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Algebra 1 Policy For High School Credit	Issue Date: 11/30/1979	Amended Date: 11/9/1992 8/1/2002 3/2017

It is a goal of diocesan elementary school math programs to build mastery of all foundational math facts and operations in their students in advance of Pre-Algebra, while offering a Pre-Algebra course that fully prepares students for high school Algebra 1 Honors. Elementary schools should create initiatives around achieving mastery and closely measure these foundations to ensure mastery.

Diocesan elementary schools may offer an Algebra 1 Honors course for those students who qualify. Only students who score a minimum of eight points on the Algebra Qualification Matrix may participate in Algebra 1 Honors for High School Credit, with Principal's approval and teacher recommendation.

Each Algebra 1 Honors course will consist of a minimum of 225 minutes per week for 36 weeks, though it is recommended that all levels of math consist of 250 minutes per week.

The Algebra 1 Honors teacher must be certified in math, optimally for grades 6-12, but Math certification in grades 5-9 is acceptable.

ALGEBRA 1 HONORS QUALIFICATION MATRIX

NAME _____	TOTAL _____	CLASS PLACEMENT _____			
AREA		3 POINTS	2 POINTS	1 POINT	SCORE
Iowa Algebra Aptitude Test	99-93%ILE	92-86%ILE	85-80%ILE		_____
Iowa Math Composite	99-93%ILE	92-86%ILE	85-76%ILE		_____
Pre-Algebra Class Final Grade Avg	100-93	92-86	85-80		_____
Iowa Science Composite	99-93%ILE	92-86%ILE	85-76%ILE		_____
Total Points					_____

To earn high school credit for middle school Algebra I Honors and move into high school Geometry, middle school students taking Algebra 1 Honors must meet the following minimum criteria:

Placement into Honors Geometry:

Grade of A- in Algebra 1 Honors, 5 of 5 on Algebra 1 EOC, 85%ILE on IOWA TEST

Placement into Geometry:

Grade of B in Algebra 1 Honors, 4 of 5 on Algebra 1 EOC, 76%ILE on IOWA TEST

Students with access to courses available through a virtual instruction program option, including the Florida Virtual School, shall receive credit for successful completion of Algebra 1 by meeting the following minimum criteria:

Placement into Geometry:

Grade of A- in Algebra 1 Honors, 4 of 5 on Algebra 1 EOC, 76%ILE on IOWA TEST

Grade of A in Algebra I Honors, 5 of 5 on Algebra 1 EOC, 90%ILE on IOWA TEST

In the extremely rare occurrence that a student took a math beyond Algebra 1 Honors in 8th grade, the student shall receive credit for successful completion of the math course and move to an honors section of the following course by meeting the following minimum criteria:

Grade of A- in the course, 5 of 5 on the EOC, 90%ILE on IOWA TEST