Honors Program Information

Students who have demonstrated high achievement, interest, and/or potential in one or more academic areas may be ready to take honors classes. Enrollment in honors classes takes place in the spring during the course selection process. At that time, sites would assist students in choosing which science, English and/or social studies honors classes will best meet their academic needs.

The curriculum and instruction in honors classes are designed to engage and challenge advanced learners, e.g. problem-based learning, research, and investigations. Honors classes provide opportunities to build on individual academic strengths, develop critical and creative thinking skills, and prepare students for advanced coursework in high school, i.e. Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate at Mira Loma, or traditional High School Honors courses.

**Honors Indicators of Success**

- Demonstrated Interest / Curiosity in the subject area.
- Previous attainment of prerequisite skills and vocabulary in the subject area.
- Motivation remains high in the face of challenges.
- High frustration threshold.
- Reads above grade level.
- Engages in higher critical thinking.
- Self-motivated, well organized and apt to work independently for extended periods.
- Demonstrated ability to self-advocate, seeks help and guidance when needed.
- Consistently completes and submits assignments on time.

**Honors Program Placement Criteria**

**Honors English**
Winter MAP Language Arts score
Language Arts Report Card
Teacher Recommendation

**Honors Social Studies**
Winter MAP Language Arts
Social Studies/ELA Report Card
Teacher Recommendation

**Honors Science**
Winter MAP ELA & Math
Math, Science/ELA Report Card
Teacher Recommendation

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