

Southwest Math Department Policy Regarding Course Placement

The Southwest Math Department provides the following 4 year courses of mathematics for every student:

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
MYP Extended Level 9 Integrated Mathematics	MYP Extended Level 10 Integrated Mathematics	IB Higher Level Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation Year 1	IB Higher Level Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation Year 2
		IB Higher Level Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches Year 1	IB Higher Level Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches Year 2
MYP Standard Level 9 Integrated Mathematics	MYP Standard Level 10 Integrated Mathematics	IB Standard Level Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation Year 1	IB Standard Level Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation Year 2
		IB Standard Level Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches Year 1	IB Standard Level Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches Year 2

Students, caregivers, and teachers work together to decide on the best 4-year course of mathematics for every student.

There are a few truly exceptional cases where a student is accelerated far beyond their peers. In the case that a 9th grade student has successfully **completed the equivalent of 2 years of the UMTYMP program**, that student may request a meeting with the math department heads, counselors, and administration to discuss the best placement for that student in one of the 11th grade courses. Students who have not met these criteria will be enrolled in the appropriate 9th grade course.

In these rare cases, **students and caregivers should collaborate with the Southwest Math Department, counseling and administration to create a 4 year plan for their high school career. Please note** it is not possible for a non-senior to test in any of the IB courses until they are seniors.

We welcome all students into our courses, and will challenge every student to make sure they are learning rigorous mathematics during their time at Southwest.