

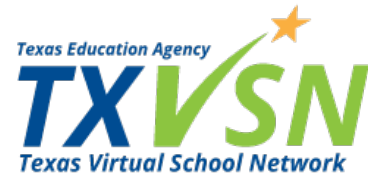


Middle School Advanced Mathematics Program Updates

To support implementation of middle school advanced math programs, beginning in the 2024-2025 school year the Texas Virtual School Network (TXVSN) course catalog will make available access to fully developed courses covering the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade math TEKS taught by a certified instructor.

These courses will

- provide an additional option for districts to support the needs of all learners;
- provide flexibility in course scheduling to support the needs of individual students.



- Advanced middle school mathematics courses are available from the following TXVSN course providers—Alief ISD, Grapevine-Colleyville ISD, and Lewisville ISD.
- To enroll students or to find out more about TXVSN, please contact the TXVSN help desk.

<https://helpdesk.tea.texas.gov/Texas-Virtual-School-Network/>



STAAR Scale Score

- Statewide 60th percentile rank for all STAAR Grade 5 Mathematics testers has been calculated.
- LEAs must automatically enroll any student who earned a raw score of 25 and a scale score of 1651 on the Grade 5 Mathematics STAAR regardless of whether the student took the English language or the Spanish language assessment.
- This information is valid only for Spring 2024 and will be recalculated and published each year after STAAR assessments are complete.

Commissioner of Education Rules Updates:

In response to public comment, the following clarifications were made:

- Written consent by parents or guardians is required to remove a student from the Middle School Advanced Mathematics Program.
- LEAs will be required to report enrollment and performance data for students participating in the program.

The rules are expected to post on July 5, 2024, and will be effective on July 8, 2024. TEA will share a link to the rules once they have been filed as adopted with the Texas Register.

- Texas Education Code §28.029, which establishes the Middle School Advanced Math Program, was effective as of the 2023-24 school year.
- The agency will be conducting compliance reviews related to the enrollment of students in these advanced math courses, including verifying that LEAs have written documentation from parents for any eligible students who are not enrolled, with the expectation that all LEAs are in compliance with all relevant laws and rules by the start of the 2024-25 school year.

Visit the Middle School Advanced Mathematics Program webpage for more information and resources

<https://tea.texas.gov/academics/subject-areas/mathematics/middle-school-advanced-mathematics-program>

- Middle School Advanced Mathematics Webinar Slides
- Middle School Advanced Mathematics Program Frequently Asked Questions document (coming soon)
- Recording of Webinar
- Sample - Middle School Advanced Math Program template
- Sample - Middle School Advanced Math Program opt out agreement
- Sample - Parent Letter regarding Middle School Advanced Math Program
- Sample - Parent Letter regarding the student selection for the Middle School Advanced Math Program