

7th and 8th Grade High School Placement Criteria

Northland Pines is dedicated to making sure that all students' needs are met. This means that struggling learners will be provided support to ensure their success and that advanced students receive a rigorous curriculum that challenges and improves their learning. There may be occasions when it is appropriate for a student to take some high school courses while in 7th or 8th grade due to their advanced academic level.

Below you will find the criteria for administration's consideration to advanced placements of 7th and 8th grade students. A student may not meet every criteria item on the list; however, the majority of the criteria must be met. Administration has the final say in the placement of a student and all parties' input is valued and will be considered.

1. Student's grade point average must be at least 3.5
2. Student is responsible, shows a strong work ethic and consistently demonstrates that his/her work is advanced and consistently demonstrates proficiency in other academic areas.
3. Parent and student shall meet with the middle school counselor and principal and all must agree that advancing to another level in a certain subject area is necessary for the student's educational needs to be met. Input will also be considered from current and high school teachers.
4. Students wanting to take a High School class during 7th grade, must show educational progress and need for the class in their educational plan.
5. State assessments results indicate that a student is at an advanced level.
6. District STAR assessments consistently indicate that a student scores in advanced ranges in reading and math.
7. Parents must sign the High School Placement waiver.

Important Information:

1. The grade a student receives in High School courses will count towards his/her high school GPA and the grade will go on his/her transcript.
2. Student will be expected to follow policies and procedures as outlined in the student handbook.
3. Student will be expected to follow the guidelines and procedures of the high school class.

7th & 8th Grade High School Placement Waiver

Challenging students to be prepared for their future is one of our goals. However, when a student takes high school course work, they will also receive high school grades AND credit. These grades will affect their overall high school grade point average (GPA). This may be a positive or negative depending on the grade.

This decision is important as it may remove a student from the top 10% of their class or from the top student(s) who may earn a state scholarship. It may also help move them up in rank, as well. If a student would like to change or drop this class, it must be done by the end of the first week of the semester. If they drop the class after the first week of the semester the grade will be recorded as an F on their transcripts.

Please sign below indicating that you are aware that any grades earned at the high school will go on their transcript and will be included in their high school GPA. Please return this form to the MS/HS Guidance Office.

If you have any questions, please call Sade Seeger, Middle School Counselor at 715-479-4473, Ext. 0512.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

High School Courses:

Students will receive HS credit for these classes and grade is posted on HS transcript.

Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

This is not a guarantee that we will be able to offer or schedule you for this course(s). Please use INK to mark the course(s) you wish to take for next year. The course(s) you select should be appropriate for your future plans.

(1) English I (3302)

(1) German I (3350)

(1) Algebra (3562)

(1) German II (3352)

(1) Geometry (3565)

(1) Spanish I (3360)

(1) U.S. History (3841)

(1) Spanish II (3362)

(1) Applied Science (3715)

(1) Chorale (3615)

(1) Concert Band (3627)

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____