Welcome to Saint Mary’s! We are delighted you will be joining us next year. This is the time when many parents and students have questions about courses for next year and we hope the following information will be helpful.

At Saint Mary’s School most students enroll in six courses including English, humanities, mathematics, world language, science, and an art elective. **We ask that you submit your elective course requests via an online form.** Courses and coursework are designed to help students develop the habits of a lifelong learner including character, communication, and critical thinking.

The placement tests linked below will assist us in placing you in courses that are appropriately challenging and offer you the best chance for success. Click on the appropriate placement test links below. **You should take the placement test for the course you have just completed.**

**World language placement tests:** Please complete the assessment by June 15. Please contact Suzanne Narbona, world languages department chair, directly at sparbona@sms.edu with any questions about these assessments.

- Spanish  *(link updated May 25)*
- French
- Latin

**Mathematics placement tests:** Each student enrolling in Saint Mary’s School must complete a mathematics assessment. The purpose of this assessment is to measure her current level of proficiency so that she will be placed in an appropriate mathematics class. The assessment will also help to identify any individual gaps in a student’s understanding with the hope of remediation over the summer. This assessment will be completed through an online program called ALEKS. Students and parents will receive login information and directions directly from Dr. Krista Holstein, mathematics department chair, by June 1. **Please complete the assessment by June 15.** Dr. Holstein can be reached at kholstein@sms.edu with any questions about math placement. Note: Take the placement test for the course you have just completed. In other words, students who have just finished Algebra 1 or Common Core Math 1 will take the test for that course, not the test for the course in which they plan to enroll.

We ask that you complete these placement tests as soon as possible, but not later than June 15. It is best to take the tests while your previous coursework is still fresh in your mind. Once all placement tests and your final transcript for the 2015-2016 school year have been received, you will receive notification regarding course placements in late summer. Thank you.

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