

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF EDISON TOWNSHIP
Office of Curriculum and Instruction
English Grouping Procedures 2012 - 2013

Grade 9 English Honors

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 8 Honors, A- or higher in Grade 8 English, Level 1)
- NJASK (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of **270** 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 9 Level 1 (Accelerated) English

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 8, Level 1, A- or higher in Grade 8, Level 2)
- NJASK (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of **240** or higher
- NJASK (May 2011) Persuasive Writing task score of 9-12

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Students not placed in Grade 9 English, Level 1, will be placed in Grade 9 English, Level 2.

Grades 10 English Honors

Must meet the following criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (C or higher in Grade 9 English Honors; A- or better in Grade 9, Level 1- Accelerated)
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 55-80; Writing – 55-80 **and /or**
- SAT: Critical Reading – 550-800; Writing – 550-800

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Grades 10 Level 1 (Accelerated) English:

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

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (C or higher in Grade 9 English, Level 1; A- or higher in Grade 9, Level 2)
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 40-54; Writing – 40-54 **and /or**
- SAT: Critical Reading – 400-540; Writing – 400-540

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Students not placed in Grade 10, Level 1, will be placed in Grade 10 English, Level 2.

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Grade 11 English Honors

Must meet the following criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (C or higher in Grade 10 English Honors; A- or better in Grade 10, Level 1- Accelerated)
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 60-80; Writing – 60-80 **and/or**
- SAT: Critical Reading – 600-800; Writing – 600-800

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Grade 11 Level 1 (Accelerated) English:

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

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (C or higher in Grade 10 English, Level 1; A- or higher in Grade 10, Level 2)
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 45-59; Writing – 45-59 **and/or**
- SAT: Critical Reading – 450-590; Writing – 450-590

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Students not placed in Grade 12 English, Level 1 will be placed in Grade 12 English, Level 2.

Grade 12, Level 1 (Accelerated) English

Must meet **3 of the 4** criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments (C or higher in Grade 11 English, Level 1; A- or better in Grade 11 English, Level 2)
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 50-59; Writing – 50-59
and/or
SAT: Critical Reading – 500-590; Writing – 500-590
- HSPA Language Arts Literacy Score of 240 or higher
- HSPA persuasive writing score of 8-12

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Students not placed in Grade 12 English, Level 1 will be placed in Grade 12 English, Level 2.

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AP Language and Composition (Grades 11 or 12)

Must meet the following criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments:
 - B or higher in Grade 10 Honors; A- or higher in Grade 10, Level 1 (Accelerated) English.
 - B or higher in Grade 11 Honors; A- or higher in Grade 11, Level 1 (Accelerated) English.
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 60-80; Writing – 60-80 **and/or** SAT: Critical Reading – 600-800; Writing – 600-800
- HSPA Language Arts Literacy Score of 270 or higher *
- HSPA persuasive writing Score of 10-12. *

* Connotes seniors only who must meet 3 of the 4 criteria.

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AP Literature and Composition (Grade 12)

Must meet **3 of the 4** criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
 - C or higher in AP Language and Composition
 - B or higher in Grade 11 English Honors
 - A- or higher in Grade 11, Level 1 (Accelerated) English
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 60-80; Writing – 60-80 **and/or** SAT: Critical Reading – 600-800; Writing – 600-800
- HSPA Language Arts Literacy Score of 270 or higher
- HSPA persuasive writing score of 10-12

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Student Characteristics / Guidelines for English Honors or AP 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.

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Mathematics Grouping Procedures (HS) for 2012-2013

	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
HONORS	Algebra 2 H(220) Geometry H (210)	Pre-Calculus H (230) Algebra 2H (220)	Calculus AP (AB) (240) Pre-Calculus H (230)	Advanced Calculus AP (BC) (250) Calculus AP (AB) (240)
ACCELERATED	Algebra 1-1 (211)	Geometry 1 (221)	Algebra 2-1 (231)	Calculus -1 (251) Trigonometry -1 (241)
REGULAR	Algebra 1-2 (212)	Geometry 2 (222)	Algebra 2-2 (232) Math 3 (233)	Trigonometry 2 (242) Math 4 (243)
BSI			HSPA Math 3 (283)	ASHA Math 4 (284)

Initial Placement in 9th Grade:

Geometry Honors:

- Teacher recommendation
- Projected final grade of C+ or better in Algebra 8 Honors
- Advanced Proficient on NJASK Grade 6 and 7

