

This FAQ document will be updated weekly as we receive questions from our parent community.

Question	Answer
What are Venado's intervention lab classes and how are students enrolled in them?	The Title I Intervention Lab Classes - such as Math Lab, Reading Lab, and Study Skills are yea-long courses designed to support students who need extra help in those areas. Our Intervention Team works with 6th and 7th grade teachers to analyze student academic performance data - SBAC scores, STAR reading and math basic skills scores, benchmark tests, grades, teacher recommendations, and anecdotal observations, etc to identify students who need these interventions.
	Students who meet placement criteria will be enrolled in one of these classes, and this class will serve as the student's elective. Families will be notified that their child is enrolled in a Title I Intervention Lab Class when class schedules are made available immediately before the opening of the school year.
Would it be possible to still enroll my child in one of the other electives offered, since they have been placed in a year-long intervention class?	Yes. Students who are enrolled in an intervention class have the option of taking zero period PE. Zero period PE meets at 7:15 a.m. 4 days a week. This allows students to

I am surprised my child is being placed in a reading lab, she did fine in 6th grade, and I was never warned by her 6th grade teacher that she would need this intervention.

take an elective class.

Performance history and factors such as test scores, attendance, effort, grades, and other benchmarks were taken into consideration. In some cases, students who are diligent workers and complete all assignments may earn A or B grades while still performing below grade level on IUSD district screening assessments. We provide intensive skills remediation and support to those students who meet placement criteria. We also recognize that in order to prepare students for the rigors of middle and high school, they need to attain grade level proficiency in their reading and math benchmarks, hence a reading lab, math lab, or study skills class may be necessary.