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All Blue Valley high schools named to *Newsweek*'s list of top U.S. high schools

All four Blue Valley high schools were recently named to a list of America's top 1,500 public high schools compiled by *Newsweek*. Blue Valley High, Blue Valley North, Blue Valley Northwest and Blue Valley West accounted for four of six Kansas high schools making the list.

"We are extremely proud that all of our high schools have been recognized by *Newsweek* as being a part of the best in the U.S. for the third year in a row," said Superintendent Tom Trigg. "This is a reflection of our students, who challenge themselves, and our staff, who set high expectations and provide personalized learning and support that goes beyond expectations."

The school ranking system was devised by *Newsweek* staff, and takes into account the number of Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and/or Cambridge tests taken by all students at a school in 2008. That number is then divided by the number of graduating seniors. All the schools on the list are within the top 6 percent of schools ranked in this manner.

This is the third year in a row that all Blue Valley high schools made the list.

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