

outlined in the Lake Union Junior Academy Manual) unless the local Conference Office of Education and Lake Union Office of Education have granted approval prior to the beginning of the course work.

### **Lake Union Junior Academy Policy Up-Dates**

1. A. Eighth grade students may take Algebra I so long as the following criteria are met:
  - the course is taught by an endorsed teacher at the Junior Academy.
  - a year end seventh grade math test score of 85% or above on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills
  - completion of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade math curriculum with a final grade of “A”.
  - a letter of recommendation from the 7<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.
  - satisfactory performance on an 8<sup>th</sup> grade Algebra readiness test (contact local academy)
  - **NOTE: the request for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to take Algebra I should be approved by the conference superintendent and lake Union Associate Director of Education prior to the beginning of course work.**
- B. Senior academies may consider allowing 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in constituent elementary schools to take Algebra I for academy credit based on the following criteria:
  - the course be taught by an elementary teacher holding a junior academy endorsement in mathematics.
  - a year end seventh grade math test score of 85% or above on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills
  - completion of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade math curriculum with a final grade of “A”.