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Definitions

Honors: Courses labeled Honors are more rigorous, in-depth courses.

Accelerated: Courses labeled Accelerated cover the standards of 1.5 courses over one school year.

Carnegie: Courses labeled Carnegie are high school courses for which students earn Carnegie credit towards graduation. Students taking these courses need to be aware that while the credit counts toward graduation, the grade is **NOT** included in the high school Grade Point Average (GPA). Students may not decline credit for these courses, and students will not be allowed to retake the course at the high school if credit is earned.

Marietta Sixth Grade Academy Placement Criteria Class of 2029				
Current Course	Final Grade	Achievement Score(s)	Recommended Course	Notes
5 th 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 5 th 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	
5 th Grade Science	≥ 80% in both ELA and Reading	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR or ELA EOG ≥ Proficient	Honors Science 6*	A Gifted/Honors course.
5 th Grade Science	NA	NA	Science 6	
5 th 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	
5 th 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%.

Gifted identified students are automatically served in Honors Social Studies. 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.



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Marietta Middle School 7 th Grade Placement Criteria Class of 2028				
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	
**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	
Advanced Content 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	
Advanced Content Social Studies 6	≥ 80% in SS	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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**For the 2021-2022 school year, students who were in the Enhanced course for Math 6 are now eligible for Honors Math 7 if the criteria are met. Students who were in the Enhanced course for ELA 6 are eligible for Honors ELA 7 if the criteria are met. There is no longer an Enhanced course offering for Science or Social Studies in grade 7, but the criteria to qualify for Honors in these areas has been changed to ≥ 65% NPR in Reading on the MAP test.

Gifted identified students are automatically served in Honors Social Studies. 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 course.



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Marietta Middle School 8 th Grade Placement Criteria Class of 2027				
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 I * or Carnegie Accelerated Algebra I/ Geometry A*	A Gifted/Advanced Content High School course with a required End of Course Test worth 20% of the final grade.
Enhanced Math 7	≥ 80% in Math	Math MAP ≥ 65% NPR or Math EOG ≥ Proficient	Enhanced Math 8	
Math 7	≤ 79% in Math	Math MAP ≤ 64% NPR or Math EOG ≤ Developing	Math 8	
Enhanced 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.
Enhanced Science 7	≥ 80% in Science	Math Map ≥ 65% NPR and Reading MAP ≥ 65%	Enhanced Science 8 (for students who do not meet the criteria for Carnegie Physical Science)	
Science 7	≤ 79% in Science	Math MAP ≤ 64% NPR	Science 8	
Advanced Content ELA 7	≥ 80% in ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 80% NPR or ELA EOG = Distinguished	Advanced Content ELA 8*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
Enhanced ELA 7	≥ 80% in ELA	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR or ELA EOG = Proficient	Enhanced ELA 8	
ELA 7	≤ 79% in ELA	Reading MAP ≤ 64% NPR or ELA EOG ≤ Developing	ELA 8	
Advanced Content Social Studies 7	≥ 80% in SS	Reading MAP ≥ 80% NPR	Advanced Content SS 8*	A Gifted/Advanced Content course.
Enhanced Social Studies 7	≥ 80% in SS	Reading MAP ≥ 65% NPR	Enhanced SS 8	
Social Studies 7	≤ 79% in SS	Reading MAP ≤ 64% NPR	SS 8	

*Gifted probationary status will be in effect for all students who do not maintain an average ≥ 80%.

Consideration for Enhanced Science, ELA, and SS will be given to students who exceed the placement criteria.

Gifted identified students are automatically served in Advanced Content SS. Placement in one of the other Accelerated/Advanced Content courses is subject to meeting the placement criteria.



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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*	Everyday schedule. A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
	≤ 79%	Reading MAP ≤ 79% NPR	Spanish or French 7	A/B schedule
Spanish or French 7	≥ 80%	Reading MAP ≥ 80% NPR	Carnegie Spanish/French I AB*	Everyday schedule. A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
	≤ 79%	Reading MAP ≤ 79% NPR	Spanish or French 8	A/B schedule
Spanish/French IAB	≥ 70%	NA	Carnegie Spanish/French IIAB*	Everyday schedule. A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.
	≤ 70%	NA	Carnegie Spanish/French I AB*	Everyday schedule. A high school content course worth 1.0 credit.



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Fine Arts Elective Options

Marietta Sixth Grade Academy Placement Criteria Class of 2029	
General Interest	Advanced Study Options
Art 6	NA
Band 6	NA
Chorus 6	NA
Orchestra 6	NA
Theatre 6	Advanced Theatre 6 (placement by audition only)

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.

Marietta Middle School Placement Criteria Classes of 2028 and 2027		
Area	Elective Choice (no audition required)	Advanced Study Options (audition or portfolio submission required)
Art		Advanced Art 7 and 8
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 Advanced Theatre 7 and 8
Theatre		Advanced Theatre 7 and 8

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.