

2020 RFH HS Placement FAQ Sheet

Parent information session at RFH HS on January 14th at 6:45 PM

- Pre- Registration** - Please see letter from Superintendent of RFH HS regarding mandatory registration and course selection process. There is an online pre-registration process that **MUST** be completed prior to your course selection meeting at the end of January. In order to expedite your scheduling conference, please be sure you complete the pre-registration process in advance.
- Course Selection Meetings** - Parents will receive a letter from Ms. Pearson with the assigned HS scheduling time. All appointments will be held in the Forrestdale Media Center on **Monday 1/27 and Tuesday 1/28** for students and parents with HS counselors. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time. If you wish to make a change in course requests after this meeting, you must do so via email before March 20th.
- World Language** - Students will be issued a **World Language Placement Exam** (information forthcoming from RFH HS) on **March 4th** at RFH HS for placement determination for Spanish and French Level II and Honors Level Courses. In the event that your child wishes to take a Level I World Language Course, they need not sit for the exam. In the event that your child is currently enrolled in Chinese I at RFH, their current teacher will make recommendations for your child and they need not sit for the placement exam on March 4th.
- Math** - Students will no longer be expected to sit for a Math Placement Exam. Placement will be determined as follows, without allowance for waiver:

Current Grade 8 Math Course	Placement Criteria	Grade 9 Course
Grade 8 Math	N / A	Algebra I
Grade 8 Algebra I	<p>Must meet at least two of the criteria below for Honors Geometry:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> NJSLA Math Gr 7 score of 5 Math average of 90+ Teacher recommendation (as scored by RFH provided rubric) <p>*If the two criteria are current average and teacher recommendation, then the student's NJSLA score from Gr 7 must be at least a 4 for honors placement.</p>	Geometry OR Honors Geometry

Grade 8 Algebra I	Does not meet expectations on Gr 8 NJSLA Alg I Exam AND / OR Teacher recommendation that student would benefit from an additional year of Alg I	Algebra I
Grade 8 Geometry	Must meet at least two of the criteria below for Honors Alg II: 1. NJSLA Algebra 1 score of 5 2. Math average of 90+ 3. Teacher recommendation (as scored by RFH provided rubric) *If the two criteria are current average and teacher recommendation, then the student's NJSLA Algebra 1 must be at least a 4 for honors placement.	Honors Algebra II
Grade 8 Geometry	Does not meet expectations on Gr 8 NJSLA Geometry Exam AND / OR Teacher recommendation that student would benefit from an additional year of Geometry	Honors Geometry

- English / Social Studies - Placement for ELA honors and SS is based upon this criteria:

Current Grade 8 Course	Placement Criteria	Grade 9 Course
Grade 8 ELA Grade 8 SS	Must meet at least two of the criteria below for Honors ELA / SS: 1. NJSLA ELA Gr 7 score of 5 2. ELA / SS average of 90+ 3. Teacher recommendation (as scored by RFH provided rubric) *If the two criteria are current average and teacher recommendation, then the student's NJSLA ELA score from Gr 7 must be at least a 4 for honors placement.	Gr 9 English OR Honors English <i>*Honors English is a reading intensive course</i> Gr 9 US History I OR Honors US History I <i>*Honors US History I is a writing intensive course</i>

- **Science** - Placement for Science courses is based upon current Gr 8 Math Course and criteria below for honors level Science courses:

Current Grade 8 Math Course	Placement Criteria	Grade 9 Course
Grade 8 Math	N / A	Physics (no honors level offered)
Algebra I or Geometry	Must meet <u>both</u> of the criteria below for Honors Science: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Current Sci average of 90+ 2. Teacher recommendation (as scored by RFH provided rubric) 	Biology OR Honors Biology