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DEER VALLEY

2019-2020 Continuum of Gifted Services

	Gifted Services Provided		
Kindergarten	Bright Child Kindergarten Talent Pool		
Grades 1 & 2	Gifted Cluster Placement		
Grade 3	Gifted Cohort		
Grade 4	 SAGE English Language Arts (ELA) Enrichment Walk-Up To Math 		
Grades 5 & 6	 Gifted Cluster Placement SAGE English Language Arts (ELA) Enrichment Walk-Up To Math 		
Grades 7 & 8	 Advanced Content for ELA & Math High School Algebra (Credit transferable to any high school) 		
Extra-Curricular Activities & Programs	Field Trips Running Club Middle School Athletics	Junior Achievement Student Council Many after school activities: Chess club, Zumba, Diamond Dance	Musical Theater Band Chorus & Music

Gifted Placement -

Gifted Testing and Scores: Students are assessed in three areas which are Verbal (reading), Quantitative (math) & Nonverbal (spatial relations) using the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT). New River offers gifted services for students who score at or above 95% in reading or math. Placement testing is conducted three times a year and is based on teacher and parent recommendations. Students may also qualify based on other state approved gifted identification assessments. Students my only be tested once per calendar year.



Sunset Ridge Gifted Services

Gifted Program Details

Bright Child Kindergarten Talent Pool: All gifted identified students, as well as those who demonstrate high academic abilities, are placed in a full day kindergarten classroom with a highly qualified, gifted endorsed teacher or one who is working towards his/her gifted certification.

Gifted Cluster: Cluster grouping is a full day gifted service model. Gifted students are grouped together in a classroom with teachers who are trained to adapt the curriculum and environment for gifted students. Gifted students benefit from being grouped with their intellectual peers within a differentiated and enriching classroom.



Gifted Cohort: The Gifted Cohort is a full day gifted service model. Gifted identified students are placed into one class, at their grade level, with only other gifted identified students. The classes are



taught by a Gifted Endorsed teacher. In the

Gifted Cohort, our Gifted Specialist works with the Cohort teachers to team-teach and support each classroom multiple times each week and in multiple subject areas. Students are placed in the level of math they are ready for, and encouraged to move ahead in groups through the curriculum as appropriate and with the support of the teachers.

SAGE ELA Enrichment: The Gifted Specialist works with gifted students in the SAGE room (Pull out) or within their regular classroom (Push in). The Gifted Specialist utilizes many resources including material from the College of William & Mary's Center for Gifted Education which incorporates many novels, Socratic discussions and projects that encourage creativity as well as the integration of technology.



Walk Up to Math: Students walk up (as a group or cluster) to the next grade level's gifted cluster math class. The school's Gifted Specialist works with the Gifted Cluster Teacher to help instruct students in the classroom and/or pull out small groups of students as needed. Students are preassessed for the content and are able to go to the grade level that is appropriate for their individual needs.

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