

ARROWHEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



2022-2023 GIFTED CONTINUUM OF SERVICES

GIFTED SPECIALIST: LEAH.MORAN@DVUSD.ORG

Arrowheads Gifted Program engages students' complex learning desires with multiple opportunities of meaningful, creative, and thought-provoking experiences.



GIFTED SERVICES PROVIDED

Kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gifted Cluster
Grades 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gifted Cluster • SPARK Enrichment
Grades 3, 4, 5, & 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gifted Cluster • SPARK Enrichment • Walk-Up to Math
Extracurricular Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Band • Kindness Club • Ukulele Club

GIFTED PLACEMENT

Gifted Testing and Scores: Students are assessed in three areas (Verbal, Quantitative, & Nonverbal) using the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) assessment. Arrowhead offers gifted services for students who score at or above 95% in one or more areas (standard placement), and 80% in one area (provisional placement). Placement testing is conducted three times a year based on teacher and parent recommendations. Students may also qualify based on other state approved gifted identification assessments. Students may only be tested once per calendar year.

GIFTED CLUSTER

All gifted students are clustered together for the entire school day with a highly qualified and gifted trained teacher. At Arrowhead students in First - Sixth Grade are placed into Gifted Cluster classrooms. The Gifted Specialist supports the cluster teachers.

In Kindergarten, the Gifted Specialist teaches the Primary Education Thinking Skills (PETS) program to all Kindergarten students in order to build students' critical and creative thinking skills and to assist with identifying students as gifted and talented. Students who show proficiency with this curriculum are referred for Gifted testing.

WALK-UP to MATH

Quantitatively Gifted and high achieving students move up to the next grade level math class which allows gifted and high achieving math students to compact grade level instruction and accelerate their learning of the next grade level standards. The Gifted Specialist supports math teachers in the classroom during this time.

SPARK ENRICHMENT

Gifted and high achieving students are provided SPARK Enrichment throughout the school day. This time is conducted by the Gifted Specialist and is used for enrichment learning experiences that address the unique needs of gifted students.



Unique programs for all grades...
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Gifted Services