

An Overview of

*PRM Accelerated
Courses*

Objective

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Accurate placement
into PRM accelerated
program.

Accelerated Classes

- 7th grade
 - Math
 - English
- 8th grade
 - Math
 - English
 - Science



Curriculum Comparison

Regular

- Rigorous program that meets or exceeds NJCCCS
- Pace adjusted as necessary to meet needs of students
- Greater teacher guidance
- Class time for review and reinforcement of concepts
- Homework is usually reinforcement of lesson

Accelerated

- More rigorous
- Faster paced
 - Increased depth and breadth of content
- Encourages greater academic independence
- Student responsible for review
- Homework more time consuming
 - More critical thinking questions
 - More applications
 - Extension of class activities



Placement Process

- Each 6th and 7th student is evaluated using matrix
- Occurs at end of 6th and 7th grade
- 2-3 month process



Why Matrices?



- Uniform and standardized process
- Analyzes the whole child in different dimensions
- Clarifies expectations in advance

Sample Matrix

6th Grade Mathematics Average	100-95%	94-90%	89-86%	85-83%	
	18	15	12	7	
NJASK 6 Mathematics (Score out of 300)	300-275	274-250	249-225		
	12	9	6		
Placement Test (Score out of 37)	100-90%	89-80%	79-65%		
	15	12	7		
Student Characteristics curious and creative, ability to reason abstractly ability to see connections	Excellent	High	Very Good		Average
	5	3	1		0
Seriousness of Purpose homework completion, class participation, study habits, and attendance	Excellent	High	Very Good	Average	
	5	3	1	0	

Matrix Categories

■ Mathematics

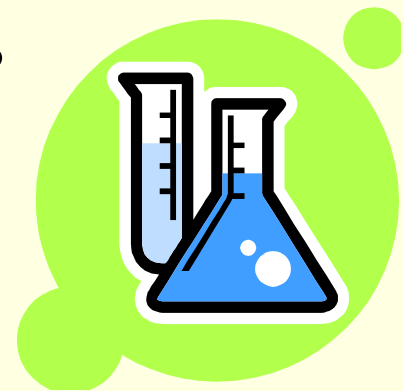
- Current year's Math average
- Math placement assessment
- NJ ASK Math results
- Teacher recommendations



Matrix Categories

■ Science

- Current year's Science average
- Science placement assessment
- Current year's Math average
- NJ ASK mathematics results
- Teacher recommendations



Matrix Categories

■ English

- Current year's English average
- Current year's Reading average
- Current year's spring Writing Sample
- English placement assessment
- Teacher recommendations
- NJ ASK Language Arts results



Timeline



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- Teacher recommendations June
 - Placement assessment June
 - Final averages June
 - NJ ASK results August
 - Notification August-September

Placement Assessment Dates

- English
 - Monday, June 15, 2009
- Mathematics
 - Tuesday, June 16, 2009
- Science
 - Thursday, June 17, 2009
- Make-Ups
 - Friday, June 19, 2009



Other Concerns

- Placement Assessment day
 - Immediately notify school of any unusual circumstances concerning your child

- Door still open
 - Annual assessment
 - Multiple course sequences at KHS



THANK YOU



Thank you for your time.



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