Waggoner Road

Junior High School Reynoldsburg City Schools



Friday, December 19, 2014

Dear Student and Parent or Guardian,

Below you will find information regarding math and science courses eligible for high school credit, how credit may be earned, and how it is awarded for students in the 7- and 8- grade across the district. We are recommending that families who would like to consider this option and whose student(s) are demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement of grade level standards attend a parent informational meeting on Thursday, January 8- from 7:00-8:00 PM at Hannah Ashton Middle School. The attached intent form will need to be completed and submitted by January 15, 2015. These forms will also be shared at the parent meeting and are posted on the web. Students will not be double tested. All students will take the assessment that is aligned to the course in which they are enrolled. Students enrolled in a high school level course will receive a formal written acceleration plan (WAP) as a result of the placement. Please plan on attending the meeting on January 8- for additional information.

Courses:

Life Science 7 - Students who are demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement of grade level standards may consider taking a high school equivalent Life Science exam. Students who meet this criterion, choose to take the exam, and score at a mastery level of 70% or higher will be awarded a high school science elective credit. Students who do not meet the benchmark on the end of course exam will receive a Science 7 grade.

Physical Science 8 - Students who are demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement of grade level standards may consider taking the state Next Generation HS Physical Science assessment to earn HS credit. Students opting not to take the HS Next Generation Physical Science assessment must take the Next Generation Science 8 assessment. Students who take the high school exam and score at the benchmark as determined by the state, will be awarded HS Physical Science credit. *Students who do not meet the benchmark on the Next Generation HS Physical Science assessment in the 8- grade will re-enroll in the course while in high school and will receive a Science 8 grade.*

Algebra 1 - Students who are demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement of grade level standards may consider taking the HS Next Generation Algebra 1 assessment. Students who meet this criterion, choose to take the exam, and score at the state determined benchmark, will be awarded a high school Algebra 1 credit. Students who do not meet the benchmark on the Next Generation HS Algebra 1 assessment will re-enroll in the course while in 8- grade or high school and will receive a Math 7 or Math 8 grade.

Geometry - Students who are demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement of grade level standards may consider taking the HS Next Generation Geometry assessment. Students who meet this criterion, choose to take the exam, and score at the state determined benchmark, will be awarded a high school Geometry credit. *Students who do not meet the benchmark on the Next Generation HS Geometry assessment will re-enroll in the course while in high school and will receive a Math 8 grade.*

If a student and his or her family commits to take the course for HS credit, and the student passes the course assessment, HS credit will be awarded. The course grade will only be included in a student's junior high transcript. Only the course credit will follow the student to high school.

The next page asks you and your student to commit to taking the end of course assessment for any of the above courses. **Students must return this form by Thursday, January 15, 2015.**

All the best,

Chris Brooks Principal

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2014-2015 High School Credit Intent Form

Student Name

Grade _____

I am currently attend the following school:

- □ Baldwin Road Junior High
- Hannah Ashton Middle School
- Waggoner Road Junior High

I am enrolled in the following courses for the 2013-2014 school year:

Life Science 7	□ Yes □No	I am demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement
Physical Science 8	□ Yes □No	I am demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement
Algebra 1	□ Yes □No	I am demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement
Geometry	□ Yes □No	I am demonstrating excellent and consistent achievement

As a student, I am committing to participate in the End of Course assessment for the following courses. My parents and I understand that this commitment is binding and the attempt to earn credit, as defined on the previous page, will become a permanent part of my high school transcript.

- Life Science 7 Yes, I will take a HS equivalent Life Science exam and apply for HS Science elective credit
- D Physical Science 8 Yes, I will take the HS Next Generation Physical Science assessment to apply for credit
- □ Algebra 1 Yes, I will take the HS Next Generation Algebra 1 assessment to apply for credit
- □ Geometry- Yes, I will take the HS Next Generation Geometry assessment to apply for credit

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

This form is to be completed and submitted to the student's homeroom teacher by Thursday, January 15, 2015.

Questions should be directed to your student's teacher(s) or the building principal.