McClure Middle School

Advanced Content Criteria 2026-2027

- A student must meet the specified requirements to be placed in an advanced class.
- Placement is not determined by parent request or teacher recommendation.
- Gifted-Identified Students Only: As required by the state DOE, all gifted-identified students will receive services in at least one 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.
- Students must have demonstrated success and progress in the previous year's class.

Course	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
AC ELA	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 5th Grade Iowa Total ELA NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 5th Grade ELA Milestone score ≥587 (Level 4 Distinguished) • 5th Grade Milestone Lexile ≥1071 **AND** • 5th Grade ELA Grade ≥90 (or AC ELA ≥80)	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 5th Grade Iowa Total ELA NPR ≥85th percentile • 6th Grade ELA Milestone score ≥599 (Level 4 Distinguished) • 6th Grade Milestone Lexile ≥1121 **AND** • 6th Grade On-Level ELA summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 6th Grade AC ELA summative assessment average of 80 or higher	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 7th Grade Iowa Total ELA NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 7th Grade ELA Milestone score ≥592 (Level 4 Distinguished) • 7th Grade Milestone Lexile ≥1186 **AND** • 7th Grade On-Level ELA summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 7th Grade AC ELA summative assessment average of 80 or higher
AC Social Studies	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 5th Grade IOWA Total Reading NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 5th Grade IOWA SS Total NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 5th Grade Milestones Lexile ≥ 1071 **AND** • 5th Grade SS Grade ≥90 (or AC SS ≥80)	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 5th Grade IOWA Total Reading NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 5th Grade IOWA SS Total NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 6th Grade Milestones Lexile ≥1121 **AND** • 6th Grade On-Level SS summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 6th Grade AC SS summative assessment average of 80 or higher	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 7th Grade IOWA Total Reading NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 7th Grade IOWA SS Total NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 7th Grade Milestone Lexile ≥1186 **AND** • 7th Grade On-Level SS summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 7th Grade AC SS summative assessment average of 80 or higher
AC Science	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 5th Grade IOWA Total Science NPR ≥80th percentile • 5th Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥80th percentile • 5th Grade Science Milestones score (Level 4 Distinguished) • 5th Grade Milestones Lexile ≥ 1071 **AND** • 5th Grade Science Grade ≥90 (or AC SS ≥80)	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 6th Grade ELA **AND** Math Milestone score in Level 3 or higher • Currently placed in Accelerated Math • 6th Grade Milestones Lexile ≥1121 **AND** • 6th Grade On-Level Science summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 6th Grade AC Science summative assessment average of 80 or higher	**Must meet 2 of the following:** • 7th Grade IOWA Total Science NPR • ≥ 65th Percentile • 7th Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥ 60th percentile • 7th Grade Milestone Lexile ≥1186 **AND** • 7th Grade On-Level Science summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 7th Grade AC Science summative assessment average of 80 or higher

High School Physical Science			**Must meet 3 of the following:** • Currently placed in Accelerated Math (Algebra or Higher) • 7th Grade IOWA Total Reading NPR ≥85th percentile • 7th Grade IOWA Total Science NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 7th Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 7th Grade Milestone Lexile ≥1186 **AND** • 7th Grade On-Level Science summative assessment average of 90 or higher • 7th Grade AC Science summative assessment average of 80 or higher
Advanced Math **Must maintain an 80 raw test average for the year to stay in Advanced Math**	**Must meet <u>BOTH</u> of the following:** • 5th-Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥ 50th percentile **AND** • 5th Grade Math Milestones score ≥ 585	**Must meet <u>ONE</u> of the following:** • 6th Grade Math Milestones score ≥ (Level 4 if in Math 6) • 6th Grade Math Milestones score ≥ (Level 3 or higher if in ADV Math 6) **AND** • 6th Grade On-Level Summative Assessment average of 90 or higher in Math 6 • 6th Grade AC Summative Assessment average of 80 or higher in Adv Math 6 • 6th Grade ACC Summative Assessment average of less than 80 in Math 6/7	**Must meet TWO of the following:** • 7th Grade Total IOWA Math NPR ≥ 85th percentile • 7th Grade Math Milestones score ≥ (Level 4 if in Math 7) • 7th Grade Math Milestones score ≥ (Level 3 or higher if in ADV Math 7) **AND** • 7th Grade On-Lvl Summative Assessment average of 90 or higher in Math 6 • 7th Grade AC Summative Assessment average of 80 or higher in Adv Math 6 • 7th Grade ACC Summative Assessment average of less than 80 in Math 7/8
Accelerated Math Classes **6th Grade: 6/7** **7th Grade: 7/8** **8th Grade: ALG I** **Must maintain an 80 raw test average for the year to stay in Accelerated Math**	**Math 6/7** **Must meet <u>ONE</u> of the following:** • 5th Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥ 75th percentile **OR** • 5th Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥ 70th percentile ***<u>AND</u>*** • 5th Grade Milestones score ≥ 570	**Math 7/8** **Must meet the following:** • 6th Grade Summative Assessment Average of 80 or higher in Math 6/7	**Algebra I** **Must meet the following:** 7th Grade Summative Assessment Average of 80 or higher in Math 7/8
	Math 7/8 **Must meet the following:** • 5th Grade IOWA Total Math NPR ≥ 99th percentile • Parent/Guardian approval for Course *Probationary period applies – Students who fail to maintain grades will be moved out per agreement letter	**Algebra I** **Must meet the following:** • 6th Grade Summative Assessment Average of 80 or higher in Math 7/8	

High School Credit Courses:			**World Language** **Must meet <u>BOTH</u> of the following:** • 7th Grade IOWA Total Reading NPR ≥80th percentile **AND** • 7th Grade Milestones Lexile ≥ 1185 **Visual Arts** – Applications must be submitted to Supervising Teacher and Criteria Met