

Middle School Advanced Science and Social Studies Procedures for Recommendation

Criteria for Recommending 6th Grade Students for Advanced 7th Grade Classes			
Meet 2 of 3 Criteria	Advanced Life Science 7	Advanced Civics/Geography 7	Who will provide the data? When?
1. 5th Grade Aspire Scores (These are the most recent available.)	422 or higher in SCIENCE	420 or higher in READING	1. A spreadsheet of students' names who meet at least two of the three criteria (Aspire, Class Grade, Scantron Score) is available to principals by using the link provided in the email from Dr. Harrison. 2. Elementary schools should distribute the recommendation letter for science and the letter for social studies to the students identified on the spreadsheet referenced above. If the student wants to enroll in the advanced class for which he/she is recommended, then the student should return the letter (signed by a parent/guardian) to the elementary school. Once the elementary school has collected the signed letters, they should forward them to the middle school. *Please note that any student, regardless of the school's recommendation, may request enrollment in advanced classes. Please see the form "Request to Enroll in Advanced Classes."
2. Class Grade (6 th grade, first semester average, A minimum grade of "C" or higher is required regardless of standardized test scores.)	80% or higher in 6 th grade science course	80% or higher in 6 th grade social studies course	
3. Scantron	2667 or higher in <u>mathematics</u> as measured by the winter (or later) administration of Scantron Performance Series during 6 th grade. It is not necessary to retest the student if current year screening data are already available.	2883 or higher in <u>reading</u> as measured by the winter (or later) administration of Scantron Performance Series during 6 th grade. It is not necessary to retest the student if current year screening data are already available.	

*Students who are identified for one or more advanced middle school classes should complete and return the Parent Letter for Advanced Middle School Courses. Students who elect to take advanced middle school classes without being identified by the school should complete and return the Request to Enroll in Advanced Middle School Courses form. Elementary schools should distribute and collect forms for 6th grade students. Middle schools should distribute and collect forms for 7th grade students.

Criteria for Recommending 7th Grade Students for Advanced 8th Grade Classes

Meet 2 of 3 Criteria	Advanced Physical Science 8	Advanced World History 8	Who will provide the data? When?
<p>1. 6th Grade Aspire Scores (These are the most recent available.)</p>	<p>423 or higher in SCIENCE</p>	<p>421 or higher in READING</p>	<p>1. A spreadsheet of students' names who meet at least two of the three criteria (Aspire, Class Grade, Scantron Score) is available to principals by using the link provided in the email from Dr. Harrison.</p> <p>2. Middle schools should distribute the recommendation letter for science and the letter for social studies to 7th grade students identified on the spreadsheets referenced above. If the student wants to enroll in the advanced class for which he/she is recommended, then the student should return the letter (signed by a parent/guardian) to the school.</p> <p>*Please note that any student, regardless of the school's recommendation, may request enrollment in advanced classes. Please see the form "Request to Enroll in Advanced Classes."</p>
<p>2. Class Grade (7th grade, first semester average, A minimum grade of "C" or higher is required regardless of standardized test scores.)</p>	<p>80% or higher in 7th grade regular or Advanced Life Science</p>	<p>80% or higher in 7th grade regular or Advanced Civics/Geography</p>	
<p>3. Scantron</p>	<p>2743 or higher in <u>mathematics</u> as measured by the winter (or later) administration of Scantron Performance Series during 6th grade. It is not necessary to retest the student if current year screening data are already available.</p>	<p>2954 or higher in <u>reading</u> as measured by the winter (or later) administration of Scantron Performance Series during 6th grade. It is not necessary to retest the student if current year screening data are already available.</p>	

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