

SPSCC High School Documents Placement Guide

Students applying to the Running Start program or graduates who have completed high school testing or classes may be eligible to use high school documents or score sheets for placement into pre-college or college level English and Math courses. Please use the grids below to find the appropriate placement and documentation needed.

PLACEMENT FOR ENGLISH

All course completion requires a "B" or better averaged grade for 1.0 high school credit

All exam score minimums are listed next to the exam


12th grade English/Language Arts Course Completion	Places you into....	ENGL& 101 (5 cr.) English Composition I
AP English Course Completion		
IB English Course Completion		
CI English Course Completion		
SBA Bridge to College English Course Completion		
SBA ENGLISH score of "3" or "4"		
AP English Lit. or Language Comp score of "3"		
IB English A Literature or Lang/Lit. score of "4"		
CI English A or Language/Lit or Lit. score of "E"		
SAT READING/WRITING score of 470 or higher		
ACT READING/ENGLISH score of 19 or higher (on ea.)		

AP English Language & Comp. score of "4" +	Places you into....	ENGL& 102 (5 cr.) English Composition II
IB English A: Lang. & Lit. (SL or HL) score of "5"+		

DOCUMENTATION TIME LIMITS

Document Type	English	Math
High School Transcript	Valid for 3 years following high school graduation	MATH: Valid for 2 years following course completion CHEM: Valid for 3 years following course completion
SAT/ACT	Valid for 3 years from date of exam	Not eligible for placement
AP, IB & CI Scores	No time limit	No time limit
Smarter Balance Scores (10th grade scores)	Valid for 3 years following high school graduation	Valid for 2 years from test date

For all placement, an unofficial high school transcript or unofficial score sheet will be accepted. For AP, IB & CI only: If you score high enough to receive credit from SPSCC, you must submit an **official score sheet** for credit review.

See back for math, chemistry & physics placement options 

PLACEMENT FOR MATH, CHEMISTRY & PHYSICS

Course completion requires "B" or better aver. grade for 1.0 HS credit | Exam score minimums are listed next to the exam

Algebra I Integrated I	Places you into....	AMATH 097 (7 cr.) Accelerated Intermediate Algebra CMATH 107 (5 cr.) CLIPPERS Math In Society CMATH 146 (7 cr.) CLIPPERS Introduction to Statistics MATH 101 (5 cr.) Technical Mathematics BUS 104 (5 cr.) Business Math CHEM& 110 (5 cr.) Chemical Concepts w/ Lab (no prereq)
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Note: Please speak with the Assessment Center or ACT Center before enrolling in courses in this section for completion & transfer credit info. **AMATH and CMATH courses are NOT covered by Running Start funds or fee waiver & students must pay full tuition.**

Geometry Integrated II	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 107 (5 cr.) Math In Society PHYS& 110 (5 cr.) Physics for Non-Science Majors w/ Lab
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SBA Bridge to College math course AP Statistics score "3"+ SBA MATH score "3" IB Mathematics (SL or HL) score "4" IB Math: App & Interp. (SL) score "4+" IB Math: Analysis & Appr (SL) score "4-5"	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 146 (5 cr.) Introduction to Statistics CHEM& 121 (5 cr.) Introduction to Chemistry with Lab
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Algebra II or Honors Algebra II (no precalc) Integrated III (no precalc) SBA MATH score "4"	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 147 (5 cr.) Precalc. for Business/Social Science AMATH 141 (8 cr.) Accelerated Precalculus I* CHEM& 139 (5 cr.) General Chemistry Prep (no Lab) <i>(must be concurrently enrolled or complete AMATH 141)</i>
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Advanced or Honors Algebra II (w/precalc) Accelerated Integrated III (w/precalc) Precalculus	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 141 (5 cr.) Precalculus I CHEM& 161 (5 cr.) General Chemistry with Lab I* PHYS& 114 (5 cr.) General Physics I with Lab
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IB Math: App & Interp. (HL) score "4-5" IB Math: Analysis & Appr (SL) score "6-7"	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 142 (5 cr.) Precalculus II MATH& 148 (5 cr.) Calculus for Business/Social Science
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IB Mathematics (SL or HL) score "5-6" IB Math: Further (SL or HL) score "4" IB Math: App & Interp. (HL) score "6-7" IB Math: Analysis & Appr (HL) score "4-5"	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 151 (5 cr.) Calculus I PHYS& 221 (5 cr.) Engineering Physics I with Lab <i>(must be concurrently enrolled or complete MATH 151)</i>
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AP Calculus AB score "3+" IB Mathematics (SL or HL) score of "7" IB Math: Further (SL or HL) score of "5+" IB Math: Analysis & Appr (HL) score "6-7"	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 152 (5 cr.) Calculus II
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AP Calculus BC score "3+" CI Mathematics A Level "E"+	Places you into all college courses above PLUS...	MATH& 153 (5 cr.) Calculus II
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***Note on CHEM& 161 Course:** Enrollment in CHEM& 161 has two parts— completion of or concurrent enrollment in MATH& 141 **AND** completion of 1 year of HS Chemistry or CHEM& 121 or CHEM& 139. Both conditions must be met to enroll in CHEM& 161.

