

YES College Prep: Only Houston School Ranked in Newsweek's Top 100 High School List



The Best of The Bunch

NEWSWEEK's list of America's top high schools honors those institutions that do the most to help regular kids prepare for college work. This year

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their children. Identical yearnings at the other end of the economic spectrum have brought an AP emphasis to low-income students at public charter schools like the southeast Houston campus of the **YES College Preparatory Schools**. At YES, nobody gets a diploma without taking at least one AP course and being accepted by at least one four-year college. Simi-

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AT THE HEAD OF THE CLASS

Public schools are ranked according to a ratio devised by Jay Mathews: 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. For a list of every school scoring more than 1,000, see Newsweek.com.

RANKING		RATIO	% FREE LUNCH†
83	Booker T. Washington,** Tulsa, Okla.	3.387	34.0
84	Spruce Creek,** Port Orange, Fla.	3.386	12.0
85	McLean, Va.	3.377	6.0
86	Warwick,** Newport News, Va.	3.354	38.0
87	YES College Prep, Houston	3.329	75.0
88	Blind Brook, Rye Brook, N.Y.	3.325	0.0
89	Palm Harbor Univ.,** Fla.	3.250	7.0