

Questions about the Math program at St. Chris

Starting in 6th grade students are placed in either an on-level or Honors Math class. This placement is based on several criteria including; IOWA test scores, prior math grades, an end of year Math test given at the end of 5th grade, & teacher recommendation. This system is fluid. If a student is not successful in the honors class they can be moved to the on-level class. And, if a student is soaring through the on-level class they could be moved to the honors class.

Students who are in the On-Level Math class will be ready to take Algebra I their freshman year in high school. If any student attends Butler High School they will have the opportunity to move into the upper math classes by doubling up their math classes. Meaning that they can take Geometry and Algebra II simultaneously their freshman year. This would allow students to take Calculus their Senior year in high school.

Students who are in the Honors Math class at St. Chris will complete Algebra I by the end of 8th grade. They also may have the opportunity to finish Geometry their 8th grade as well. Each student that takes Algebra I & Geometry at St. Chris are given the End of Course exam(s) that will count toward their high school graduation requirements. Our honors math teacher is certified through 12th grade so these Math classes will count toward their Math requirements. Our school is the only K-8 building in the Dayton Deanery of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati that offers Geometry. These students will start high school in an Algebra II class.