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SUPERVISOR KATY TANG ANNOUNCES SUMMER ACCELERATED GEOMETRY PROGRAM

Six-week Geometry course for rising sophomores will allow students to access higher levels of math while in high school

Supervisor Tang was joined by the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) and members of the San Francisco Board of Education today to announce a new 28-day intensive summer Geometry course for 96 incoming 10th grade students. The last day to apply for this program is **April 30**.

SFUSD's recommended course sequence includes Algebra 1 in 9th grade, Geometry in 10th grade, and Algebra 2 in 11th grade. In order for students to take higher math courses such as AP Statistics or AP Calculus during their senior year, students would have to take two math courses concurrently while in 9th or 10th grade. The summer Geometry course will allow an alternate path for students to meet the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) as well as have the option to enroll in higher math courses during their 12th grade year.

"With the elimination of 8th grade Algebra, we have heard from many parents that their children are extremely limited in their ability to take advanced mathematics courses," said Supervisor Tang. "We should be providing more options for students to advance in math, not fewer. I am pleased that our advocacy, along with former Supervisor Scott Wiener, has led to the development of this summer Geometry course. A strong foundation in math sets students up for great success in the future."

The six-week Geometry course will run from June 5 to July 14, and is meant for incoming sophomores who are completing CCSS Algebra 1 in their freshman year at a SFUSD high school, and would like the option to take CCSS Algebra 2 in their 10th grade. The class will meet from 8am until 2pm daily at Galileo High School.

"Like Supervisor Tang, I have heard from many parents eager to expand summer math learning opportunities for their children," said Dr. Emily Murase, San Francisco Board of Education Commissioner. "In response to the outpouring of support for this, the school district will be



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offering three classes of its year-long Common Core Geometry as a summer course for the first time, thanks to funding made possible by Supervisor Tang, then-Supervisor Scott Wiener, and Mayor Ed Lee. Parent advocacy played a major role in bringing this about.”

In keeping with SFUSD policy, students who elect to take a summer Algebra course will still take the Math Validation Test in August as a check for understanding.

Supervisor Tang will continue to work with the SFUSD to explore additional opportunities for students to advance in mathematics.

If they receive more than 96 applicants to the summer Geometry course, the SFUSD will randomly select 96 students from the full list of applicants. All interested students are encouraged to apply before the deadline.

To learn about the summer Geometry course for rising 10th graders, visit: www.sfusdmath.org/. For more information about either program, please contact Supervisor Katy Tang’s office at (415) 554-7460 / Ashley.Summers@sfgov.org.

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