



# Clement Middle School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

In accordance with District Board Policy 6152.1(a), RUSD has developed a course placement process based on multiple, objective criteria to ensure appropriate course placement for all students. The intent is to provide all students with an equal opportunity to advance in both English and mathematics and avoid misplacement. In addition, new accountability measures promote increased Honors and AP course enrollment in high school.

A consistent, district-wide placement protocol for student course placement to ensure academic success at the middle school level will support the intended outcomes for appropriate course completion at the high school level. This placement protocol uses data from fourth through seventh grade that has historically provided the best correlation to student success, and is based on the understanding that appropriate course placement at the middle school level will better prepare students for success at the high school level.

To support this effort, RUSD middle school students will be evaluated for appropriate grade level English and Math course placement for the following school year through a multiple measure process. This process includes results on district assessments and classroom performance (grades). In early March, as part of the regular district assessment practice, students will take an English district assessment and a Mathematics Readiness Test (MDTP) representing the assessment measures listed above. These assessments will be administered site-wide for all students, with individual student results mailed home to all parents. Parent communication about program options and course placement for each school site will follow.

Redlands Unified School District is committed to promoting student success through the offering of both rigorous and appropriate courses to meet each student's individual needs and promote future success. Every effort will continue to be made to differentiate our programs to meet this objective. If you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to contact your student's Counselor. Thank you for your support.

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Wes D. Cullen