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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 3rd marking period in Grade 8, for THS Honors placement. The 8th 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 1st marking period guidance/principal and teacher review.