



Gifted & Talented News

**May
2017**

Future Planning

Identification & Testing

Curriculum
Alignment and Planning

Professional Development for
Teachers and Counselors

Communication

Secondary Student Scheduling
and Placement Tracks

What's Happening

Our gifted and talented program continues to grow. We are excited to announce that we now have 195 students identified as gifted and talented. We were able to qualify 46 students this school year and we hope to continue to identify gifted and talented students.

As we prepare for the new and upcoming school year, we will continue to have gifted liaisons at each school site that will help to facilitate CogAT

testing, collaborate with teachers to plan differentiated lessons for gifted and high achieving students, and provide staff with professional development around gifted students and gifted learning. We are looking into professional development opportunities at the state and national level for next school year.

Enjoy your summer, we look forward to seeing everyone next school year.

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Gifted Parent Night

September 2017

Date TBD

5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m.

at

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CogAT Information

We will have two rounds of CogAT testing in the 2017 - 2018 school year. The first round will be in the fall, September 11th - 22nd. Parent evaluation and consent forms to test are due September 6th. The second round of testing will be in the

spring, March 1st through the 9th.

Parent evaluation and consent to test forms can be found on the district website, under departments, under curriculum, under gifted and talented program or at your home school site front office.