



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Indian Hill School
735 Holmdel Road
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March 4, 2024

Dear Parents,

The following information is in regards to your child's math and literacy placement for the 2024-2025 school year:

MATH PLACEMENT

Multiple measures are used to place students into math courses for rising 6th - 8th grades. As such, 2024-2025 math placement for current 5th and 6th grade students will be determined using a combination of each student's 2023 NJSLA math scores, their 2023-24 MAP and HMH Growth Measure scores, and their Marking Period 1-3 average. For a detailed breakdown of how each component will contribute to their placement, please see the placement document linked [HERE](#).

Current 6th grade students who are enrolled in Honors Math 6 will take the additional MAP Algebra Screener placement test in class during the **week of March 11th, 2024**. This assessment is used as a predictive indicator of the student's Algebra readiness. Honors Math 6 teachers will be sharing more information with students regarding the Algebra Screener closer to the testing date.

ELA PLACEMENT

Like math above, multiple measures are used to place students into ELA courses for rising 6th & 7th graders. As such, 2024-2025 ELA placement for current 5th and 6th grade students will be determined using a combination of each student's 2023 NJSLA ELA scores, their LinkIt and Map winter scores, their marking period averages and the Critical Reading Writing Response (CRWR) task. This additional measure is to evaluate students' writing, which is a critical component of literacy. **All students in grade 5 will be given the assessment in their Literacy classes on March 19, 2024.** Details regarding the ELA placement components can also be found in the placement document linked [HERE](#).

Students in non-honors 6th grade literacy who are interested in advancing to Honors English 7 must register to take the English CRWR placement test through completing the Google Form linked [HERE](#). The form will close March 12, 2024 at 8:00am. Students will take their test after school on March 19, 2024. Please note: Rising 6th and 7th grade students will not be eligible for waivers into Honors English if they do not take the placement test. Waivers will not be accepted after July 15, 2024.

Honors English placement make-up testing for Rising 7th grade students will also be held after school on March 25, 2024. Rising 6th grade students will make up the English 6 Honors placement exam with their teachers.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or the appropriate departmental supervisor:

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Kind regards,

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