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Dear Parents/Guardians of 6th Grade Students,

In an effort to ensure that all students have access to the most appropriate math course that will meet their needs as a 7th grader, all 6th grade students in the PYLUSD will take a math placement test in late February or March. This measure will provide administrators with preliminary placement information.

Students will also take an end of grade level assessment to confirm or adjust placement decision-making for each student.

If your child is currently taking **Math 6**, these assessments will confirm readiness for 7th grade math, let administrators know which students need additional intervention, and identify exceptionally high students who may be able to move to Math 7/8 accelerated as a 7th grader. This would be contingent upon the passage of the Math 6/7 accelerated End of Course Test.

If your child is currently enrolled in a **Math 6/7 accelerated** course, these assessments will identify students who are prepared to continue along the accelerated pathway and identify the highest performing students to invite to a Math 7/8 summer school class.

If your child is currently enrolled in a **Math 7/8 accelerated** course, these assessments will identify students who are prepared to continue into Algebra 1.

Information regarding your child's math placement for 7th grade will be sent to you the last week of school. At that time, should you feel that your child was not placed in the appropriate course, he/she will have the opportunity to take a challenge math placement assessment in June. Challenge test registration information will be provided in the placement information letter.

The goal of the PYLUSD math placement assessments is to enroll students in the appropriate math course that is suited to their needs. Additional information regarding math pathways and placement is available on the [PYLUSD secondary math webpage](#).

Sincerely,

The PYLUSD Educational Services Math Team

The PYLUSD Advantage
Focus Area 1.0: Academic Achievement

Student achievement is at the core of the PYLUSD mission and vision. We expect all students to demonstrate continued and improved academic achievement in order to emerge college and career ready. In addition, students are provided an array of enrichment opportunities to expand their educational experience.