

El Sol Science and Arts Academy of Santa Ana An Excellent Public School

Mathematics

Students from 6th-8th grade have the opportunity to take advanced mathematics courses. Please refer to table below for qualifications.

In <u>Pre-Algebra</u> (compacted Math 6 and Math 7) Students learn the concept of rates and ratios while using tables, graphs, and equations to solve real-world problems involving proportional relationships. Students accurately compute all four operations with multi-digit decimals and work on gaining automaticity in solving multi-step problems involving positive and negative rational numbers. Students expand their knowledge of geometry and apply properties of operations to solve real world problems involving multi-dimensional objects.

In <u>Algebra</u> (compacted Math 8 and HS traditional pathway: Algebra I) Students formalize and extend the mathematics that students learned in Math 6 and Math 7. Instruction deepens and extends understanding of linear and exponential relationships by contracting them with each other and by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend, and students engage in methods for analyzing, solving and using quadratic functions.

In <u>Geometry</u> (HS traditional pathway: Geometry), students formalize and extend students' geometric experiences from the middle grades. They explore complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments.

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Grade Level			Teacher Recommendation	Math Report Card Grades Trimester 1 (if available)	Placement Test
Math 6	->	Grade 6 Pre-Algebra (Compacted Math 6 and Math 7)	YES	80%+	80%+
Math 7	-	Accelerated Math 7 (Compacted Math 7 and 1/2 Math 8)	YES	80%+	80%+
Accelerated Math 7 (Compacted Math 7 and 1/2 Math 8)	-	Grade 7 Algebra (Compacted Grade 8 Math and HS Traditional Pathway Algebra)	YES	80%+	80%+
Grade 8 Algebra (Compacted Math 6 and Traditional Pathway Algebra)	4	Grade 8 Geometry (HS Traditional Pathway Geometry)	YES	80%+	80%+

Placement Test. As a predictor of the students likely academic success, the placement test will include items which cover content that will be skipped if acceleration occurs.