

**Welcome  
to  
Tilden Middle  
School  
for  
7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>  
Grade  
Articulation**



# *We Are Here To Support You!*

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# Required Courses

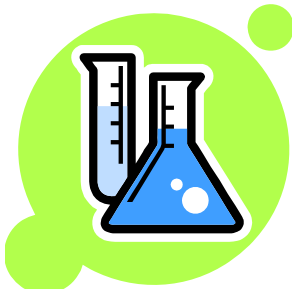


## Requirements for Seventh Grade

- English or ESOL
- Math
- Investigations in Science 7
- Advanced World Studies 7
- Physical Education and Health

## Requirements for Eighth Grade

- English or ESOL
- Math
- Investigations In Earth/Space Systems
- Advanced U.S. History
- Physical Education and Health



# English/Reading Articulation

Regina Rodriguez



# ENGLISH



## ENGLISH 7

- Integrates reading, writing, listening, speaking and viewing

## ENGLISH 8

- Integrates reading, writing, listening, speaking and viewing
- Students will read novels, autobiographies, short stories and study Shakespeare

## ADVANCED ENGLISH 7

- For highly motivated students with a lively interest in the power and versatility of language
- Students are expected to work independently

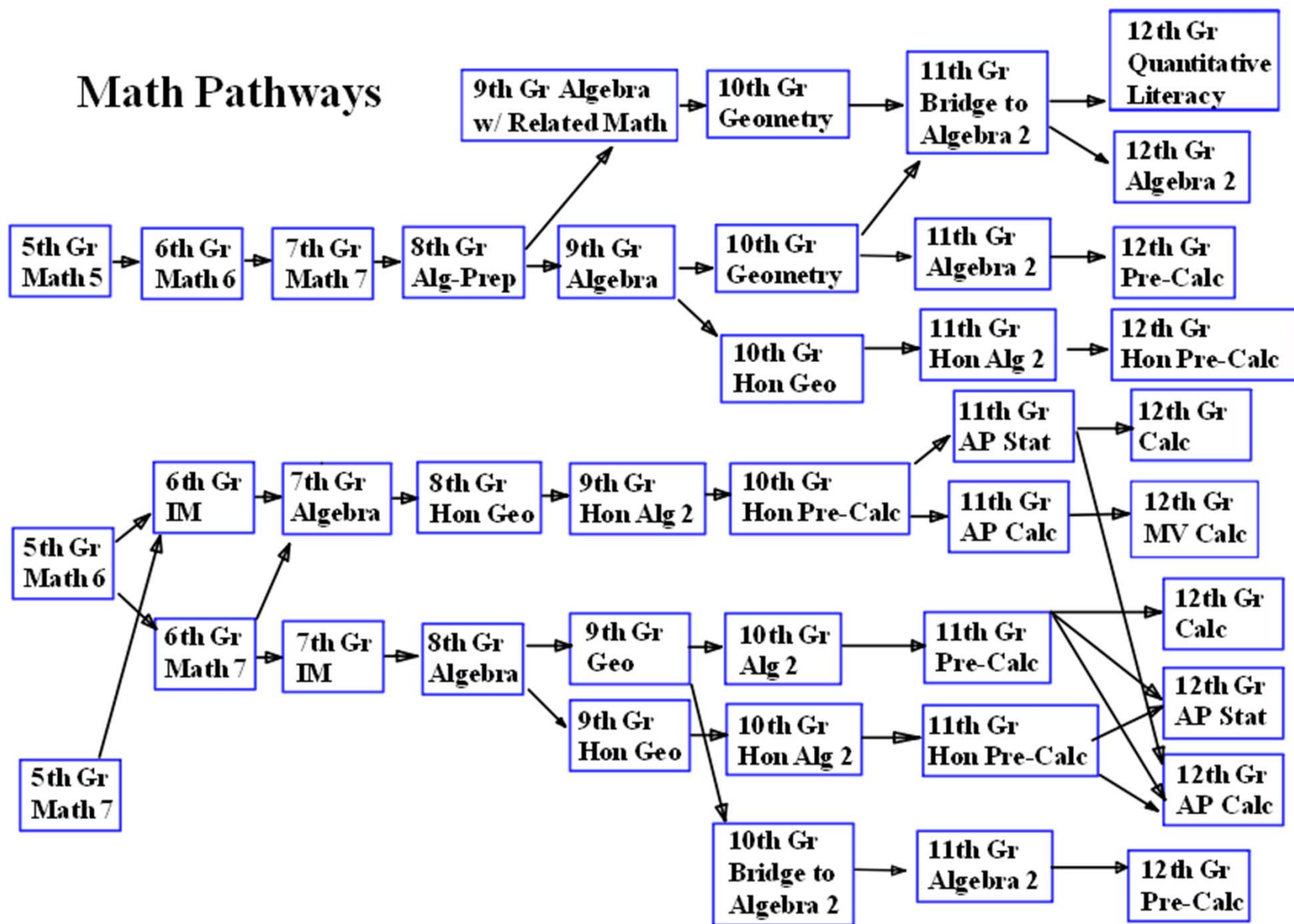
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# Math Articulation