High School Documentation FAQs

What if I'm a home school student? What does my transcript need to include? Home school students can submit a transcript for placement in Math or English with the following information: 1. Full name, address and phone number of the student. 2. Name of textbook or course materials used (if any) including publisher, year and edition. 3. List of concepts/content covered in the course. 4. Grade received for two semesters or one year of study. 5. Designation of two semesters (.5 cr each) or one year (1.0 cr) of credit earned. 6. Signature of teacher, tutor, parent, guardian or other qualified individual who taught the course content to the student. Transcript needs to include Math and/or English completion information only. A full transcript of all coursework completed is not required.

What if I haven't finished my high school class, but the college is registering for the next quarter? For summer/fall quarter registration only: If you are currently in progress in a Math or English course at the high school you can submit an unofficial transcript showing completion of first semester with a "B" or better and a copy of your second semester schedule showing enrollment in the course. **You must then submit a final transcript showing completion of second semester no later than the last business day in June. If you do not submit a final transcript you will be dropped from your classes by the start of the quarter.** In progress enrollment is not an option for current high school students during winter or spring quarter registration and is not an option for high school based test completion. You must have a final score sheet to submit for placement off test completion.

What if I completed an AP math class, but didn't take the AP Exam? Students who have completed an AP, IB or CI math course but did not take the exam may still have an opportunity for math placement. You will need to reach out to the instructor teaching the course you wish to enroll in and ask for instructor permission to enroll. They will review the concepts you covered in your high school AP/IB/CI course and make a recommended placement for you in our pre-calculus or calculus series.

I completed Calculus at the high school, but I don't see where I can use that for placement? Students who have completed Calculus at the high school still have opportunity for placement. Because SPSCC runs a three quarter calculus series, the content covered at the high school may align differently to our quarter classes. You will need to reach out to the instructor teaching the course you wish to enroll in and ask for instructor permission to enroll. They will review the concepts you covered in your high school Calculus course and make a recommended placement for you in our pre-calculus or calculus series.

Do I have to bring official (sealed) transcripts or score results? If you would like to receive transcribed credit for AP, IB or CI eligible scores, you will need to submit an official report with a Transfer of Credit application. An unofficial score report can be used for placement during registration while you are waiting for the official report to be sent. High school transcripts and SBA scores are used for placement only and do not need to be official.

What if my SBA results aren't yet on my high school transcript? If you have a copy of your score report from completing the SBA, we can use that for placement. If you do not yet have a score report your high school Counselor or Registrar can email assessment@spscc.edu and include score information along with your full name and date of birth. *SBA scores are only valid from the 10th grade testing year.*

What if I take the placement test but then get a better grade in class or higher score on SBA? SPSCC will always use your highest placement option. For example, if you take WAMAP MATH 107/146 exam and do not place but then receive a "3" or "4" on your SBA Math exam, then we will use the SBA results for placement into MATH 107/146.

What if I'm not planning on taking Math or English courses right away at the college? Do I need to submit my high school documentation? There are time limits on how long your scores or grades are good for placement. Please see the Documentation Time Limits Table included with this document. We recommend that you work with an Educational and Career Planner to see how the time limits might impact your progression at the college.