



Flow Chart for Gifted Education Academic Services

**Annual Screening** of All Students, K-12  
Conducted by School Level Advisors and Resource Teachers

**Parent Referral**

**Teacher Referral**

**Referral** for Transfer Student identified as gifted

Parent referrals are accepted at any time.

**Parent Permission to Evaluate** is obtained

Because of the volume of referrals, this process is quite lengthy. There are three testing cycles each year.

**Student Assessment** and Collection of Data  
Conducted by resource teachers:  
*Ability tests*  
*Achievement tests*  
*Current grades*  
*Parent checklist*  
*Teacher checklist*  
*Work samples for Talent Pool*  
*Interview for Talent Pool*  
*Special needs*

Parents are notified of the decision by Sept. 1, Dec. 1 (Talent Pool), Nov. 1, or Mar. 1, depending on the cycle.

**Identification and Placement Committee**  
Reviews current student data and makes eligibility decision  
If eligible, makes placement decision according to academic needs of student  
Parent is notified of decision; school is notified of decision

**Student is eligible**  
Placement depends on academic needs;  
Parent permission is obtained

**Decision is deferred**  
pending additional data  
Parent is notified of data needed

**Student is not eligible**  
Student may be re-referred the following year  
Parent may appeal decision

Placement review decisions are made by Mar. 1.

**Grades K-2: Talent Pool**  
Student progress is reviewed by Identification and Placement Committee mid-second grade to determine formal identification; parent permission is obtained

Placement review decisions are made by Mar. 1.

**Grades 3-5**  
Placement in zoned school resource classes  
**OR**  
Placement at Mary Peake Center  
Student progress is reviewed by Identification and Placement Committee mid-fifth grade  
Parent permission is obtained for change in placement

**Grades 6-8**  
Continued placement in zoned school for resource classes  
**OR**  
Placement at Jones Middle School

**High School Options**  
Honors, AP, IB, or dual enrollment courses  
Student may apply to New Horizons Governor's School