a five-year analysis of the program in the state. Student participation in the program has increased each year.

"Our students are here to focus on building their success as contributing adults. Our staff is here to underscore that every enrolled student will be educated. Our team approach between students, staff, and parents is that everyone has a responsibility to step up to the plate to achieve this purpose," said Dr. Luce.

The 2017-2018 school year will be the first year University View Academy high school students will be able to enroll in an Early College Program, which allows the University View Academy senior to graduate with two years of accredited courses towards a four-year college diploma in Louisiana or a full Associates Degree from a Louisiana community college.

"This announcement about AP scores shows our school community is ready for the unique role in serving Louisiana families," said Dr. Luce.

University View Academy, formerly known as Louisiana Connections Academy, offers a free, public K-12 education completely online to any student in any parish of Louisiana. Enrollment is still available for the 2017-2018 school year for all grades, but spots are limited. For more information, call (225) 421-2900 or visit www.UniversityView.Academy

ABOUT UNIVERSITY VIEW ACADEMY University View Academy, formerly operating as Louisiana Connections Academy, is the state's leading provider of high-quality, free public online charter schooling for grades K through 12. University View allows students to learn and excel at their own pace, with individualized instruction by Louisiana certified teachers, while offering families the support and flexibility they seek to fit their lifestyles. At University View Academy, students embrace technology, flourish through innovation, and seek empowerment to become their best self. As an online charter school, students access their lessons anytime, anywhere with a computer offered by the school. The school is headquartered at the Russell J. Henderson Building, 4664 Jamestown Avenue, but accepts students from any parish in the State of Louisiana.