

SCREENING/REFERRAL ANNOUNCEMENT
SAMPLE 1

Grade 4 Screening for Math Course 2

During second semester of each year, Henrico County Public Schools (HCPS) screens fourth-grade gifted students who are identified in general intellectual aptitude or mathematics aptitude for math acceleration beginning in grade 5. Math Course 2, a seventh-grade math course, is offered during the fifth-grade year to highly gifted mathematics students. Only the **top .5% - 1%** of rising gifted fifth-grade students in the county are selected to participate in the course. The course is offered daily as an “early bird” class, beginning at 7:30 a.m. and parents/guardians must provide transportation in the morning to the middle school site. This year the course is at Hungary Creek Middle School. It is important to note the math pathway for qualified students is:
Grade 5 Math Course 2 → Grade 6 Algebra I → Grade 7 Geometry → Grade 8 Algebra II

Fourth-grade students are placed in the initial screening/referral pool by (1) being identified for gifted services in intellectual aptitude or identified in mathematics aptitude (2) teacher referral, or (3) parent/guardian referral. The screening process consists of two phases. Students who achieve a score within a set range on the Phase One test will proceed to Phase Two. Based on the test results for Phase One and Two, qualified students will be offered the opportunity to participate beginning in September 2012.

If you have any questions about this program or the screening process please contact (contact person) at (school telephone number) no later than **January 30, 2012**.

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