## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Placement Criteria (As of 1-22-19)

	LANGUAGE ARTS	SOCIAL STUDIES	MATHEMATICS	BIOLOGY
College Prep	9th Lit/Comp	Am Government/US & World Affairs	Algebra I	Biology
	<ul> <li>Received a passing</li> </ul>	Required for all 9th grade students	<ul> <li>Received a passing grade in 8th Grade</li> </ul>	Recommended for all
	grade in 8th grade	There is NO honors level	Mathematics	students except those
	Language Arts		Students will be placed in an Algebra Support	below
	<ul> <li>Students will be</li> </ul>		elective based on:	
	placed in a		<ul> <li>Defined level of performance on the Star</li> </ul>	
	<b>Communication Skills</b>		test, <u>OR</u>	
	Elective if below grade		<ul> <li>Beginning or Developing on 7th grade EOG</li> </ul>	
	level Lexile score from		Milestone in Math (Overriding Indicator)	
	either STAR or EOG		<u>OR</u>	
			Beginning or Developing on 8th grade EOG	
I			Milestone in Math (Overriding Indicator)	
Honors &	9th Lit/Comp H	AP Human Geography – Is an ELECTIVE	Algebra I & Geometry Honors (Placement to	Biology H
Gifted	<ul> <li>85+ in Advanced or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>85th percentile or higher on a</li> </ul>	be determined over the summer)	<ul> <li>Maintained an 90 or</li> </ul>
(To qualify for	Gifted 8th Grade	nationally-normed test in Social	<ul> <li>Defined level of performance on the Star</li> </ul>	above average in 8th
a gifted	Language Arts	Studies	test, <u>AND</u>	Grade Science
course,	<u>OR</u>	<u>OR</u>	<ul> <li>NAHS Placement Test, <u>AND</u></li> </ul>	AND
students must	<ul><li>90+ in on-level 8th</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Distinguished performance on 7<sup>th</sup> EOG</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Distinguished on 7th grade EOG Milestone</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Proficient or</li> </ul>
meet all	Grade Language Arts	Milestone in Language Arts	in Math 7 AND	Distinguished
honors level	AND	AND	<ul> <li>Distinguished on 8th grade EOG Milestone</li> </ul>	performance on 7th
requirements	<ul> <li>Proficient or</li> </ul>	85+ in advanced or 90+ in on-level 8th	in Math 8	EOG Milestone in
<u><b>AND</b></u> must	Distinguished on 7th	Grade Language Arts	Geometry	Language Arts
qualify for	EOG Milestone in	AND	<ul> <li>Passed Algebra 1 in 8th grade</li> </ul>	<u>AND</u>
gifted services	Language Arts	• 90+ in 8th Grade Social Studies	Geometry Honors	<ul><li>Proficient or</li></ul>
as defined	<u>AND</u>	AND	Passed Algebra 1 in 8th grade with an 80 or	Distinguished on 8th
with the GA	<ul> <li>Proficient or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Proficient or Distinguished on 8th EOG</li> </ul>	higher_ <i>AND</i>	EOG Milestone in
DOE.)	Distinguished on 8th	Milestone in Language Arts section	<ul> <li>Proficient or Distinguished on Algebra EOC</li> </ul>	Language Arts
	EOG Milestone in		Milestone	
	Language Arts		Geometry Honors/ Algebra 2 Honors	
			(Placement to be determined over the	
			summer)	
			Passed Algebra I in 8th grade with a 90 or	
			higher, AND	
			NAHS Placement Test, <u>AND</u>	
			Defined level of performance on the Star	
			test, AND	
			Distinguished on Algebra 1 EOC Milestone	

## **WORLD LANGUAGE**

- Placement based on 8th grade language class for those continuing in a language
- Students not in a language in 8th grade who need both Communication Skills and Algebra Support can defer taking a language until 10th grade
- At least one world language must be taken all 4 years in high school in order to participate in the IB Diploma Program in 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade