



Perry Local Schools

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

I wanted to inform you of the process Pfeiffer Intermediate and Edison Middle School will be using to select students for honors level courses next school year. Students may be selected for honors courses in language arts and/or math using a variety of criteria. The details of each course's selection process are outlined below.

The criteria listed below are for current 6th grade students in **on-level** language arts and math courses to move into honors language arts and/or pre-algebra.

Language Arts:

Students will be considered based on their previous OAA Reading score, SRI level, 1st 9 weeks language arts grades, teacher recommendation and a written essay. A rubric will be used and points assigned for each criterion. Students must meet a qualifying score in order to be recommended.

Math:

To qualify for Pre-Algebra students must have:

Earned a 1st semester average of an A or B

and

Scored Advanced or Accelerated on previous OAA

and

Been recommended by his/her teacher (based on homework completion, utilization of retakes, common assessment scores, moby max progress, and overall student performance)

Students not meeting the criteria for honors language arts and pre-algebra will continue in their on-level courses.

Testing for placement into honors level courses will take place the week of December 9, 2013. Recommendations for next year's course placements will be indicated on your child's 2nd 9 weeks report card. If you have any questions or concerns about the testing and selection process please do not hesitate to call the school office or contact your child's teacher.

Sincerely,

Chad Merritt

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Mission Statement

*To emphasize excellence in learning and provide opportunities for every child to realize his/her potential in a safe environment.
To encourage students to become responsible productive citizens and lifelong learners.*