Ms. Miim Kwak

# Math Pathways



# SCIENCE

## INVESTIGATIONS IN SCIENCE 7

- Topics related to:
  - Biochemistry
  - Genetics
  - Structure and function
  - Biotechnology
- Problem/project-based curriculum
- Students engage in science, technology, engineering and mathematics in order to propose solutions to identified problems

## INVESTIGATIONS IN EARTH SPACE SYSTEMS

- Topics include the interrelated systems of:
  - Hydrosphere
  - Cryosphere
  - Geosphere
  - Biosphere
  - Atmosphere

# ADVANCED WORLD STUDIES 7

- Through the study of world civilizations, students learn about political, economic and social systems today
- Analysis of primary-source texts and visuals is a central method for learning about the past and the challenges of historical interpretation



# ADVANCED U. S. HISTORY 8

- Prepares students for the high school social studies program
- Covers U.S. history from the Revolutionary War through Reconstruction



# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

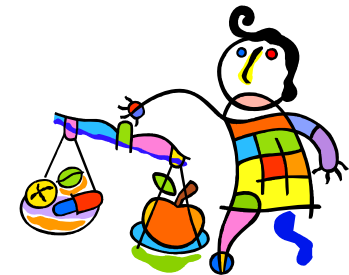
- Develop general fitness and skills through team sports, individual activities and developmental activities
- Activities include soccer, softball, volleyball, dance, lacrosse, tennis, table tennis, badminton, track and field, weight training



# HEALTH EDUCATION (9 weeks)

## Topics covered:

- Mental and emotional health
- Tobacco, alcohol and other drugs
- Nutrition and fitness
- Safety and injury prevention
- Family life and human sexuality
- Disease prevention and control



# WORLD LANGUAGES

- **Reading**
- **Writing**
- **Listening**
- **Speaking**
- **Cultural awareness**



## Languages/levels offered:

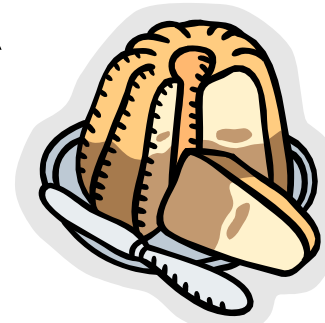
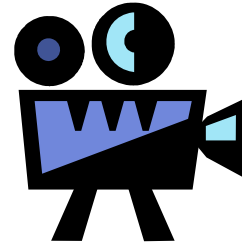
- **French 1 A/B**
- **French 2 A/B**
- **French 3 A/B** (may be taught at WJ)
- **Spanish 1 A** (7<sup>th</sup> grade only)
- **Spanish 1B** (8<sup>th</sup> grade only)
- **Spanish 1 A/B**
- **Spanish 2 A/B**
- **Spanish 3 A/B** (may be taught at WJ)

**High school credit earned and recorded on HS transcript by passing both semesters (A and B) AND passing final exam**

# 7<sup>th</sup> grade elective options

## Full year offerings

- World language
- Instrumental music
- General Chorus
- Guitar Ensemble
- Journalism/Yearbook
- Computer Art Fundamentals



## Semester offerings

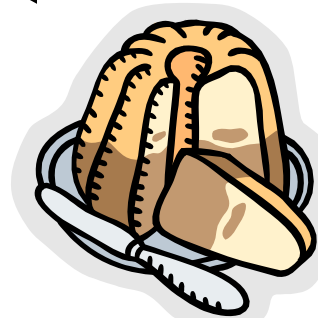
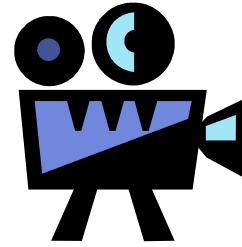
- Exploring Theatre
- Family and Consumer Science
- TV Studio
- Introduction to Computers
- Lights, Camera, Literacy



