## PEARSON 6TH GRADE CENTER 2016-17 REGISTRATION

Student Name: First\_\_\_\_\_

Last

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_ Current School \_\_\_\_\_

Please read and discuss the following information with your student and complete this form. Please return it to your child's classroom teacher by February 19, 2016.

# Music

Please select one of the following choices for the 2016-17 school year:

| Please enroll my son/daughter in CHOIR            |
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| Please enroll my son/daughter in BAND             |
| Please enroll my son/daughter in MUSIC PRODUCTION |

# **Honors/Accelerated Courses**

In Math, English, and Science there are a number of opportunities designed to challenge the high potential learner. Students may be invited to register for the Accelerated Reading LA 6, Accelerated or Twice-Accelerated Math Course, or Accelerated Physical Science 6. An invitation will be based on results from nationally-normed achievement tests (MAP) and state tests (MCA). To register for Algebra, students will be required to take an entrance test and earn a passing score.

Assignment letters will be sent home in June. At that time, options for taking the Algebra entrance test will also be communicated.

### **IDENTIFICATON/Common Identification Criteria (District-Wide)** Identification criteria for each District Honors or Accelerated Sequence within a Discipline

Honors/Accelerated Sequence - To be identified for Honors or Accelerated courses, students average scores on MAP and MCA data over the previous two years must be at or above the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile, or other comparable test data.

Twice-Accelerated Sequence - To be identified for Twice-Accelerated courses, students average scores on MAP and MCA data over the previous two years must be at or above the Dep't Recommendation (greater than the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile).

Students who do not meet the criteria outlined above will not be considered for placement in honors and accelerated courses unless a parent completes the Appeals Process (see the policy on the other side of this sheet).

Continuation in the honors and/or accelerated course sequence will be automatic for students who successfully complete the previous course. A student with a low grade may be asked to meet with the teacher, parents, high potential coordinator and/or administration to determine appropriate placement going forward.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_ If your student has an IEP please, work with their case manager on this process so that we can ensure they get in the best classes related to their educational needs.

## APPEALS PROCESS/Uniform process for Appeals across all content areas, except Math

Math Appeals | Students must test out of the pre-requisite course using an end of course assessment in order to advance.

**Appeals in ALL Other Disciplines** | If not initially invited into the course by initial identification, the student and parent(s) must...

1. Complete written Appeal Request Form and return to the Pearson school office – due by July 1. Forms received after that date may not be considered.

- 2. Building Administration will review the student's file (with the HP Coordinator, as needed), including...
  - Core Data (MAP and MCA test performance)
  - Other Supplementary Data, such as...
    - Subject-specific Grades and GPA (i.e. Math GPA, Science GPA, etc., NOT overall GPA)
    - Work samples

3.

- Building Administration reviews student's file and supplementary data with parents
- The Building Administrator will be the final authority on ALL appeals and will inform parents by late July.