



TESTING OUT

In compliance with the state law, North Muskegon Public Schools provides the opportunity for eligible students to “Test Out” of any course. Testing Out provides an opportunity for a student to demonstrate mastery of course content and skills and thereby earn credit for a course.

Testing out of a course is a significant decision for a student. It should be considered only by those students who feel they already have mastery of a specific subject and want to accelerate through the school curriculum. Experience shows that the percentage of students who successfully Test Out of a course is low. Additionally, a student testing out of a course will miss participation in class discussions and opportunities to develop higher level thinking skills which are nurtured by daily contact with the instructor. Please note that with Testing Out there is no contact with or support from an instructor.

Any student wishing to Test Out must complete the “Student Request for Testing Out” form and return it to the Guidance Office no later than Friday, May 27th. “Request for Testing Out” forms received after this date will not be accepted. All test-out exams for Fall 2016 will be scheduled for Tuesday, August 23rd.

All materials for the Test Out will go through the high school office. The teaching department will be responsible for providing a textbook (if available), a class syllabus and framework of what content will be assessed. Student will be required to pick up and return all materials in the office. Request for test out must be made at least three weeks prior to the test out date. Request for materials does not constitute request for the test.

Students will be informed with five regular business days of the Test Out exam of whether credit was earned. In case of credit not being earned, the student may come in to look at the exam in the high school office at a time to be scheduled. Credit is a 78% score or better on the exam as determined by the State of Michigan Merit Curriculum Law 380.1279b.



North Muskegon Public Schools
STUDENT REQUEST FOR TESTING OUT

Student Name _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Phone _____ Student Email _____

Grade for 2016-2017 _____ Date of Birth _____

Counselor Signature _____

I am requesting to demonstrate mastery of the content in a course/subject area at North Muskegon Public Schools. I understand that this assessment may include not only an examination, but also written reports, research papers, a portfolio or other assessments normally required when taking this course. I understand that I can earn credit toward graduation through this assessment, and I can only earn a “pass” notation, I cannot subsequently request individual assessment for a prior course in the sequence, or enroll in a lower course in the same subject sequence. I understand that no instructional support by a teacher is provided for the Testing Out experience.

I AM REQUESTING TO TEST OUT OF:

Complete Course Title _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____