

TESTING OUT

Incoming 9th Grade Students

In compliance with state law, East Grand Rapids High School provides the opportunity for students to "Test Out" of a subject area. Testing Out provides an opportunity for a student to demonstrate mastery of a subject area's content and skills and thereby, earn credit. Although a student earns credit, he/she does not receive a letter grade nor is the credit computed in the student's grade point average. A "CR" is noted on the transcript to indicate credit earned.

Students wishing to test out are provided with the Curriculum Content Expectations. The district is under no obligation to provide instructional support or textbooks for students choosing to test out. **TESTING OUT IS TRYLY AN INDEPENDENT LEARNING EXPERIENCE WITH NO SUPPORT FROM THE SCHOOL OR A TEACHER.** The content expectations and/or other necessary materials will be made available on the **last day of school** to those students who register for Testing Out by the May 5th deadline. **Students will then take a comprehensive testing out examination at 9:00 a.m. on August 21, 2017.** There are no other dates for testing out.

If the student earns a 77% (C+) or higher on the exam and any required assignments, the student will earn credit. No letter grade will be recorded on the transcript, just a "CR", and the credit will NOT be included in grade point average computations. The transcript will show that the student earned credit through Testing Out. A successful Test Out will fulfill graduation requirements for a subject area or a course sequence.

Testing Out is a significant decision for a student. Only those students who feel they already have mastery of a specific subject and want to accelerate through the school curriculum should consider it. Experience shows that the percentage of students who successfully Test Out is low. Additionally, a student testing out will miss participation in class discussions and opportunities to develop higher level thinking skills which are nurtured by daily contact with the instructor. *Please note that with Testing Out there is no contact with or support from an instructor.*

Any student wishing to Test Out must complete the "*Student Request for Testing Out*" form and return it to the Guidance Office **no later than Friday, May 5, 2017.** "*Request for Testing Out*" forms received after this date will **NOT be accepted.** All Testing Out examinations, with the exception of Physical Education, will be administered at the high school on **Monday, August 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.** **Alternate examination times are not permitted.**

Incoming 9th Grade Students Testing Out of Geometry

Incoming 9th grade students (current 8th grade students) wishing to test out of Geometry may do so by completing the "*Request for Testing Out*" form. Such students earning an 87.0% (B+) or higher on the examination will have the option to move into the honors mathematics sequence at the high school, specifically into the Advanced Algebra/FST Honors course. Students who earn between a 77% (C+) up to an 86.99% (B) will be placed in the regular Advanced Algebra course at the high school.

Testing Out of Physical Education

Testing Out of Physical Education is a more comprehensive process involving more than one examination period during the summer. Specific information regarding Testing Out of Physical Education will be available to incoming freshmen at the March Academic Planning Nights and in the High School Guidance Office after that time. Information is also posted on Mr. Tompkin's webpage on the HS Teacher Directory of the District's website at www.egrps.org or <http://sites.google.com/site/tompkinspe/home/testing-out> Any student wishing to Test Out of Physical Education must complete the "*Student Request for Testing Out*" form and return it to the Guidance Office **no later than Friday, May 5, 2017.**

NOTE: Any student who registers to test out of Physical Education must attend a mandatory pre-testing session on the last day of school, Friday, June 16, 2017 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the HS Fitness Center.

East Grand Rapids High School STUDENT REQUEST FOR TESTING OUT

Student _____ Date of Birth _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Address _____ Phone _____ Grade for 2017-2018 _____

Student Email _____ Parent Email _____

I am requesting to demonstrate mastery of the content in a subject area at East Grand Rapids High School. I understand that this assessment may include an examination, but also written reports, research papers, a portfolio or other assessments. I understand that I can earn credit toward graduation through this assessment, and that I can only earn a "CR" notation that will NOT be used in computing my grade point average. I am aware that if I earn a "CR" notation in this course (C+ or higher), I cannot subsequently request individual assessment for a prior course in the sequence, or enroll in a lower course in the same subject sequence. I understand that no instructional support by a teacher is provided for the Testing Out experience.

I AM REQUESTING TO TEST OUT OF:

Complete Course Title _____

Complete Course Title _____

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

**Submit Form to the High School Guidance Office
NO LATER THAN MAY 5, 2017**

Date Received _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Course _____

Department Head Notified _____

Course _____

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Materials Distributed:

Description	Date Distributed	Returned
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Testing Out Results:

Course	%	Grade	Credit	No Credit	Instructor Signature & Date
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Notification to: Counselor Student/Parent Registrar