

**Public Schools of Edison Township
Office of Curriculum and Instruction
English Grouping Procedures (MS) for 2012-2013**

**Grade 6 English
(Level 1: Accelerated)**

Must meet **2** of the 3 criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (B+ or higher in Grade 5)
- NJASK (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of **240** or higher
- NJASK (May 2011) Persuasive Writing task score of 9-12

***New entrants must have a minimum of 80% national percentile in language arts skills if submitting a standardized test other than the NJASK for placement (e.g. Terranova)*



Students not placed in Grade 6 English (Level 1) be placed in Grade 6 English (Level 2)

**Grade 7 English
(Level 1: Accelerated)**

Must meet **2** of the 3 criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (B or higher in Grade 6)
- NJ NJASK (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of **250** or higher
- NJASK (May 2011) Persuasive Writing task score of 9-12

***New entrants must have a minimum of 80% national percentile in language arts skills if submitting a standardized test other than the NJASK for placement (e.g. Terranova)*



Students not placed in Grade 7 English (Level 1) will be placed in Grade 7 English (Level 2).

**Grade 8 English
(Honors)**

Must meet **2** of the 3 criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (A- or higher in Grade 7)
- NJ NJASK (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of **260** or higher
- NJASK (May 2011) Persuasive Writing task score of 10-12

***New entrants must have a minimum of 90% national percentile in language arts skills if submitting a standardized test other than the NJASK for placement (e.g. Terranova)*



Grade 8 English (Level 1: Accelerated)

Must meet the following criteria:

- Teacher recommendation
- Classroom performance of:
 - B or higher in Grade 7 Level 1 class
 - A- or higher in Grade 7 Level 2 class
- NJASK Language Arts Literacy score of 240 or higher
- NJASK Persuasive Writing Task score of 9-12

*** New entrants must have a minimum 80% national percentile in language arts skills*



Students not placed in Grade 8 English (Level 1) will be placed in Grade 8 English (Level 2).

Student Characteristics / Guidelines for English 8 Honors Placement:

- Exhibits a high level of proficiency with all vocabularies.
- Reads, responds, and interprets a variety of material with skill.
- Writes effectively in many modes, including well-developed multi-paragraph compositions according to rules of standard written English.
- Demonstrates interest/curiosity in exploring new ideas.
- Possesses a positive attitude, good study habits, and a mature sense of responsibility.
- Contributes skillfully as a leader and participant in whole/small group activities.