Why take Honors Classes? What's the advantage?

Being enrolled in honors classes ultimately allows for students to have more opportunities at the High School level when it comes to taking chosen electives.

As an 8th grade student, students still enrolled in the honors program have the opportunity to take 4 courses for High School credit (*courses and credit amounts are subject to change each year per staffing availability*) and gain experience with High School educators. Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment opportunities also increase for students enrolled in the honors program.

Contact Info

If you have any questions regarding honors classes, feel free to contact your counselor and/or administration at (812)438-2626 or via email. Email can be found at www.risingsun.k12.in.us.

Middle School Honors Classes

Opportunities & Expectations

What are Honors Classes?

Honors Classes are classes that are doing work of a higher standard than is usual for students at that particular stage of their education. These classes provide an accelerated option for advanced learners and an opportunity for students to learn content more efficiently.

How does my child get into Honors Classes?

A committee that includes grade level teachers, testing coordinator, counselor and administration will meet to review a series of student data. This data along with teacher input and suggestion will be used to determine which students honors classes may be best suited for.

Data used includes, but is not limited to: STAR Assessment, ILEARN, NWEA Assessment, & Student's Grades.

Expectations for Students Enrolled in Honors Classes

Students recommended for Honors Classes are expected to maintain the workload assigned-with these courses requiring higher expectations, students can expect the workload to be more than the norm. In addition, students are expected to keep all course grades no lower than a C.

What happens if expectations are not met?

At the conclusion of the quarter and/or semester, any student not meeting the above expectations will be reviewed by a committee that includes grade level teachers, testing coordinator, counselor and administration. Any child earning an "F" for the quarter or semester in any class will be removed without discussion. Parents will be contacted if any changes will be made to the student's schedule.