

Staunton High School
MATH COURSE PLACEMENT GUIDELINES

The transition from Geometry to Transition Algebra or Algebra II can cause students to be uncertain about their next year's placement in math courses. We wanted to confirm the guidelines for math courses.

The prerequisite for Transition Algebra states that the student must have completed "Algebra I and Geometry, with a minimum grade of C recommended for grades 11-12 or permission from administration; juniors who did not meet or exceed on the PSAT the prior year are eligible for Transition Algebra."

The prerequisite for Algebra II states that the student must have completed "Algebra I and Geometry with a minimum grade of C recommended or permission of administration; juniors who met or exceeded on the PSAT as a 10th grader are eligible for Algebra II."

Freshmen students who are in Geometry and do not have an "A", "B", or "C" with an instructor recommendation will not have the recommendation from the math department to move on to Algebra II their sophomore year. Those students will be required to retake Algebra I their sophomore year. They will be eligible to take Algebra II or Transition Algebra their junior year.

These guidelines are to ensure student success, not just for next school year, but for subsequent years. Algebra I, Geometry, Transition Algebra, and Algebra II are courses that build the framework for more advanced courses. SHS wants to make sure students are prepared for the courses chosen.

Students and their parents/guardians must sign the **Verification Form** acknowledging receipt of the *Math Course Placement Guidelines* each year while the student is enrolled in the School District.