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Explanation of Gifted Services

Dear Parent/Guardians:

The state of Ohio defines gifted as students who perform or show potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared to others of their age, experience, or environment and who are identified under division (A), (B), (C), or (D) of section 3324,03 of the Ohio Revised Code. In Ohio, districts are mandated to identify gifted learners, but each district determines how they will services these students. Below is an explanation of areas gifted services.

Superior Cognitive Ability if the child scored 128 or above on an ability test or a standardized test of intelligence within the last 24 months on an Ohio Department of Education (ODE) approved instrument.

Specific Academic Ability which includes reading, math, science and social studies if the student scores above the 95th percentile on a nationally-normed achievement test within the last 24 months.

Creative Thinking Ability with a score of 112 or above on an ability or intelligence test and a sufficient score on an Ohio Department of Education approved checklist.

Visual and Performing Arts Ability which includes visual arts, drama/theater, music and dance by demonstrating through a display of work, an audition, or performance with superior ability and a sufficient score on an ODE approved checklist.

District Criteria for Gifted Services

128 Ability Composite Score on a standardized ability test and 95% or above on a nationally-normed reading achievement test

OR

132 Ability Composite Score on a standardized ability test and 90% or above on a nationally-normed reading achievement test

For the 2018-2019 school year, the Woodridge School District will be providing gifted services as follows:

<u>Grades K-2:</u> No official services recognized by ODE, yet high-ability learners will be cluster- grouped in classrooms and receive differentiated instruction from their classroom teacher.

<u>Grades 3-8:</u> Identified gifted students who meet the district criteria for will receive reading, language arts services from their classroom teacher.

<u>Grades 9-12</u> Official services recognized by the Ohio Department of Education will be offered through Advanced Placement, and College Credit Plus courses taught by a trained teacher.

Enrichment Services for Math

Grades 6-8; Identified students are clustered and may participate in advanced placement classes if they meet the rubric criteria for placement.

We do not provide formal gifted services for students identified only in reading, math, science, social studies, creative thinking or visual and performing arts.

Identification and services are explained on our website by clicking the Gifted Programming link.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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