

West Orange School District Teacher Rating Scale for Honors Mathematics

Student's Name: _____ Date: _____

Current Grade: _____ Teacher's Name Completing TRS: _____

Instructions: In relation to the typical student in your classroom, please place an "X" in the column to the right to indicate that this student demonstrates this trait more than a typical student.

GENERAL	X
Demonstrates ability to concentrate and focus on a task to completion; submits work in a timely manner	
Accepts difficult challenges with a positive attitude	
Shows ease and maturity in verbal expression characterized by "richness" of expression, elaboration and fluency.	
Demonstrates quick and relevant mastery and retains content with ease; Can easily adapt to more rigorous pacing.	
Respects ideas and knowledge of peers	
Displays creativity	
Displays self-motivated and self-starter qualities; Works independently with minimal direction	
Synthesizes ideas and materials in order to create appropriate products.	
Demonstrates a keen and alert mentality by usually "seeing more" or "getting more" out of the content.	
Accepts constructive criticism, responds, and revises work.	

MATHEMATICS	X
Analyzes specific information critically to reach logical conclusions; word problems, mathematical models, data, patterns, tables, and graphs	
Recognizes problems and demonstrates ability to discover how and why things work	
Demonstrates quick and relevant mastery and recall of factual information	
Demonstrates creativity in planning and implementing effective problem solving strategies	
Communicates and justifies mathematical concepts in creative and intuitive ways, both verbally and in writing	
Makes sense of problems and perseveres when solving them	
Demonstrates ability to review work, identify errors, and modify solutions	
Demonstrates ability to model and explain mathematical ideas in different ways	
Identifies and utilizes proper tools and resources when modeling and solving problems	
Displays ability to link mathematical thinking to real life applications	
Total	

Anecdotal Remarks

Remarks are required and will be reviewed by the principal and supervisor to develop a clearer understanding of this student's academic abilities. This is an important aspect of the honors selection process.