

Saint Joseph Middle School Math Program 2010-2011

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Saint Joseph School Offers Two Mathematics Sequences:

Standard Sequence:

6th Grade: Scott Foresman Mathematics

7th Grade: Middle School Math Course 2

8th Grade: Middle School Math Course 3

(These students will take Algebra 1 in PSD 9th Grade)

Accelerated Sequence (One year advanced):

6th Grade: Middle School Math Course 2

7th Grade: Middle School Math Course 3

8th Grade: Algebra 1 (same textbook as Poudre School District (PSD) 9th Grade course)

(These students will take Geometry in PSD 9th Grade)

- Students in the accelerated sequence will normally remain one year ahead of their grade level throughout Junior High and High School.
- The choice of sequence is made by the student, usually based on factors such as:
 - interest in math and desire for greater challenge
 - expected need for mathematics in other future subject areas
 - willingness to do extra work required based on their anticipated ability level
- Although the decision is typically made at entry into 6th or 7th grade, adjustments can be made during later grades.

Teaching Philosophy:

- It is very important to us that all of our students graduate from Saint Joseph with a strong understanding of mathematics and a high level of confidence in their math abilities.
- To this end, we provide many opportunities for students to improve their success – such as re-taking tests and re-doing homework