

Bonita Unified Math Placement Protocol (SB 359)

The California Mathematics Placement Act of 2015 requires that LEAs have adopted a fair, objective, and transparent mathematics placement policy for pupils entering grade 9. The bill further requires the placement policy to systematically consider multiple academic measures of pupil performance. Bonita Unified believes that placement in appropriate mathematics courses is critically important for a student during his/her middle and high school years. Misplacement in the sequence of mathematics courses creates a number of barriers to academic success and results in pupils being less competitive for college admissions. Currently both all BUSD secondary schools have a multiple-measure placement system to ensure successful transitions.

This multiple-measure system includes:

- The MDTP (Mathematics Diagnostic Testing Project), which is designed to measure student readiness for a broad range of courses, is given to all BUSD students in grade 6 – Pre-Calculus
- CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) scores.
- Semester grades

BUSD works closely with parents/guardians to ensure successful placement in the appropriate course. Parents/guardians who have questions about their student's placement should contact their student's counselor.

Bonita Unified Board Policy 6152.1 on Placement in Mathematics classes is available at <http://www.gamutonline.net/district/bonitausd/>