## Dear Parents:

I am writing to let you know that specific prerequisites are required for any student who wishes to take both Geometry and Algebra II math classes in a single school year. The students must have earned an A in Algebra I, pass a written entrance exam, and have a written recommendation from your Algebra I teacher.

Attached to this letter you will find the material that will be included in the entrance exam. Please review the material and practice accordingly. The entrance exam will be administered in Room 205 at SJHS on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> promptly at 3:15 pm and Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> promptly at 3:15pm. Students will have 60 minutes to complete the exam.

It has been my experience that without these parameters for entrance into both courses, the students will struggle throughout the entire year and beyond. Please think carefully before deciding if this is the path for your student. The transition into our high school academic arena is difficult and adding two math courses can be a challenge to some students. *However*, *once you have decided your math path*, *it will dictate what options are available in the subsequent years*. No other math classes can be combined until the senior year when Calculus and College Algebra/College Trigonometry can be taken simultaneously.

If you have any questions, please contact the chairperson of the Math Department, Mrs. Amanda Webb, amanda.webb@stjosephhs.org.

Sincerely,

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