

Palmer Middle School
Advanced Content Course Placement Criteria
2017-2018

Course	6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
AC Language Arts	≥ 75%ile ELA IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade)	≥ 80%ile ELA IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade) OR Successful completion of AC ELA in 6 th grade	≥ 80%ile ELA IOWA National Percentile Rank (7 th Grade) OR Successful completion of AC ELA in 7 th grade
AC Social Studies	≥ 85 %ile SS IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade)	≥ 80%ile SS IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade) OR Successful completion of AC SS in 6 th grade	≥ 80%ile SS IOWA National Percentile Rank (7 th Grade) OR Successful completion of AC SS in 7 th grade
AC Science	≥78%ile Sci IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade)	≥ 75%ile Sci IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade) OR Successful completion of AC Sci in 6 th grade	*High school credit course Must be enrolled in a high school credit math course in 8 th grade OR Successful completion of AC Science in 7 th grade AND have a Lexile score of 1000 or higher
Advanced Math 6	≥ 60%ile - 79%ile Math IOWA National Percentile Rank (5th grade)	NA	NA
Math 6/7	≥ 80%ile Math IOWA National Percentile Rank (5 th Grade)	NA	NA
Advanced Math 7	NA	Successful completion of Adv. Math 6	NA
Math 7/8	NA	Successful completion of Math 6/7	NA
Advanced Math 8	NA	NA	Successful completion of Adv. M 7 OR 80%ile in IOWA Math
Algebra I	NA	NA	*High school credit course Must successfully complete Math 7/8 ≤94%ile IOWA Math in 7 th grade
Algebra I Geometry A	NA	NA	*High school credit course Must successfully complete Math 7/8 ≥ 95%ile IOWA Math in 7 th grade OR Must successfully complete Math 7/8 ≥93% Math 7/8 Test Avg.
World Languages	NA	NA	*High school credit course ≥ 60%ile on Reading IOWA National Percentile Rank (7th grade) OR ≥ 1150 Lexile Level in 7 th grade AND 2016 ELA EOG Level 3 Score

- Lexile scores are taken from 2016 EOG or RI assessments during the 2016-2017 school year. The highest Lexile score is taken from these assessments and used for 2017-2018 placement criteria.
- AVID students may be placed in AC classes due to AVID program requirements.
- All gifted-identified students will automatically be placed into and receive services in:
 - Advanced Content (AC) Language Arts
 - Advanced Content (AC) Social Studies
 - Advanced Content (AC) Science