



To: Mr. Thomas Mahoney
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Re: DLR Math course offering changes
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The DLR math department will be changing its course offerings for both 7th and 8th grades for next school year. Currently 7th grade students are enrolled in either Pre-Algebra or Honors Pre-Algebra prepping them for Algebra as an 8th grader. The 8th graders are currently enrolled in Pre-Algebra 2, Algebra or Honors Algebra prepping them for their high school selection.

As a result of discovering that many middle grade standards, particularly in Math 8, have been omitted inadvertently from the curriculum through our current offerings, DLR will be changing the courses they offer students beginning next year.

7th grade students will be enrolled in Math 7 or Pre-Algebra and 8th graders will be enrolled in Math 8 or Algebra. Pre-Algebra and Algebra will be considered honors level classes with an additional .5 weight added to their Grade Point Average (GPA.)

Honors level sections will still be determined by a placement planning rubric that computes a placement score. A section(s) for each honors class will be determined as a result of a student's placement score. Details of the metrics that will be used for next year's placement score are still be worked out, but will now include Beyond Textbook (BT) assessment data.

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