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Enrollment Now Open for Pioneer High School's Escalante Summer Math Academy

WHITTIER – Pioneer High School is accepting applications for its 28th annual Jaime Escalante Summer Math Academy, giving Whittier middle and high school students a jumpstart on their math classes and preparing them to take on advanced college-level courses.

Named after famous Garfield High School calculus teacher Jaime Escalante, the six-week summer program offers students the opportunity to take classes in Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Math Analysis or Calculus. Pre-Algebra is new this year for sixth- and seventh-graders, who can take Algebra in eighth grade and continue advancing while in high school.

Students who receive A's or B's earn 10 credits that will be transferred to their transcripts, enabling them to move up one course level.

The academy will begin June 11 and conclude July 19 with an end-of-summer assembly. Classes will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., with tutorials running until 3 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. During the week of July 4, classes will be held Friday to make up for the holiday off. A \$40 program fee will cover student workbooks.

The program compresses a math class that is normally taught over an entire school year into 150 hours. Classes will be taught by college professors and include college- and high school-level tutors to ensure student success.

Applications have been distributed to all Whittier Union comprehensive high schools, as well as middle schools from throughout the Whittier area. This year's application process includes an online registration. Applications are due the first week of May and are available at Pioneer High School, 10800 Benavon St., Whittier.

For more information, contact Javier Gonzalez, director of the summer academy, at javier.gonzalez@wuhsd.org, or (562) 698-8121, ext. 5200.

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