

**Pine Mountain Middle School
2024-2025
Advanced Content Placement Criteria**

**A student must meet the requirements to be placed in an advanced class.
Placement is not determined by parent request.**

Class	6th Grade Requirement	7th Grade Requirement	8th Grade Requirement
6 th – 8 th AC Language Arts and Reading	1 of 4 Criteria 1. ≥77% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 2. ≥77% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) and ≥ 980 Winter or Spring 5 th grade RI 3. Distinguished on ELA GA Milestones 4. Complete 5 th Grade AC ELA and AC Reading	1 of 5 Criteria 1. Successfully complete 6 th Grade AC ELA @ PMMS 2. ≥80% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 3. ≥80% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) and ≥ 1050 Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI 4. ≥ 90 raw summative test average in On-Level ELA and ≥ 980 Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI 5. Distinguished on ELA GA Milestones	1 of 5 Criteria 1. Successfully complete 7 th Grade AC ELA @ PMMS 2. ≥80% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 3. ≥80% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 1121 Winter or Spring 7 th grade RI 4. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> test average in On-Level ELA and ≥ 1078 RI Winter or Spring 7 th grade RI 5. Distinguished on ELA GA Milestones
6 th – 8 th AC Social Studies	1 of 4 Criteria 1. ≥82% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 2. 76-81% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 3. 76-81% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥ 980 Winter or Spring 5 th grade RI 4. Qualify for AC ELA and AC Reading in 6 th grade	1 of 5 Criteria 1. Successfully complete 6 th Grade AC Social Studies @ PMMS 2. ≥88% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 3. 80-87% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) and ≥ 1050 Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI 4. ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 5. ≥90 raw <u>Summative</u> test average in On-Level Social Studies and ≥ 1050 RI Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI and ≥ 60% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade)	1 of 4 Criteria 1. Successfully complete 7 th Grade AC Social Studies @ PMMS 2. ≥81% Social Studies <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 3. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> test average in On-Level Social Studies and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 4. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> test average in On-Level Social Studies and ≥ 1121 RI Winter or Spring 7 th grade RI
6 th – 8 th AC Science	1 of 6 Criteria 1. ≥85% Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 2. 80-84% Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 3. 80-84% Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥980 Winter or Spring 5 th grade RI 4. ≥77% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR and ≥80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 5. ≥77% ELA <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) and ≥ 980 Winter or Spring 5 th grade RI 6. Distinguished on Science GA Milestones	1 of 6 Criteria 1. Complete 6 th grade AC Science @ PMMS 2. ≥88% Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 3. 80-87% Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) and 1071 Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI 4. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science and ≥ 1071 Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI 5. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science and ≥80% <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 6. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science and enrolled in AC Reading for 7 th grade and ≥ 1000 Winter or Spring 6 th grade RI	1 of 4 Criteria No Math Emphasis 1. Successfully complete AC 7 th Science @ PMMS 2. ≥ 80 Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 3. ≥ 80 Science <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 1100 Winter or Spring 7 th grade RI 3. ≥ 88 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science and ≥ 1100 Winter or Spring 7 th grade RI 4. ≥ 88 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science and ≥ 80% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade)
Advanced Math	1 of 3 Criteria 1. ≥65-79% Math <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 2. ≥ 754 Winter and Spring 5 th grade MI 3. 81-87% on the Advanced Math Screener (given the 1 st - 2 nd week of school)	1 of 5 Criteria 1. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Math 2. 87-89% raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Math and ≥ 836 Spring 6 th grade MI 3. ≥ 891 Winter and Spring 6 th grade MI 4. 70-79% raw Summative Test Average in Math 6/7 5. ≥ 81% on the 7 th grade math screener (given April of 6 th grade)	1 of 7 Criteria 1. Successfully complete Advanced Math 7 @ PMMS 2. ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Math 3. ≥85% raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Math and ≥ 1000 Spring 7 th grade MI 4. ≥85% Math <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 5. 70-79% raw Summative Test Average in Math 7/8 6. ≥ 80 on the 8 th grade math screener (given April of 7 th grade) and ≥80% raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Math

			7. ≥ 80 on the 8 th grade math screener (given April of 7 th grade) and ≥ 971 Spring 7 th grade MI
Math 6/7	1 of 3 Criteria 1. $\geq 80\%$ Math <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) 2. 75%-79% Math <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (5 th grade) and ≥ 772 Spring 5 th grade MI 3. $\geq 88\%$ on the Math 6/7 Screener (given the 1 st - 2 nd week of school)		
Math 7/8		Successfully complete Math 6/7 with ≥ 80 raw summative test average	
Algebra 1			See High School Courses Chart

* NPR = National Percentile

* RI = Reading Inventory

* MI = Math Inventory

* Milestones scores are usually received after the close of school. When Milestones scores are received, placement will change if criteria are met. Rising 6th grade students: we will not see the scores until July.

- **Gifted Identified Students only** – As required by the state Department of Education, all gifted identified students will receive services in at least one advanced content (AC) class in an area of strength.
- All placements are contingent upon teacher allotment and available space per class each year. Our goal is to serve at least the top 20% to 25% of our student population.

High School Credit Courses for 8th Grade ONLY

- Physical Science, Algebra, Spanish I, and VA Comp I are high school classes taught to middle school students. The classes are taught with the same expectations and rigor as any high school class.
- High school classes cannot be dropped after the start of the school year without penalty.
- Students receive 1 high school credit for each high school class that the student passes with a $\geq 70\%$.
- Students cannot retake a high school class once they receive a $\geq 70\%$ on their transcript in middle school.
- High school classes appear on the student's high school transcript; however, the grade DOES NOT factor into the student's Grade Point Average (GPA).

High School Physical Science Math Emphasis	1 of 4 Criteria 1. Qualify for Algebra I OR Advanced Math 8 and ≥ 80 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in AC Science or ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science 2. $\geq 85\%$ Science Total Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 85 Math Total Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 3. 80-84% Science Total Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 80 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in AC Science) and ≥ 1000 Spring 7 th grade MI 4. $\geq 85\%$ Science Total Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 90 raw <u>Summative</u> Test Average in On-Level Science and ≥ 1000 Spring 7 th grade MI
High School Spanish I	1 of 3 Criteria 1. $\geq 80\%$ Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) 2. ≥ 73 -79% Reading <u>Total</u> Iowa NPR (7 th grade) and ≥ 1121 Winter or Spring 7 th grade RI 3. ≥ 1200 Winter and ≥ 1200 Spring 7 th grade RI
Algebra 1	Student must successfully complete Math 7/8 with ≥ 80 summative test average.
Visual Arts Composition 1 (VA C OMP) This is a connections class NOT an academic class	Students are invited to the class by the instructor based on a submitted portfolio.

*For new registrations, some Advanced Content or high school classes in which your student may qualify may be at capacity and not available for scheduling.