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Dear Administrators and Counselors,

Jordan School District is committed to providing high-quality mathematics instruction for every student. All students are capable of learning and succeeding in mathematics. During the upcoming registration for middle school classes, 6th-grade students may choose their mathematics course. **Students may choose 7th Grade Mathematics or 7th Grade Mathematics Honors.** The core standards are exactly the same for both courses. However, the honors course may move a little faster and/or go a little deeper than the regular math course. It is important that students are given the opportunity to access the math course which best fits their needs. We are encouraging students to discuss their options with their parents/guardians.

The recommended pathway is for all students to take a 7th Grade Mathematics course. For students who are able to demonstrate mastery of 6th and 7th-grade mathematics standards, an alternative pathway is available. In order to access this pathway, students may choose to take an assessment to determine their readiness for 8th Grade Mathematics Honors. The testing window will be between January 13, 2020, and January 24, 2020.

Teacher Information Packet

Attached is the letter individual 6th Grade teachers will receive with information about this process. Included in the packet will be a copy of the letter to parents. Teachers will need to make copies of this letter for their students. We are also encouraging teachers to inform students of their options and to thoroughly discuss the choices with their parents.

Administering the Test

Please work with your 6th-grade team lead to make arrangements for administering the assessment for those students who are interested in registering for 8th Grade Mathematics Honors. **The exam will be delivered online through Google Forms. Students will access the test by going to this web-link: <https://forms.gle/YaAmywGAQPz8x16N8>**
For the students who elected to take the 8th Grade Test, a letter will be sent to parents/guardians with the recommended pathways on February 28th.

Testing Windows

Traditional Schools	January 13 to January 24
A, B, C Tracks	January 27 to February 7
D Track	February 10 to February 21

Accommodations

Please work with your sixth-grade team to ensure that the appropriate accommodations are provided. Please note that the use of a calculator is not an approved accommodation.

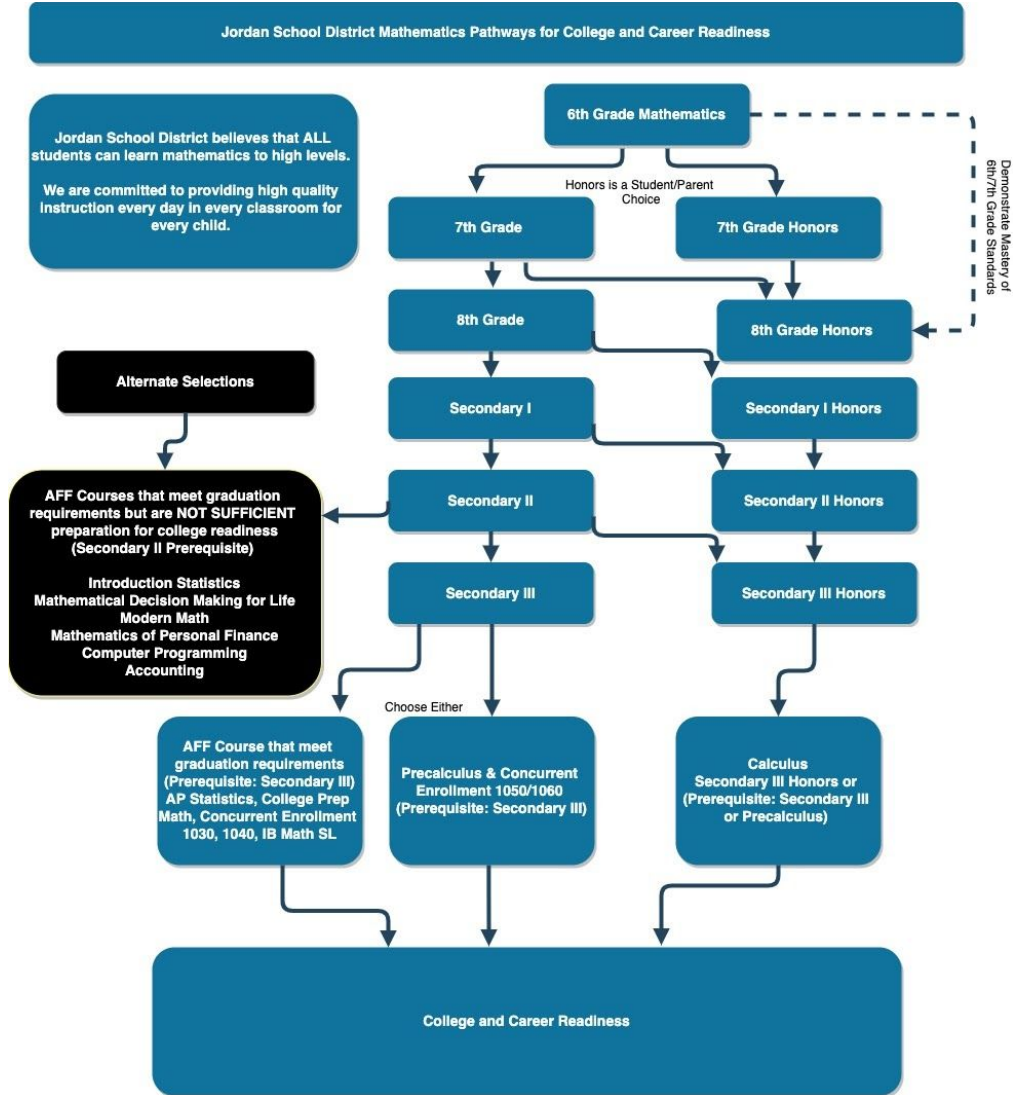
Link to Teacher and Parent/Guardian Letter

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1w2CpReL7M0ao8shfT_RJPsONMIN7WnCxjvk9BQOBjXI/edit?usp=sharing

Here is the link to the Teacher Letter that will be distributed to all 6th-grade teachers and the Parent/Guardian Letter that will be sent home to all 6th Grade parent/guardians.

Equity and Assess

We are opening the pathways to ensure that all students have access to mathematics courses that fit their needs. Attached is a flow chart showing the available mathematics pathways.



Contacting Us

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