

## HONORS CLASS PLACEMENT

Honors<sup>1</sup> classes at Revere Middle School provide opportunities for rigorous, in-depth to highly skilled and academically motivated students. Students who achieve success in these demanding courses possess a great aptitude in the subject area, as well as exceptional motivation, work habits, and study skills. Their quality of work demonstrates the ability to exceed the content standards in their classwork, projects and assessments.

The placement of students each year is a task that our staff takes very seriously. Because of the many variables and delicate balance of classes, appropriate placement is a team effort and very time consuming. Once school begins, *we require a three-week waiting period before any parent requests for class placement changes.* We can assure you that we have your child's best interest in mind. Our goal is to create an optimum learning environment for all of the students at Paul Revere Middle School.

Students placed in Honors classes must meet the following criteria:

- Identified as GIFTED by School District in at least one of the following areas:
  - High Achievement, Academic Ability (Language Arts or Math), Intellectual or Highly Gifted
- OR
- SBAC/CAASP scores of EXCEEDS STANDARDS on **both** English Language Arts and Mathematics on most recent available test results
- OR
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade LAUSD report card
  - English Language Arts section: 4/5 areas with 4
  - Mathematics Content & Practices sections: 7/9 areas with 4

<sup>1</sup> Students placed in Honors classes must earn a B at the end of the Spring semester in that academic class in order to remain in the same Honors academic class the following school year <sup>2,3</sup>

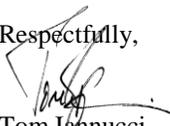
<sup>2</sup> Placement into 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade Algebra is based on an end of year un-announced math assessment, teacher recommendation, grades, work habits and cooperation.

<sup>3</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> graders enrolled in Honors 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science must be concurrently enrolled in Algebra or Geometry in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

If you are a new 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade student entering Revere from a non-LAUSD school and any of the information above does not pertain to your child, the report cards/grades/transcript and/or other Standardized test scores that you submit upon enrolling will be reviewed by the Counseling Office for class placement.

Our faculty and staff are looking forward to working with you and your child. Please do not hesitate to call us with any question or concerns you may have.

Respectfully,

  
Tom Iannucci  
Principal

  
Brett Shibata  
Head Counselor

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### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**Q:** Can I request my child be placed into Honors classes?

**A:** Yes. We require a three-week waiting period before any parent requests for class placement changes will be considered. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers will assess the student and recommend class changes to you and the Counseling Office.

**Q:** Can an elementary teacher recommend my child for the HONORS class?

**A:** No. Students will be placed into classes based on the above criteria.

**Q:** Can a Paul Revere teacher recommend my child for the HONORS classes?

**A:** Yes, within the first 5-8 weeks of the school year or at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade or 7<sup>th</sup> grade school year.

**Q:** If my child does well in the REGULAR classes, can he/she be moved to HONORS classes?

**A:** Yes, within the first 5-8 weeks of the school year or at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade or 7<sup>th</sup> grade school year based on teacher recommendation. NOTE: Earning an "A" or "B" in a non-honors class does not justify placement in an Honors class the following school year.