

Cambridge: Fact or Fiction?

- 1. If a student is accepted into Cambridge and is not in Newark's feeder pattern, he/she can automatically attend NHS.**

FICTION!! Any student who is not in Newark's feeder pattern must apply for choice, which occurs in January. Being accepted into Cambridge does not approve students for choice to NHS.

- 2. Students who are interested in the Cambridge Program can shadow a 9th grade Cambridge student for a day.**

FACT!! Shadowing is a great way to see what the program and NHS is all about. Contact Ms. Morano at moranov@christina.k12.de.us for details.

- 3. Any student not accepted into Cambridge cannot take AP courses in high school.**

FICTION!! Though Cambridge prepares students for AP courses, it in no way excludes any student who wishes to take them.

- 4. All applicants must take a math placement test.**

FACT!! When reviewing applications, the team takes a holistic approach. They look at everything: grades, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, the writing sample, etc. They then look at the entire pool of candidates to determine which students may qualify for the program. A placement test in reading and math will be administered to all qualifying candidates as a final step in the process. Then, final decisions will be made with regard to acceptance.

- 5. There is no limit as to how many students are accepted into Cambridge.**

FACT!! We are looking for as many students that can handle the rigor of the program and reap the benefits from it.

- 6. If a student is accepted into Cambridge, he/she receives acceptance to the University of Cambridge in England.**

ABSOLUTELY, COMPLETELY, TOTALLY FALSE!! The Cambridge Program (officially called University of Cambridge International Examinations) is part of the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCLES), a non-teaching department of the University of Cambridge. Any student interested in attending the University of Cambridge would follow normal application procedures.