

Pleasant Ridge Elementary School Gifted and Talented Academy



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Pleasant Ridge Elementary School

New main entrance to campus from Floyd Street



Landscaped courtyard area for outdoor learning activities

Fenced Playground Area where existing building now stand

Separate entrance for Staff & Busses from main entrance



Gifted and Talented Academy

Entrance Criteria, K-4

- Top 10% of students in their grade level

And/Or

- AIG Identified



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Gifted and Talented Academy

Projected Enrollment

- School-Wide Enrichment
 - All 800 Students (total enrollment)
- Paideia Concentration
 - 200 Identified Students

Gifted and Talented Academy

Paideia Concentration

- Holistic approach to education
- Explicit instruction in critical thinking process
- Collaborative partnerships
- Written expression
- Problem-based learning
- Extensive education professional development



Paideia Concentration



Didactic
The Acquisition of
Organized
Knowledge

10-15%



Coaching
Development of
Intellectual Skills

60-70%



Seminar
Increased
Understanding of
Ideas and Values

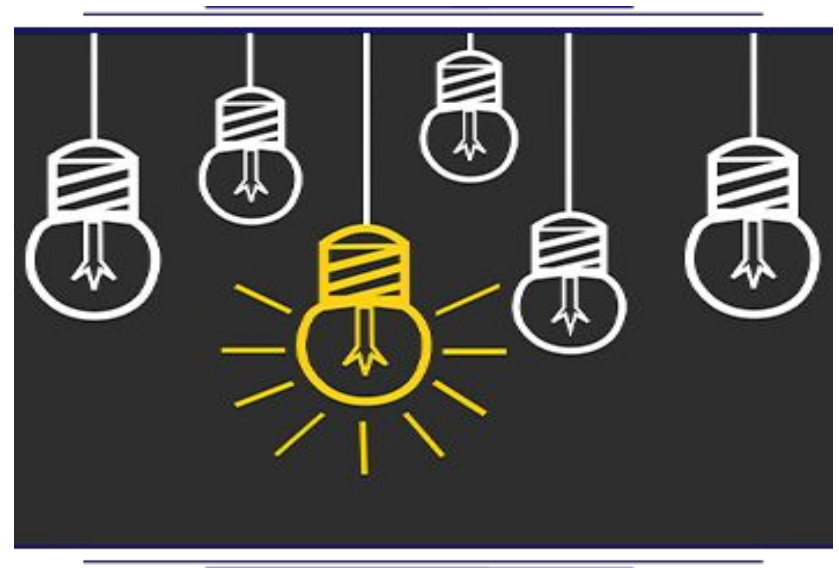
15-20%



School-Wide Enrichment Model (SEM)


Overview

- Broad Concept of Giftedness
- Enrichment Clusters
- Student Interest Surveys
- Compacted Curriculum
- Technology Focus




School-Wide Enrichment Model (SEM) Clusters

CLUSTERS



TEACHERS
use THEIR
interests to
create a
unique cluster



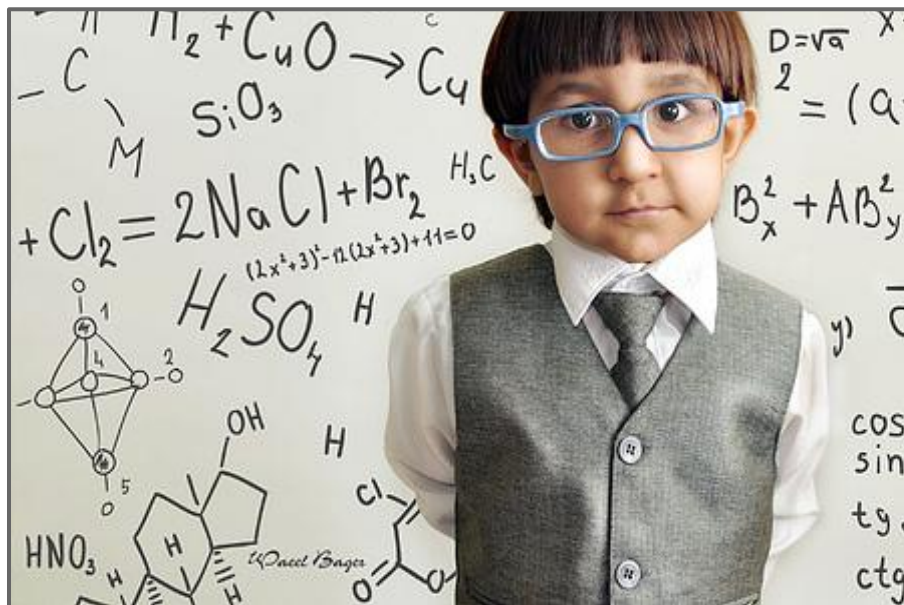
TEACHERS
offer &
advertise
their cluster



STUDENTS
choose



Invitation to Gifted and Talented Academy is not an automatic acceptance into Academically and Intellectually Gifted program.



Next Steps

- ✓ Complete paper application tonight OR online application between April 1st – May 15th.
- ✓ Parents notified of lottery decision in June 2017.
- ✓ Please make sure you sign in for tonight's event.

Contact Information

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Questions?

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