# 8<sup>th</sup> grade elective options

## Full year offerings

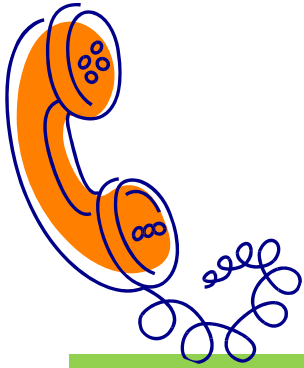
- World language
- Instrumental music
- General Chorus
- Guitar Ensemble
- Journalism/Yearbook
- Foundations of Art A/B



## Semester offerings

- Ceramic Studio
- Foods and Nutrition
- TV Studio
- Introduction to Computers





# STUDENT ASSISTANT

- This is a one year commitment
- This position takes the place of an elective.
- **May** help in the main office, in the counseling office, or in the Media Center.
- **May** work as a buddy to a special education student in the LFI program.

**Indicate your interest on the bottom of the registration sheet and you will be contacted over the summer.**



# OTHER CLASSES

**Students may be recommended for:**

- Developmental Reading (two periods)
- READ 180/ READ 180 flex (two periods)
- Reading 7/8
- Alternative 1
- Resource
- Algebra Intervention (only for 8<sup>th</sup> graders)



**These classes take the place of an elective and are designed to support the student in critical areas of need.**

# Looking ahead...



- Our feeder high school is Walter Johnson HS
- You could leave Tilden MS with 9 high school credits. If you are enrolled in any high school credit course, you are starting your high school transcript with a GPA.
- All eighth graders have the opportunity to apply for APEX, the signature program at Walter Johnson. This is an intellectually stimulating and competitive program within the student's own community which offers the flexibility to pursue individual educational goals, including AP courses. Applications and more information are available on the WJ website.
- Other opportunities for competitive programs within MCPS:
  - Blair's Science, Mathematics and Computer Science Magnet Program
  - Richard Montgomery's International Baccalaureate Diploma Program
  - Poolesville's Global Ecology House
  - Poolesville's Humanities House

# TAKING HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT COURSES IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

## **Courses available at Tilden:**

Algebra 1 A/B

Honors Geometry A/B

Honors Algebra 2 A/B

French/Spanish 1 A/B

French/Spanish 2 A/B

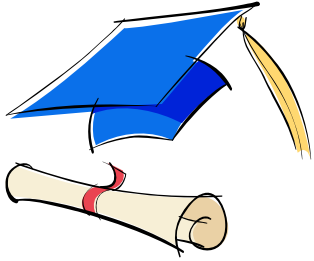
French/Spanish 3 A/B

Advanced English A/B

Foundations of Art A/B

## FAQs:

- *What if I'm not recommended?*
- *Can I try it, to see how I like it?*
- *What can I expect regarding the level of work demand?*
- *How many courses should I take each year?*
- *How does a student earn credit?*
- *Are the grades calculated into the HS GPA?*
- *When does it go on the HS transcript?*
- *What if I'm not doing well? Can a course be repeated? What happens to the grades?*



# Requirements for earning High School Credit while in Middle School

- Pass semester A
- Pass semester B
- Pass the semester B final exam
- Exception for Advanced English 8:
  - only reported if student receives a final grade of A or B



**STUDENT INFORMATION AND TEACHER RECOMMENDATION**

**LAST, FIRST  
ID**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

English: ESOL 2 (Double Pd)

Math: Math 7

Science: Invest. Sci. 7

World Studies:

Reading:

Foreign Language:

Music:

PE/Health: PE/Health Grade 7

**Tilden Middle School  
7th Grade Registration 2012-2013**

Counseling Office 301-230-5940

If necessary, update information here:

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Form due to  
Science Teacher  
by

**February 3rd**

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED COURSES**

ENGLISH	WORLD STUDIES	MATH	SCIENCE	PE/HEALTH
<input type="checkbox"/> English 7	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced World Studies 7	<input type="checkbox"/> Math 7	<input type="checkbox"/> Investigations In Science 7	<input type="checkbox"/> PE/Health
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced English 7		<input type="checkbox"/> IM*		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Algebra 1 A/B* HS Credit		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Honors Geometry A/B* HS Credit		

