



Duplin County Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians of 4th or 5th-grade students,

Middle school students who demonstrate readiness have the opportunity to participate in selected high school courses. Students who qualify may take World History and/or Foreign Language in 7th grade and/or World History, Earth Science, NC Math 1, or Foreign Language in 8th grade. These courses will primarily be offered online through North Carolina Virtual Public School (NCVPS).

Qualifying students may opt to take World History in place of 7th-grade social studies and NC Math 1 in place of 8th-grade math. Courses may also be taken in place of resource classes or after school in 7th and 8th grade. As some of the criteria for these courses depend on 4th and 5th-grade performance, we feel it is important that parents are aware of the criteria. You will find the criteria on the back of this letter. It is important that your student does his/her very best on EOG assessments; however, please do not overemphasize these assessments causing undue stress to students.

There will be a parent information meeting primarily for 6th and 7th-grade parents on _____ at your student's school. If you have questions or an interest in these future advanced course options, you are welcome to attend this meeting.



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World History (7th or 8th grade)

- 2 of the following criteria -

- 90 or above class average in 6th/7th Grade Social Studies
- AIG Reading Identification
- Level 5 on most recent ELA EOG

NC Math 1 (8th Grade)

- Achievement Level 5 on the 7th Grade Math EOG
 - **Or** 2 of the following criteria -
- Achievement Level 5 on two of the last three Math EOGs
- 90 or above class average in 7th Grade Math
- AIG Math Identification

Earth Science (8th grade)

- must meet at least 2 of the following criteria -

- Level 5 on 5th Grade Science EOG
- 90 or above class average in 7th Grade Science
- AIG Reading or Math Identification
- Level 5 on ELA EOG

Foreign Language - Spanish or French (7th and/or 8th Grade)

- must meet at least 2 of the following criteria -

- AIG Math or Reading
- Level 5 on the most recent ELA or Math EOG
- Level 5 on 2 of the last 3 ELA or Math EOGs
- 90 average of Core subjects in the most recent year