



## Duplin County Schools

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Middle school students who demonstrate readiness have the opportunity to participate in selected high school courses. Students who qualify may take World History or Foreign Language in 7th grade and/or World History, Earth Science, Foreign Language, or NC Math 1 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. Courses may also be taken in place of resource classes or after school. Please work with your school counselor to determine the optimal schedule. Qualifying students may opt to take NC Math 1 in place of 8th-grade math.

High School courses taken in middle school will appear on the high school transcript and provide high school credit; however, the final grade will NOT be calculated in the student's high school grade point average. At the end of each high school course, students will take a final exam which will count as 25% of the final grade. High school course averages for courses taken during middle school **WILL** be included in determining middle school honor rolls, awards, etc. Students opting not to take high school courses in middle school will have the opportunity to enroll in honors-level courses in high school if eligible. The DPI weighting system adds the equivalent of 0.5 quality points to the grade earned in the honors level course, which will count in the student's high school GPA calculation. In addition to honors courses, high school students also have the opportunity to take Advanced Placement (AP) courses, Community College courses (CCP), and elective courses. There will be more opportunities for these options for students who take high school courses in middle school. The DPI weighting system adds the equivalent of 1.0 quality points to the grade earned in AP and CCP courses which will also count in the student's high school GPA calculation. It is important for parents to discuss these opportunities with the school counselor to determine the best option for their student.

Your student has met the criteria to enroll in the courses listed on the back of this letter. After carefully reviewing this information, please determine in which course you would like for your child to enroll. Please note that enrollment is dependent on funding availability. Slots may not be available in all courses for which a student qualifies.

Please feel free to contact **XXXXXXXXXX** if you have any questions. Our school number is **XXXXXXX**.



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Your student, \_\_\_\_\_, has met the criteria listed below and may enroll\* in the following courses:

- \_\_\_\_\_ World History (may take in 7th or 8th grade)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foreign Language I & II -- Spanish or French (may take in 7th and/or 8th grade)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Earth Science (may take in 8th grade)

### **World History** ( 7th or 8th grade)

- must meet at least 2 of the following criteria -
  - 90 or above class average in 6<sup>th</sup>/7th Grade Social Studies
  - AIG Reading Identification
  - Level 5 on most recent ELA EOG

### **Earth Science** ( 8th grade)

- must meet at least 2 of the following criteria -
  - 90 or above class average in 7<sup>th</sup> 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 most recent ELA or Math EOG
  - 90 average of Core subjects in the most recent year
  - Level 5 on 2 of the last 3 ELA or Math EOGs

### **NC Math 1** (8th Grade)

- Achievement Level 5 on the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math EOG or Compacted Math in 7th Grade
- Or** must meet at least 2 of the following criteria -
  - Achievement Level 5 on two of the last three Math EOGs
  - 90 or above class average in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math
  - AIG Math Identification

I would like my student, \_\_\_\_\_ to enroll\* in the following high school courses:  
(*please circle below*)

World History

Earth Science

Spanish

French

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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