

# 2018-2019 BCSD MIDDLE SCHOOL GUIDANCE PLACEMENT CRITERIA

*The criteria outlined below are intended for the use of teachers and counselors as they advise students regarding course placement for the next school year.*

## CRITERIA FOR ADVANCED AND ACCELERATED MATH

- ❖ For placement into 6th, 7th, or 8th grade Advanced Mathematics courses, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - Math SC Ready (or previous state test) percentile of 75 or higher AND Math MAP percentile of 75 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP test administrations)
- ❖ For placement into 6th grade Accelerated Mathematics, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - Math SC Ready (or previous state test) score of “Exceeds” AND Math MAP percentile of 90 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations)

## CRITERIA FOR ALGEBRA 1 HONORS AND GEOMETRY HONORS

- ❖ For placement into Algebra I Honors in 7th Grade, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - Math SC Ready (or previous state test) score of “Exceeds” AND Math MAP percentile of 93 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations) OR
  - 80% or higher probability of success on the state Algebra I End of Course exam based on the predictability component of EVAAS (state data tool)
- ❖ For placement into Algebra I Honors in 8th grade, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - Math SC Ready (or previous state test) score of “Exceeds” AND Math MAP percentile of 90 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations) OR
  - 80% or higher probability of success on the state Algebra I End of Course exam based on the predictability component of EVAAS (state data tool)
- ❖ For placement into Geometry Honors in 8th grade, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - Successful completion of Algebra 1 Honors in 7th grade (grade B or better)

## CRITERIA FOR ADVANCED ELA PLACEMENT

- ❖ For placement into 6th, 7th, or 8th grade advanced English/Language Arts, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - English SC Ready (or previous state test) percentile of 75 or higher AND Reading MAP percentile of 75 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations)
- ❖ For placement into English I Honors in 8th grade, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - English SC Ready (or previous state test) score of “Exceeds” AND Reading MAP percentile of 90 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations) OR
  - 80% or higher probability of success on the state English I End of Course exam based on the predictability component of EVAAS (state data tool)

## CRITERIA FOR ADVANCED SCIENCE PLACEMENT

- ❖ For placement into 6th, 7th, or 8th grade Advanced Science, a student may be eligible if two of the three criteria are met:
  - Science SC PASS score of “Exemplary”
  - English and Math SC Ready (or previous state test) percentile of 75 or higher
  - Reading and Math MAP percentile of 75 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP
- ❖ For placement into Earth Science Honors in 8th Grade, a student may be eligible if the student has successful completion of Algebra I Honors (grade B or better) OR is currently enrolled into Algebra I Honors, and one of the three criteria are met:
  - Science SC PASS score of “Exemplary”
  - English SC Ready (or previous state test) score of “Exceeds”
  - Reading MAP percentile of 90 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations)

#### **CRITERIA FOR ADVANCED SOCIAL STUDIES PLACEMENT**

- ❖ For placement into 6th, 7th, or 8th grade Advanced Social Studies, a student may be eligible if two of the three criteria are met:
  - Social Studies SC PASS score of “Exemplary”
  - English SC Ready (or previous state test) percentile of 75 or higher
  - Reading MAP percentile of 75 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations)

#### **CRITERIA FOR WORLD LANGUAGE (Spanish I, French I, Chinese I) PLACEMENT**

- ❖ For placement into 8th grade Spanish I, French I, or Chinese I, a student may be eligible if the following criteria is met:
  - Successful completion of exploratory classes in 6th and/or 7th grade (grade of B or better) AND
  - Reading MAP percentile of 75 or higher (during at least one of the last three MAP administrations) \*If one of the above criteria is unavailable, verbal-academic G/T identification will serve as a third criteria.

\*\*Native language ability should be taken into consideration for placement.