

## **Math Placement for Ninth-Grade Students**

Students entering ninth grade are placed into Secondary Math I which is the state recommended foundational math course for ninth grade students.

Students may request to be placed into Secondary Math II if:

- Evidence is provided that they have satisfactorily completed a Secondary Math I course which is aligned to USBE's Secondary Math I core standards.
  - Evidence may include but is not limited to results from a comprehensive final assessment aligned to Secondary Math I standards or
  - Documentation of successful completion of a Secondary Math I course that has been verified to be aligned to state standards.
- Students who have not taken a formal Secondary Math I course can be placed into a Secondary Math II course upon successful completion of the approved Secondary Math I competency assessment.

Credit begins to generate when a student enters ninth grade. Students who complete Secondary Math I before their ninth-grade year are required to earn three math credits in high school that should include Secondary Math II, Secondary Math III, and an additional approved math course. As per R277-700-6(9) student who complete calculus with a C or better will fulfill all of their math requirements. It is highly recommended that students enroll in a math course every year to maintain their mathematical knowledge and skills. Although it is not needed to be on track for graduation, for students contemplating graduating early, credit for Secondary Math I can be earned in the summer prior to their ninth-grade year by taking an approved Secondary Math I competency assessment arranged through the counseling department to be given by the district.