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Amador Valley & Foothill High Schools Ranked Top 100 In State by U.S News and World Report

Pleasanton, California— The Pleasanton Unified School District is pleased to announce the 2014 Gold Medal designation of Amador Valley and Foothill High Schools by *U.S. News and World Report* in its annual list of the nation's best public high schools.

U.S. News & World Report ranks Amador Valley High School at No. 46 in California and No. 256 nationally and Foothill High School as No. 64 in California and No. 327 nationally. The magazine collected data on more than 19,400 public high schools in 50 states and the District of Columbia. Nearly 600 California schools were ranked for the magazine's prestigious list.

"We are very proud of this recognition as this is a testament to current and former students, teachers, parents and staff members," Foothill Principal Jason Krolikowski said. "We will continue to challenge ourselves through a lens of continuous learning and school connectedness where everyone is valued and appreciated."

Amador Principal Dr. Thomas Drescher echoed those sentiments, "This amazing accomplishment speaks directly to the collective commitment to excellence by the students, teachers, staff, and parent community at Amador Valley."

The rankings were calculated by looking at student performance on state-mandated standardized tests, evaluating how effectively schools educated black, Hispanic and economically disadvantaged students, and performance on Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams to determine the degree to which schools prepare students for college-level work.

The PUSD rankings can be found at <http://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/california/districts/pleasanton-unified-school-district>.

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