**ELECTIVE COURSES** (Prioritize 1-7 with 1 being your first choice)

*WORLD LANGUAGE	ARTS (Including Language)
	Staffing and student interest will determine availability of courses.
<input type="checkbox"/> French 1 A/B HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginning Band (FY)
<input type="checkbox"/> French 2 A/B* HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Intormediate Band (FY)
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1A (FY) 1/2 HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Band (FY)**
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1B (FY) 1/2 HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Orchestra (FY)
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1 A/B HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Orchestra (FY)**
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 2 A/B* HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Guitar Ensemble (FY)
	<input type="checkbox"/> General Chorus (FY)
Select a maximum of one course in this area.	<input type="checkbox"/> Computer Arts Fundamentals (FY)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Journalism, Yearbook (FY)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exploring Theater (S)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Family And Consumer Science (s)
	<input type="checkbox"/> TV Studio(S)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction To Computers (s)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Lights, Camera, Literacy(S)

**Required Signatures**

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

See Other Side for Directions

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Key: \*See course bulletin for details on pre-requisite criteria  
\*\*Audition/recommendation mandatory before **FEBRUARY 3, 2012**

(FY) Full year course (S) One semester course

**Student Information and Teacher Recommendations**

**LAST, FIRST**

**ID**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

English: Adv English

Math: H Geometry A/B

Science: Investigation into Earth Space Systems

World Studies: Adv US Hist 8

Reading:

World Language: French 2 A/B

Music: Chorus

PE/Health:

**Tilden Middle School  
8th Grade Registration 2012-2013**

Counseling Office 301-230-5940

If necessary, update information here:

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Form due to  
Science Teacher

by

**February 3rd**

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED COURSES**

	WORLD STUDIES	MATH	SCIENCE	PE/HEALTH
<input type="checkbox"/> English 8	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced U.S. History 8	<input type="checkbox"/> Algebra Prop	<input type="checkbox"/> Investigations in Earth Space Systems A/B	<input type="checkbox"/> PE/Health 8
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced English 8		<input type="checkbox"/> Algebra 1 A/B* HS Credit		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Honors Geometry A/B* HS Credit		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Algebra II with Analysis A/B* HS Credit		

**ELECTIVE COURSES (Prioritize 1-7 with 1 being your first choice)**

WORLD LANGUAGE	ARTS (Including Language) <small>Staffing and student interest will determine availability of courses.</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> French 1 A/B HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginning Band (FY)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1 A/B HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Orchestra (FY)**
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 2 A/B* HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Guitar Ensemble (FY)
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 3 A/B* HS Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> General Chorus (FY)
Select a maximum of one course in this area	<input type="checkbox"/> Foundations of Art A/B (FY) <b>HS Fine Arts Credit requires Comp Art Foundations</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Journalism, Yearbook (FY)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ceramics Studio (S)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Foods and Nutrition (S)
	<input type="checkbox"/> TV Studio(S)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction to Computers (S)

**Required Signatures**

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# Tilden Middle School

## 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration 2012-2013

### Directions for Completing Course Registration Card

#### **STUDENT INFORMATION & TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A: Please check information for accuracy of student's name (last, first, middle initial), home address and ID number.
- B: If an update to the student's information is necessary, cross out any incorrect information and complete the box titled "If necessary, update information here".

#### **TILDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Please leave this box blank.

#### **IF NECESSARY, UPDATE INFORMATION HERE**

- A: Print student's complete home address(es).
- B: Print home phone number.

#### **FORM DUE TO SCIENCE TEACHER BY FEBRUARY 3**

Please leave this box blank.

#### **PARENT/GUARDIAN (Two boxes available)**

- A: Print name(s) of parent/guardian(s)
- B: Print cell phone number(s)
- C: Print work phone number(s)
- D: Print email address(es)

#### **REQUIRED COURSES**

Check one box under each of the 5 subject areas if different from the teacher recommendation (English, World Studies, Math, Science and PE/Health).

Note: Registration for some courses requires a prerequisite course already being successfully completed.

#### **ELECTIVE COURSES**

Note: When selecting elective courses, prioritize choices 1 through 7 with 1 representing your first choice. **If selecting a *World Language* only select one language and include it in your prioritization of electives 1 through 7.**

#### **KEY**

This box is the key to asterisks found in the form.

