

South Burlington High School

Mathematics Placement Practices

The goal of the South Burlington High School mathematics placement process is to provide the best opportunity for success for each student by identifying the correct placement for each student into our mathematics curriculum. Placement at SBHS places students in (not out) of our courses.

Transition to High School

The South Burlington High School Math Department works with all sending schools to provide for the most appropriate placement for individual students transitioning to high school. Students entering South Burlington High School from middle school interested in being placed in a math course beyond Math 1 will need to demonstrate proficiency in the standards affiliated with Math 1 via their performance on one or more of our approved assessment instruments.

All current FHTMS students enrolled in Math 8 Plus who have at least a B+ average for each of the three trimesters (current grade for 3rd trimester) are eligible to take the assessment. Students from sending schools outside the South Burlington School District will be considered based on evidence of beyond grade level study in mathematics that aligns with Math 1 and teacher recommendation.

Current South Burlington High School Students

Similarly, current South Burlington High School students may request placement in a course based on their showing proficiency for standards offered in a pre-requisite math offering. Interested students may be placed based on (1) independent study of learning standards in the pre-requisite course and (2) demonstrated proficiency via successful performance on locally developed assessments.