

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Milford, Delaware 19963

POLICY

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HONORS DUAL ENROLLMENT

The goal of the Milford School District's Honors/AP/Dual Enrollment Program is to provide an opportunity for enrichment and advancement to all students providing them with the highest academic challenge available in the Milford School District. The process begins at the end of fifth grade. All students will be evaluated on a yearly basis for placement in the Honors/AP/Dual Enrollment program. Selection will be based upon various data gathered throughout the year.

Selection: Qualified students need to meet all established requirements for acceptance into one or more of the Honors/AP/Dual Enrollment courses. Academic Challenge (AC) students may qualify for Honors content area(s) in which they are not enrolled in at Delaware Tech. Criteria for acceptance into an Honors/AP/Dual Enrollment course includes, but is not limited to, state assessments results, district assessments scores, grades, and content specific placement test scores.

Program Requirements: Student performance is reviewed on an annual basis. Students enrolled in AP courses are required to complete the coursework and any designated seminars. Students must also take the corresponding AP exams to receive a weighted grade. Students who meet the program requirements for financial aid may be eligible for assistance with the cost of the AP exam(s). All Honors, AP, and Dual Enrollment courses at the High School level will be weighted for their GPA.

Description of different academic levels:

- ***Honors Courses:*** *Honors courses are first offered in grade 6 for ELA and Math and in grade 8 for Science and Social Studies, with additional Honors courses offered throughout High School. These courses move at an accelerated pace and often have more outside reading and homework requirements.*
- ***Advanced Placement (AP):*** *Advanced Placement courses prepare students for college work and are equivalent to freshman courses at a university. These courses teach students to think more deeply about complex college concepts. Successful completion of the course offers students the opportunity to sit for the Advanced Placement exam for college credits. Most exams are worth 3 college credits but can count for up to 8 college credits. While the acceptance of these scores varies from school to school, all colleges consider strength of schedule in the admissions process. AP courses help distinguish a student in this process. Students who take AP courses are required to take the exam to receive the weighted credit for the course in their cumulative GPA. Tests are in May and financial aid is available for those who qualify.*

- **Dual Enrollment:** *Dual Enrollment courses are college courses taught by Milford High School faculty. MHS faculty act as adjunct professor and teach the college course during the school day. Students taking Dual Enrollment courses earn high school and college credit at the same time. Students receive a transcript from the partnering college once credit is earned.*

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