Placement Criteria for Grades 6, 7, and 8

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Marietta Sixth Grade Academy Placement Criteria				
Current Course	**Final Grade**	**Achievement Score(s)**	**Recommended Course**	**Notes**
5th Grade Math	≥ 90% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 80% NPR **and** Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Accelerated Math 6/7*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
	≥ 80% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors Math 6*	A Gifted/Honors course.
	≤ 79% in Math	Math MAP ≤ 64% NPR **and** Math EOG ≤ Developing	Math 6	Consideration for Honors Math 6 will be given to students who exceed the placement criteria.
Advanced Content 5th Grade Math	≥ 85% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 80% NPR **and** Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Accelerated Math 6/7*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
	≤ 84% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors Math 6*	A Gifted/Honors course.
	≤ 84% in Math	Math MAP < 65% NPR **or** Math EOG < Proficient	Math 6	
5th Grade Science	≥ 80% in both Science and Reading	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** **ELA EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors Science 6*	A Gifted/Honors course.
5th Grade Science	NA	NA	Science 6	
5th Grade ELA	≥ 80% in both ELA and Reading	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** **ELA EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors ELA 6*	A Gifted/Honors course.
	NA	NA	ELA 6	
5th Grade Social Studies	≥ 80% in both SS and Reading	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR	Honors SS 6*	A Gifted/Honors course.
	NA	NA	SS 6	

*Gifted probationary status will be in effect for all students who do not maintain an average ≥ 80%.
**Due to the implementation of new state-wide ELA standards, the EOG scores will not be received in time for student placement considerations for the 2026-2027 school year.

Placement in one of the other Accelerated/Honors courses is subject to meeting the placement criteria. Students working above grade level may submit a waiver to be considered for placement in an Honors or Accelerated course. Scheduling is contingent upon course availability and assessment scores.

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Marietta Middle School 7th Grade Placement Criteria				
Current Course	**Final Grade**	**Achievement Score(s)**	**Recommended Course**	**Notes**
Accelerated Math 6/7	≥ 80% in Math	NA – Accelerated Math 6/7 required	Accelerated Math 7/8*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
Honors Math 6	≥ 80% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors Math 7*	A Gifted/Honors course.
Math 6	NA	NA	Math 7	
Honors Science 6	≥ 80% in both Science and ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** **ELA EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors Science 7*	A Gifted/Honors course.
Science 6	NA	NA	Science 7	
Honors ELA 6	≥ 80% in ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** **ELA EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors ELA 7*	A Gifted/Honors course.
ELA 6	NA	NA	ELA 7	
Honors Social Studies 6	≥ 80% in both SS and ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR	Carnegie World Geography*	A Gifted/Advanced Content High School course.
Social Studies 6	NA	NA	SS 7	

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Marietta Middle School 8th Grade Placement Criteria				
Current Course	**Final Grade**	**Achievement Score(s)**	**Recommended Course**	**Notes**
Accelerated Math 7/8	≥ 80% in Math	NA – Accelerated Math 7/8 required	Carnegie Honors Algebra: Concepts and Connections *	A Gifted/Advanced Content High School course with a required End of Course Test.
Honors Math 7	≥ 80% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Carnegie Enhanced Algebra: Concepts and Connections* or Honors Math 8	
Math 7	NA	NA	Math 8	
Honors Science 7	≥ 80% in both Science and Math	Math MAP ≥ 80% NPR and Reading MAP ≥ 80%	Carnegie Physical Science*	A Gifted/Advanced Content High School course with a required End of Grade Test.
Honors Science 7	≥ 80% in Science	Math Map ≥ 65% NPR and Reading MAP ≥ 65%	Honors Science 8 (for students who do not meet the criteria for Carnegie Physical Science)	.
Science 7	NA	NA	Science 8	
Honors ELA 7	≥ 80% in ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 80% NPR **and** **ELA EOG = Proficient or Distinguished	Carnegie Enhanced Literature and Composition I*	A Gifted/Advanced Content High School course with a required End of Grade Test.
Honors ELA 7	≥ 80% in ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR **or** **ELA EOG = Proficient	Honors ELA 8*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
ELA 7	NA	NA	ELA 8	
Carnegie World Geography	≥ 80% in SS	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR	Honors SS 8*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
Social Studies 7	NA	NA	SS 8	

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World Language Placement Criteria				
Current Course	**Final Grade**	**Achievement Score(s)**	**Recommended Course**	**Notes**
Spanish or French 6	≥ 80%	Reading MAP ≥ 80% NPR	Carnegie Spanish/French I AB*	A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
	≤ 79%	Reading MAP ≤ 79% NPR	Spanish or French 7	
Spanish or French 7	≥ 80%	Reading MAP ≥ 80% NPR	Carnegie Spanish/French I AB*	A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
	≤ 79%	Reading MAP ≤ 79% NPR	Spanish or French 8	
Spanish/French IAB	≥ 70%	NA	Carnegie Spanish/French IIAB*	A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
	≤ 70%	NA	Carnegie Spanish/French I AB*	A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.

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Fine Arts Elective Options

Marietta Sixth Grade Academy Placement Criteria	
General Interest	Advanced Study Options
Art 6	NA
Band 6	NA
Chorus 6	Advanced Chorus 6 (placement by audition only)
Orchestra 6	NA
Theatre 6	Advanced Theatre 6 (placement by audition only)
General Music 6	NA

All general interest Fine Arts courses are offered to students at MSGA. Placement in a requested general interest Fine Arts course is subject to availability.

MSGA and MMS Gifted Academic Elective Options

Course Name	Gifted Identified Students	Notes
Gifted Resource 6 Gifted Resource 7 Gifted Resource 8	Students who are currently identified as Gifted have the option of choosing the Gifted Resource class in lieu of PE or World Language	For Gifted level learners only

Marietta Middle School Placement Criteria			
Area	Elective Choice (no audition required)	Advanced Study Options (audition or portfolio submission required)	Notes:
Art		Advanced Art 7	
		Carnegie Visual Arts/Comprehensive I	A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
Band	Beginning Band 7 and 8		
		Intermediate Band 7 and 8	
		Advanced Band 7 and 8	
Chorus	Beginning Chorus 7 and 8		
		Intermediate Chorus 7 and 8	
		Advanced Chorus 7 and 8	
Orchestra	Beginning Orchestra 7 and 8		
		Intermediate Orchestra 7 and 8	
Theatre		Advanced Theatre 7	
		Carnegie Theatre Arts/Acting I	A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.

MMS offers a variety of general interest Fine Arts courses on the Exploratory Wheel. The courses listed in the table above in the Advanced Study Options column require an audition/submission of work for placement.