

# Welcome 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Parents!

☐ Please sign in 😊

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# IDENTIFICATION & ASSESSMENTS

## - PARENT MEETING

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# Timeline of Events

## October:

- ☐ Administer the CogAT during scheduled dates (ONLINE)
- ☐ CogAT Results returned.
- ☐ Parents are notified of results.
- ☐ Next steps are determined for students who meet certain benchmarks.
- ☐ *ITBS* and portfolio assessments begin for students who meet benchmarks.

## November:

- ☐ Portfolio process continues for certain students.
- ☐ *ITBS* results returned and parents notified.

## December:

- ☐ Portfolio samples collected from multiple settings.
- ☐ Parents may submit a portfolio piece meeting district expectations (see letter).

## January:

- ☐ Portfolios for school are scored by TD Catalyst teams.

## February:

- ☐ Parents are notified of final results.

## March:

- ☐ New to CMS 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students are tested using the CogAT.

# Fall Screening

- ❑ CogAT window is September 23-October 17
- ❑ Nonverbal ability test (assessing HOW students think, not what they know)
- ❑ Given whole group
- ❑ Results will be returned in October
- ❑ Each child will get the notification results letter and the CogAT interpretation letter.
- ❑ Test is age based on the child's birth month and year.



# After the Results

# Identification Rubric

- ☐ Accumulation of points based on the available assessment results.
- ☐ An accumulation of 12 points
- ☐ New identification areas
- ☐ Identification process stops as soon as a child is identified in any area (new this year)

# How does a child participate in the *ITBS* or Portfolio opportunities?

- *ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills- an achievement test)*
  - ▣ Students who have an 77% or higher on verbal subtest, quantitative/nonverbal composite, or age-composite are eligible with parent permission to take the *ITBS*.
- Portfolio Opportunity
  - ▣ Students who score in the 84<sup>th</sup> percentile+ in 3 or more domains on the *GRS (intellectual, academic, creative)* and have not accumulated 12 points.
  - ▣ Students who score between 77<sup>th</sup>-88<sup>th</sup> percentile age-composite on the CogAT and do not accumulate 12 points after the *ITBS* screening.

# Portfolio Process

- Each student will receive 3 samples compiled by the school. 4<sup>th</sup> sample is an optional advocate piece.
- Samples are collected by the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher and the TD Catalyst Teacher.
- Parents will be notified in writing of the expectations of the parent piece.
- The categories samples are assessed for are as follows:
  - ▣ Advanced Language, Analytical Thinking, Motivation/Perseverance/Leadership, Perspective/Sensitivity/Humor, Creativity/Artistic Talent
  - ▣ Please note, evidence must be observed in advanced language and analytical thinking prior to other categories being scored.



# Identification in Subject-Area

- Students who do not identify in BOTH reading and math will be considered for Reading ONLY or Math ONLY identification using their CogAT subtest scores and *ITBS* achievement scores.

# Will there be future opportunities for identification?

- If a student does not identify as gifted in any area he/she may be reassessed after 24 months if the TD school-based committee feels it is in the best interest of the child.

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