Math Placement Clarification for Incoming Freshmen

Students attending our Diocesan Middle schools (partner schools) are allowed by the Department of Education to take the End-of-Course (EOC) examination through the public school system. It is the responsibility of the parents to contact and register their students with the public school district.

The Diocesan high schools will accept credit for Algebra 1 based on passing the EOC exam. The results of the EOC exam will appear on the high school transcript but will not be factored into the GPA; students will still be required to complete four years of the Diocesan Catholic high school math program. It will not be included in the required graduation credits (28).

Students who have been accepted to our Catholic high schools are academically placed in Mathematics based on the current documentation: 8th grade course and grades in Mathematics, our admissions/placement exam scores, previous standardized scores, and any other available information. If there are placement concerns or questions from the family, those students may be asked to take an Algebra 1 Proficiency test to be placed into Geometry or Geometry Honors. The results of these evaluations will be used as additional reference for our placement determination. Students who take Algebra I in 8th grade, and are placed in high school Algebra I, will be awarded credit through the Diocesan high school course. Students who take Algebra I in 8th grade, and are placed in Geometry by the high school, will be given high school credit for the class, but this credit will not be factored into the GPA; it will not be included in the required graduation credits (28).

The same placement policy will apply to students transferring from public schools.