

Diocesan Requirements for Math Placement

A 7th grade student is qualified for **Pre-Algebra** according to the following Diocesan prerequisites:

- 1) 85 or above academic average each quarter in sixth grade mathematics
- 2) 90 + national percentile mathematics composite score on fifth and sixth grade standardized test (ITBS)
- 3) Recommendation of sixth grade mathematics teacher

***Optional Criteria: 85% comparable score on a pre-algebra readiness test. This is required for transfer students and for those who do not meet one of the first three criteria above.*

An 8th grade student is qualified for **Algebra I** according to the following Diocesan prerequisites:

- 1) 85 or above academic average each quarter in seventh grade Pre-Algebra

Note: Pre-Algebra must be taken in order to take Algebra I

- 2) 90 + national percentile mathematics composite score on sixth and seventh grade standardized test (ITBS)
- 3) Recommendation of seventh grade mathematics teacher

***Optional Criteria: 85% comparable score on an algebra readiness test (e.g. Orleans-Hanna Algebra Prognosis Test). This is required for transfer students and for those who do not meet one of the first three criteria above.*

Pre-Algebra/Algebra Readiness Test - Placement Exam

Under the discretion of the math teacher and administration, a student may take an appropriate Diocesan permitted readiness/placement exam as long as his or her previous year's records reflect the following:

- 1) No quarterly grade of a 69 or below
- 2) No more than 2 quarterly grades between 80-84
- 3) No more than 1 quarterly grade between 70-79
- 4) No more than 2 behavioral demerits in 1 quarter

All students enrolled in 7th grade Pre-Algebra or 8th grade Algebra I must maintain at least an average of 85% and teacher recommendation each quarter to remain in those math courses. Under the discretion of the math teacher and administration, a student can be moved if necessary.