

Math Acceleration Options

Following the accelerated pathway as outlined by the Common Core State Standards, Bellevue School District students learn 6th, 7th and 8th grade math content standards in 6th and 7th grade, ensuring that students are prepared for Algebra 1 in 8th grade. By adhering to the typical BSD math progression, all students will be prepared for AP Calculus or AP Statistics in their senior year of high school. We believe that all students need a solid middle school mathematics foundation to demonstrate depth of understanding and the ability to communicate this understanding required for college and career readiness.

We recognize that some students want to accelerate within the Bellevue School District math pathway. This option for math acceleration, beyond a student's current middle school grade level, is available in a summer math course or through an outside learning experience with prior approval. By successfully completing a BSD summer school course or approved outside learning experience, students will accelerate in mathematics without missing the critical components in the math learning progression. Outside learning experiences begin with Algebra 1; IMT1 and IMT2 do not qualify for outside learning. Students choosing to accelerate their math sequence in an effort to access higher levels of math prior to high school graduation have the following options:

Course	Options	Credit/Grade
*IMT1	BSD Accelerated IMT1 Summer School Course	No High School Credit/Grade earned in summer school
IMT2	BSD Accelerated IMT2 Summer School Course	No High School Credit/Grade earned in summer school
Algebra 1 and Beyond	Outside learning experience (prior approval document required)	1.0/No grade earned

If you are interested in having your student take part in a BSD summer school mathematics class, registration information is available on the [Bellevue School District website](#). Registration for summer school will begin in late March. A tiered fee structure is available for students who qualify.

Students in the Advanced Learning Program should refer to <https://bsd405.org/services/advanced-learning/math-placement/> for math acceleration options.

*IMT1 only: The Teaching and Learning Department supports authentic acceleration either by taking the course during the school year or by attending the BSD Summer School course. However, **if there are extenuating circumstances** that prevent authentic course acceleration, families may request online materials to be completed independently by students (no credit or grade will be earned for this option) and students will need to take a placement test to determine readiness for IMT2.

If students choose self-study with the placement test, please request the online materials and register for the IMT1 Test by **submitting their names [through this form](#) by April 19, 2019**. In the meantime, please register them for the IMT1 course for the 2019-20 school year. If they meet the criteria on the placement test for IMT2, their middle school math registration will be changed to IMT2. Otherwise, they will need to meet the pre-requisite for IMT2, which is to take the IMT1 course.