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**DCSD Commits to Continuing AP African American Studies In Its Schools;
Superintendent Says It Reflects Community’s Diverse History and Culture**

(STONE MOUNTAIN, GA)— Today, DeKalb County School District (*DCSD*) Superintendent Dr. Devon Q. Horton reaffirmed the District’s dedication to providing high-quality educational experiences for its students, highlighting its continuing measures to support the Advanced Placement (*AP*) African American Studies course.

“We are committed to locally funding the necessary resources to ensure our students can benefit from AP African American Studies. This includes preparing our teachers through appropriate training, investing in instructional materials, and assisting with AP testing fees,” Dr. Horton said.

“Throughout my professional career, I have explained that students don’t fail; the systems fail our students. Our goal and responsibility must be to offer our students a comprehensive and inclusive education that reflects our community's diverse history and culture.”

DCSD will offer AP African American Studies in four of its high schools during the 2024-25 school year. One hundred fifty-one students are currently enrolled.

DCSD High School	Number of Students
Arabia Mountain HS	82
Dunwoody HS	26
Lakeside HS	43
Towers HS	New Enrollment Pending
Current Totals	151

DCSD remains dedicated to a diverse and inclusive curriculum that honors African American history and contributions.

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