

Township of Union Public Schools

Criteria for Honors/AP Program Placement

SCIENCE (MS & HS)

Total Possible Points: 24

Updated August 2019

	4 points	3 points	2 points	1 point	0 points
NJSLA Score* most recent administration	790 or higher	750-789	725-749	700-724	699 or below
Department Placement OR Exam**	90 – 100	80 – 89	70-79	65 – 69	0 - 64
Current MATH Course Average (MP 1 & 2)	93 – 100	83 – 92	73-82	65 – 72	0 - 64
Current SCIENCE Course Average (MP 1 & 2)	93 – 100	83 – 92	73-82	65 – 72	0 - 64
Teacher Recommendation*** Skills considered include: sustaining a grade-level task; critical thinking; cooperative work; communication; ability to initiate tasks, questioning, or asking for assistance; internalizing behaviors that interfere with instruction; problem solving	Exceeds Expectations Student consistently exceeds grade-level expectation of the outlined skills.	Meets Expectations Student regularly meets grade-level expectations of the outlined skills.	Approaches Expectations Student inconsistently demonstrates mastery or is otherwise approaching mastery of grade-level expectations of the outlined skills.	Partially Meets Expectations Student demonstrates partial mastery of grade-level expectations, rarely engaging in the outlined skills.	Does Not Yet Meet Expectations Student does not demonstrate mastery of grade-level expectations, never engaging in the outlined skills.
Previous SCIENCE Course Final Grade	A- and above	B to B+	B- to C	C-	Below C-
Current SCIENCE Course Midterm	A- and above	B to B+	B- to C	C-	Below C-

Requirements for Admittance	Number of Points Earned
CP/Regular to Honors	20 to 24 points
Honors to Honors (reapplication)	18 to 24 points
Honors to AP	20 to 24 points
AP to AP (reapplication)	18 to 24 points

*NJSLA-ELA will be considered in ELA, WL, and SS courses; NJSLA-MATH will be considered in Math and SCI courses.

**A standards-based skill assessment will be given to students to take the place of the NJSLA score ONLY if an NJSLA score is unavailable.

*** Please see the note re: teacher recommendations in the Honors/AP Procedures under the Appeal Process. Teacher recs will be posted in Genesis for viewing.