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### **Tuckahoe Middle School Acceleration Criteria**

#### **Criteria for accelerated seventh grade mathematics (requirement for eighth grade algebra):**

- A. Student must have a 90% test and quiz average in sixth grade mathematics and a 3 or 4 on the fifth grade state math assessment to be recommended for accelerated seventh grade mathematics.
- B. Parents may request for their child to be waived in if the child has an 87% or above test and quiz average in sixth grade mathematics.
- C. If student is not eligible for accelerated seventh grade mathematics, there will be an option to attempt self-acceleration over the summer between seventh and eighth grade.

#### **Criteria for eighth grade algebra:**

- A. Students in accelerated seventh grade mathematics must have a test and quiz average of 85% or higher
- B. Parents may request for their child to be waived in if the child is in accelerated seventh grade mathematics has a test or quiz average of 80-84%.
- C. Students in standard seventh grade mathematics with a 87% or higher test and quiz average are eligible to attempt self-acceleration over the summer. These students must earn an 85% or higher on the accelerated seventh grade mathematics final, which must be taken during the week prior to school opening in September (usually the last week of August).

#### **Criteria for Eighth Grade Regents Earth Science:**

- A. Student must have earned an 85% or higher on all seventh grade science tests.
- B. Students must have earned an 85% or higher on all Life Science lab assessments.
- C. Parents may request for their child to be waived in if the child has no more than two tests below 85% in seventh grade science.



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## **Tuckahoe High School Honors Criteria**

### **Middle School Transition to Grade 9:**

In order to enroll in the Grade 9 THS Honors Program, the student must have a 90% average in the respective subject in the Middle School subject area and must be recommended by his/her Middle School teacher in that subject area. There is no waive-in process from Grade 8 to Grade 9.

For scheduling purposes, guidance will use the average at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period in Grade 8, for THS Honors placement. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade student's performance will be reassessed at the end of the year to assure the criteria are met.

### **High School:**

Students already enrolled in the THS Regents Program must have a 90% average with their respective teacher's recommendation in order to enroll in an Honor's course.

THS students who are already enrolled in an Honor's course must maintain an 85% average for the year in order to re-enroll in the Honors Program at the next level.

### **Students Not Meeting the Grade Criteria:**

Honors High school students who do not meet the grade criteria but wish to participate in an Honors course at THS may do so under the following conditions:

- A. The students and his/her parent must meet with their respective high school guidance counselor to understand the expectations of the Honors Program.
- B. The Principal must review and approve the request.
- C. The parents of the student will need to sign a waiver form demonstrating they understand the risks and rigors regarding enrolling their child in the honors course.
- D. The student must have achieved an 80%-85% average in previous honors courses; 85% or above in a regents course.
- E. The student must complete a research paper of Honors quality of at least 4 pages on a topic in the respective discipline.



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1. *Social Studies Honors Research Paper*: provide an in-depth analysis on the differing role that government played in the lives of citizens from 1860 to 1960.
2. *English*: compare the varying use of conflict and writing techniques in the development of character, mood, and message in two works of literature.

#### **Advanced Placement Criteria**

Students must have an 85% average in noted pre-requisite course and teacher recommendation.

Waive-in process: Principal approval required subject to 1<sup>st</sup> marking period guidance/principal and teacher review.