#### **REQUIRED SIGNATURES**

- A: Student's signature and date are required.
- B: Parent/guardian's signature and date are required.

[Print](#) these Graduation Requirements.

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### MCPS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AT A GLANCE

Subject Area	Specific Credit Requirements			
<b>English</b>	<b>4 credits</b>			
<b>Fine Arts</b>	<b>1 credit</b> (Selected courses in art, dance, drama/theater, and music that satisfy the fine arts requirement are designated <b>FA</b> )			
<b>Health Education</b>	<b>0.5 credit</b>			
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>4 credits**</b> (1 full-year (A/B) algebra credit, 1 geometry credit) Students who successfully complete a calculus course may be exempted from this 4-credit requirement.			
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>1 credit**</b>			
<b>Science</b>	<b>3 credits</b> (1 biology credit, designated <b>BC</b> , and 1 physical science credit, designated <b>PC</b> , must be included)			
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>3 credits</b> (1 U.S. History credit; 1 World History credit; and 1 National, State, and Local Government credit)			
<b>Technology Education</b>	<b>1 credit</b> (designated <b>TE</b> )			
<b>Electives:</b> The additional credits required for graduation may be fulfilled by one of the following three options	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><b>OPTION 1</b> 2 credits in a foreign language <b>OR 2 credits</b> in american sign language <b>AND 2.5 credits</b> in elective courses</td> <td><b>OPTION 2</b> 2 credits in advanced technology education, <b>AT AND 2.5 credits</b> in elective courses</td> <td><b>OPTION 3</b> 4 credits in a state-approved career and technology program <b>AND</b> 0.5 credit in elective courses</td> </tr> </table>	<b>OPTION 1</b> 2 credits in a foreign language <b>OR 2 credits</b> in american sign language <b>AND 2.5 credits</b> in elective courses	<b>OPTION 2</b> 2 credits in advanced technology education, <b>AT AND 2.5 credits</b> in elective courses	<b>OPTION 3</b> 4 credits in a state-approved career and technology program <b>AND</b> 0.5 credit in elective courses
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<b>Student Service Learning (SSL)</b>	75 service-learning hours			
<b>Assessment Requirements</b>				
<b>High School Assessments</b>	Students must meet the Maryland High School Assessments requirements for English, algebra/data analysis, and biology.			

#### Promotion Regulation

MCPS Regulation JEB-RA, Placement, Promotion, Acceleration, and Retention of Students, <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/pdf/jebra.pdf>, requires that high school students earn five credits each year in order to be promoted, including specific required credits in English, mathematics, science, and social studies as indicated in the chart below.

End Of:	Total Credits Needed for Promotion to Next Grade	Total Credits in Required Courses					Other Courses - See Options Required for Graduation
		Math	English	Science	Social Studies		
Grade 9	5	1	1	0	0	3	
Grade 10	10	2	2	1	1	4	
Grade 11	15	3	3	2	2	5	

# Who to contact if you have questions....



- **Math** = Miim\_Kwak@mcpsmd.org
- **English or reading** = Regina\_B\_Rodrigues@mcpsmd.org
- **Foreign language** = Patricia\_R\_DurJava@mcpsmd.org
- **Science** = Pamela\_K\_Fountain@mcpsmd.org
- **World Studies** = David\_K\_Cochran@mcpsmd.org
- **Physical Education/Health Education** = Patricia\_S\_O'Reilly@mcpsmd.org
- **Music electives** = Timothy\_S\_Patrie@mcpsmd.org
- **Other electives** = Patricia\_S\_O'Reilly@mcpsmd.org (she will forward to the specific teacher)
- **Special education** = Christina\_Sloan@mpsmc.org
- **Counselor assignments for 2012-2013 school year**
  - **6th grade** = James\_N\_Alessi@mcpsmd.org
  - **7th grade** = Angela\_D\_Hammie-Bonner@mcpsmd.org
  - **8th grade** = Mary\_B\_Ciminelli@mcpsmd.org
- **Administrator assignments for 2012-2013 school year**
  - **Assistant Principal/ 6<sup>th</sup> grade** = Jeff\_S\_Leaman@mcpsmd.org
  - **Assistant Principal/ 7<sup>th</sup> grade** = Maniya\_J\_Desroches@mcpsmd.org
  - **Principal/ 8<sup>th</sup> grade** = Irina\_LaGrange@mcpsmd.org