Algebra 1-1

- Teacher recommendation
- Projected final grade of C or better in Grade Level 1 or
 - A or better in Grade 8 Level 2
- Proficient on NJASK Grade 6 and 7

Algebra 1 – 2

- Students not placed in either of the above

DOUBLE HONORS – Geometry H AND Algebra 2 H

- Completes Algebra 8 with A or better in ALL marking periods
- Teacher recommendation
- Superior Performance on District Assessment/Placement test

To remain in current level of placement:

- Teacher recommendation
- Projected grade of C or better
- Passing math portion of grade level standardized test

To move up one level in mathematics placement

- Teacher recommendation
- Final average of A+ or better in current course
- Approval of math supervisor and principal who will review approved summer enrichment work, standardized test scores, mid-term and/or final examination grade and any other indicators of student achievement

To accelerate (skip a required course) Only available AFTER 9th grade

- Teacher recommendation
- Final average in current course of A- or better
- Approval of math supervisor and principal who will review approved summer enrichment work, standardized test scores, mid-term and/or final examination grade and any other indicators of student achievement
- Once approved student must complete a 120 Hour summer APPROVED summer course and receive an A- or higher

To double up in mathematics courses during the school year

- Approval of math supervisor and principal who will review approved summer enrichment work, standardized test scores, mid-term and/or final examination grade and any other indicators of student achievement
- Final grade of A- or higher in current class

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Science Grouping Procedures for 2012-2013

Grade 9 Biology Honors

Must meet **all** criteria:

- Grade 8 English: Level 1: A- or better
Honors: C+ or better
- Grade 9 Math: Currently enrolled in Geometry Honors
- 8th grade Science: A- or better
- End of Year 8th Grade Science Assessment: A- or better
- Teacher Recommendation



Grade 9 Level 1 Environmental Science

Grade 8 English and Math: Level 1: B or better
Honors: C or better

Must meet 2 of 3 criteria:

- 8th grade Science: B or better
- End of Year 8th Grade Science Assessment: C+ or better
- Teacher Recommendation



Students not placed in Grade 9 Honors Biology or Grade 9 Level 1 Environmental Science will be placed in Grade 9 Environmental Science Level 2

Grade 10 Chemistry

Honors Chemistry:

- Honors Biology: C+ or better

Level 1 Chemistry:

- Honors Biology: Lower than a C+



Grade 10 Biology Honors

Must have:

Grade 9 English and Math: Level 1: A- or better
Honors: C+ or better

And

- Environmental Science Honors: C+ or better

Or 2 of 3 criteria:

- Environmental Science Level 1: A- or better
- PSAT: Combined Math & Critical Reading, Score 115
- Teacher Recommendation



Grade 10 Level 1 Biology

- Completion of one year of Level 1 mathematics
- Environmental Science: C+ or better



Biology students not placed in Grade 10 Honors Biology or Grade 10 Level 1 Biology will be placed in Grade 10 Biology Level 2

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Grade 11 Physics

Honors Physics:

- Honors Chemistry: C+ or better

Level 1 Physics:

- Honors Chemistry: Lower than a C+



Grade 11 Honors Chemistry

Must have:

Grade 10 English and Math: Level 1: A- or better
Honors: C+ or better

And

- Honors Biology: C+ or better

Or 2 of 3 criteria:

- Biology Level 1: A- or better
- PSAT : Math Score 65 or better
- Teacher Recommendation



Grade 11 Level 1 Chemistry

Must have:

- Successful completion of 2 years Level 1 Math

and

- Successful completion of Biology Honors

Or

- Biology Level 1: C or better



Chemistry students not placed in Grade 11 Honors Chemistry or Grade 11 Level 1 Chemistry will be placed in Grade 11 Chemistry Level 2

Grade 12 Honors Physics

Must have:

Completed Pre-Calculus and concurrently enrolled in Calculus

And

- Honors Chemistry: C+ or better

Or 2 of 3 criteria:

- Chemistry Level 1: A- or better
- PSAT : Math Score 65 or better
- Teacher Recommendation



Grade 12 Level 1 Physics

Must have:

Completed Algebra 2 Level 1 and concurrently enrolled in Calculus or Trigonometry Level 1

and

- Successful completion of Chemistry Honors

Or

- Chemistry Level 1: C or better



Grade 12 Level 2 Physics

Must have

- Successfully completed Algebra 2 Level 2
- Enrolled in Trigonometry Level 2
- Successfully completed Chemistry-1 Level 2

