

BRHS Course Override Waiver 2016-2017

Student: _____ Grade (2015-16): 8 9 10 11

BRHS Course Placement: _____

Student/Parent Requested Course: _____

Bordentown Regional High School creates student course placements based on multiple quantitative and qualitative factors. The goal is to accurately determine the appropriate academic course and level for each individual student.

As a school, we believe that our placement system is designed to provide students with an appropriate educational plan that will individually challenge and hone the skills and intellect of our students. However, we also believe that parents and students should have input into the decision making process. Therefore, if a family elects to override a placement that was made by school personnel, Bordentown Regional High School requests that the student, and his/her parents, have the following understandings and agree to the understated conditions:

- *An understanding that a signature below indicates that I consent to waive my child into a higher level course, even though he/she has not met the prerequisite requirements for automatic eligibility.*
- *An understanding that Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses are more rigorous than CP and CCR classes in terms of the amount of independent work expected, the pace of content coverage, and the depth/breadth of content covered. These courses are challenging and this may be reflected in the student's grade.*
- *An understanding that the student will be expected to make every effort to be successful in this course, including but not limited to: increased time spent on coursework including homework, peer or outside tutoring, frequent student initiated check-ins with the instructor.*
- *An understanding that schedule changes must be made within 14 calendar days of the start of the semester and are dependent on a variety of factors including graduation requirements, space in requested classes, and disruption to the student's other courses. **Due to these restraints, schedule changes after the start of the semester may not be possible.***
- *An understanding that a waiver will only be honored if there is seat availability.*

By signing below, you are acknowledging that you understand the inherent challenges and restraints that come with a course override, and have officially requested a waiver into the course listed above.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

**Complete one form for each course to be waived.
Please return this form to your guidance counselor.**