



ELKINS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to offer Algebra I for high school credit to qualifying 8th grade students during the upcoming 2025-2026 school year. This course is a rigorous introduction to high school mathematics and is an excellent opportunity for students who demonstrate strong mathematical understanding and a high level of academic commitment.

Enrollment in Algebra I will require a teacher recommendation and a review of your child's WV General Summative Assessment (WVGSA) scores to ensure readiness for the challenges of a high school-level course.

Please note that Algebra I is a high school credit course. Your child's final grade will appear on their official high school transcript and will be factored into their cumulative high school GPA. This means the course will carry the same academic weight and long-term impact as courses taken during high school.

From Policy 2510:

"Students who take either of the credit-bearing Math I for 8th Graders or Algebra I for 8th Graders may not take Math I or Algebra I for credit in high school even though the course codes are different, because the standards are identical.

- If the student would happen to fail, then they could retake the course or complete the credit recovery program.
- If the parent/guardian would request the student take this course again in 9th grade and they have not failed it, then the credit cannot count towards graduation requirements and may not be used in the calculation of the GPA unless a county policy differs."

If you believe your child may be a good candidate for Algebra I in 8th grade, please review the information on the back of this paper, sign the form (both you and your child) and return it to Principal Dawn Kittle by July 30, 2025. Forms may be scanned and emailed to dkittle@k12.wv.us or dropped off at Elkins Middle School. Please call ahead (304-636-9176) to ensure someone is in the office and available to receive the document.

Sincerely,

Dawn Kittle, Principal

Algebra I Enrollment Acknowledgment and Permission Form

Student Name: _____
Current Math Teacher: _____

Please return this form to Principal Dawn Kittle by July 30, 2025, for scheduling purposes.

I have read and understand the requirements and implications of enrolling in Algebra I in 8th grade, including:

- ☒ A teacher recommendation is required.
- ☒ GSA scores will be reviewed as part of the placement process.
- ☒ This is a high school credit course.
- ☒ The final grade will appear on my child's high school transcript.
- ☒ This course will affect my child's cumulative high school GPA.
- ☒ I have reviewed Policy 2510.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____