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Electives:

AP Biology

Must have:

- Completed or concurrently taking Honors Physics or Physics Level 1

Must have 2 of 3:

- Honors Chemistry: C+ or better **or** Chemistry Level 1: A or better
- PSAT : Combined Math & Critical Reading, Score 125
- Teacher Recommendation

AP Chemistry

Must have:

- Completed or concurrently taking Honors Physics or Physics Level 1

- Completed Honors Algebra 2 **or** Algebra 2 Level 1

Must have 2 of 3:

- Honors Chemistry: C+ or better **or** Chemistry Level 1: A or better
- PSAT : Math Score 65 or better
- Teacher Recommendation

AP Physics

Must have:

- Completed or concurrently enrolled in Calculus

Must have 2 of 3:

- Honors Physics: C+ or better **or** Physics Level 1: A or better
- PSAT : Math Score 65 or better
- Teacher Recommendation

Forensics

Must have:

- Successfully completed Biology and Chemistry: C or better

Anatomy and Physiology

Must have:

- Successfully completed Biology and Chemistry: C or better

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Social Studies Grouping Procedures for 2012-2013

Grade 9 US History 1 Honors

Students will be placed based on their 9th grade Language Arts Academic Grouping level. Any change will be based on the following:

Must meet **4 of the 5** criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- B or higher in Grade 8 English Honors OR A- or higher in Grade 8 English Level 1,
- A- or higher in Grade 8 Social Studies
- NJASK7 (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of **270** or higher
- NJASK7 (May 2011) Persuasive Writing task score of 10-12



Grade 9 US History 1 Level 1

Must meet **4 of the 5** criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- B- or higher in Grade 8 English Honors OR A- or higher in Grade 8, English Level 1
- B- or higher in Grade 8 Social Studies
- NJASK7 (May 2011) Language Arts Literacy score of 240 or higher
- NJASK 7(May 2011) Persuasive Writing task score of 9-12

Students not placed in US History Honors or Level 1, will be placed in Grade 9 US History, Level 2.

Grades 10 US History 2 Advanced Placement

STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING US 1 HONORS WILL PROGRESS TO AP US HISTORY

Students earning a B+ final course grade in US History 1, Level 1 can move to AP US History with **3 of the following 4** criteria

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- Exam grade (performance assessment AND final exam combined) of B+ or higher
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 57-80; Writing – 57-80
- Final Grade of B- or higher in Grade 9 English Honors OR B+ or higher in Grade 9, English Level 1



Grades 10 US History 2 Level 1

Must meet **4 of the 5** criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 50 - 80; Writing – 50 - 80
- Final Grade of B- or higher in US History 1
- Final Grade of B- or higher in Grade 9 English Honors OR A- in grade 9 English Level 1

Students not placed in US History 2 AP or Grade 10 US History 2 Level 1 will be placed in Grade 10 US History 2, Level 2.

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Grade 11 AP World History

*STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING US HISTORY 2 AP
WILL PROGRESS TO AP WORLD HISTORY*

Students earning a final grade of B+ or higher in US 2, Level 1 can move up to AP World History with **3 of the 4** criteria

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 57-80; Writing – 57-80
- Exam grade (performance assessment AND final exam combined) in US 2, Level 1 of B+ or higher
- Final Grade of B- or higher in Grade 10 English Honors OR B+ or higher in Grade 10 English Level 1



Grade 11 World History Level 1

Must meet **4 of the 5** criteria:

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- PSAT: Critical Reading – 50-80; Writing – 50-80
- Final Grade of B- or higher in US History 2
- Final Grade of B- or higher in Grade 10 English Honors OR A- in Grade 10 English Level 1



Students not placed in AP World History or Grade 11 World History Level 1, will be placed in Grade 11 World History Level 2.

Grade 12, Advanced Placement Electives
AP American Government
AP European History

*STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING AP WORLD HISTORY
ARE AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE FOR EITHER COURSE*

Students earning a final grade of B+ or higher in World History Level 1 must meet **3 of the 4** criteria

- Teacher recommendation based on demonstrated achievement/ability as evidenced by classroom performance and/or assessments
- Have a minimum PSAT/SAT Verbal or Writing Score of 60/600
- Exam grade (performance assessment AND final exam combined) of A- or higher in World History Level 1
- Final Grade of B- or higher in Grade 11 English Honors OR A- or better in Grade 11 English, Level 1