



CONSTITUTION *Elementary School*



2020-2021 Continuum of Gifted of Services

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Gifted Services Provided	
Kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten Talent Pool Cluster
1 st Grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gifted Cluster
Grades 2 - 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gifted Cluster SPARK Enrichment

Gifted Testing & Placement -

Students are assessed in three areas (Verbal, Quantitative, & Nonverbal) using the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) assessment. Constitution offers gifted services for students who score at or above 80% in one or more areas. 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 Programs -

Kindergarten Talent Pool Cluster: Kindergarten students that show a potential for gifted services are placed together, in a “talent pool,” based on school Kindergarten testing. In spring, Kindergarten students are recommended for testing by teachers and parents. They will be given the CogAT assessment for qualification in 1st grade.

Gifted Cluster: All gifted students (those scoring at or above 80% in one or more areas) are clustered together with a gifted-trained teacher for the majority of the school day. Gifted students benefit from being grouped with their intellectual peers within a differentiated and enriching classroom.

SPARK! Enrichment Program: Students are pulled out of their RTI class 3-4 times weekly for SPARK enrichment classes in reading and/or math. The time is used for enrichment learning experiences, including literature studies, project-based learning experiences, and math problem solving. This program provides students with engaging experiences that require students to think critically, collaborate with others, communicate their ideas, and show creativity.



Additionally, in grades 5 and 6, students are given the opportunity to work on above-grade-level math curriculum during SPARK classes; if students succeed in these classes they may be given the opportunity to “walk up” a grade level in math

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