



Turner Unified School District #202

Turner High School

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"Empower students to be self-motivated, responsible learners within a diverse and digital society."

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8th Grade Students and Families-

Enrollment is just around the corner and before we know it you will be here at THS! I wanted to take a moment to send some information regarding placement in advanced courses for your student's freshman year. Enrolling in these courses can assist with college readiness and may place students on a trajectory to have more opportunities for concurrent enrollment for college credit as an upperclassman. We offer advanced options in three core areas for 9th graders: English, Science, and Math.

To qualify for placement in Advanced English 9, students must meet the following requirements:

- Fall in the 75th percentile or higher on the Spring Reading MAP
- Score at performance level 3 or above on the 8th grade Kansas ELA assessment
- Earn a B or higher both semesters in English 8
- Teacher recommendation may replace one of these criteria if one 2/3 are met

To qualify for Advanced Biology, students must meet the following requirements:

- B or higher in 8th grade science
- Teacher recommendation

9th grade math placement is determined using a formula. To view the rubric for math placement, please review page 20 of the 24-25 THS Course Handbook. As a note, students must take 3 years of math in high school, middle school math courses may only count as elective credits. The following factors are considered for math placement:

- Math Winter MAP assessment
- Kansas 8th grade math assessment
- 7th grade math grade
- 8th grade math grade
- Teacher rating

Additional information about these classes, their requirements, weighted courses, GPA, class rank, and all courses at Turner High School can be found in the 24-25 THS Course Handbook at this link <https://www.flipsnack.com/6C76A6AA9F7/2024-2025-course-handbook-ths/full-view.html>

We are so excited to get to know you and have you join our THS family! Please reach out if you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance.

Best,

Dr. Alex Supple