

Parent Information Session

HISD | Gifted and Talented
REVOLUTIONIZING THE WAY WE THINK





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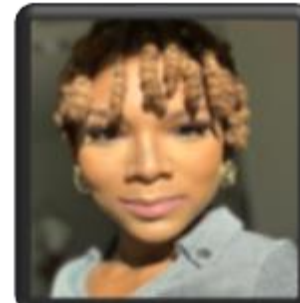
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AGENDA

What Is Gifted and Talented (G/T)?

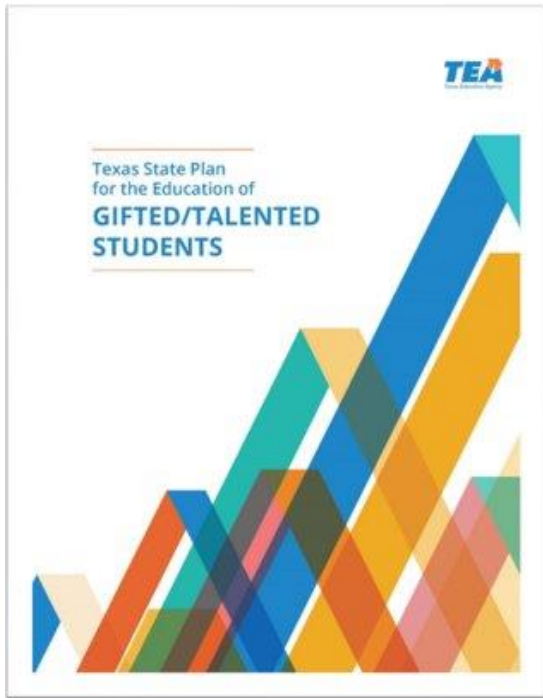
Gifted and Talented Services

Identification and Qualification of Gifted and Talented Students

Questions

What is Gifted and Talented (G/T)?





A gifted/talented student is a child or youth who performs at or shows the potential for performing at a remarkably high level of accomplishment when compared to others of the same age, experience, or environment and who



Exhibits high performance capability in an intellectual, creative, or artistic area;



Possesses an unusual capacity for leadership;



Excels in a specific academic field.



(Texas Education Code §29.121)

GIFTED & TALENTED SERVICES

What G/T services are offered in HISD?



Gifted students are served by teachers who have completed the state-required G/T trainings.



Gifted/talented students are ensured opportunities to work together as a group, work with other students, and work independently.



G/T students must be assured an array of learning opportunities that are commensurate with their abilities and that emphasize content in the four foundation curricular areas:
(Reading/Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies)

HISD Vanguard Magnet Campuses

Elementary Schools:

*Askew *Carrillo *Herod *Oak Forest *River Oaks *Roosevelt
 *T.H. Rogers *Travis *Windsor Village

Middle Schools:

*Black *Burbank *Hamilton *Lanier *T.H. Rogers

High School:

*Carnegie



IDENTIFICATION OF GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

How is G/T identification for students initiated?

The G/T identification process can be initiated in the following ways:

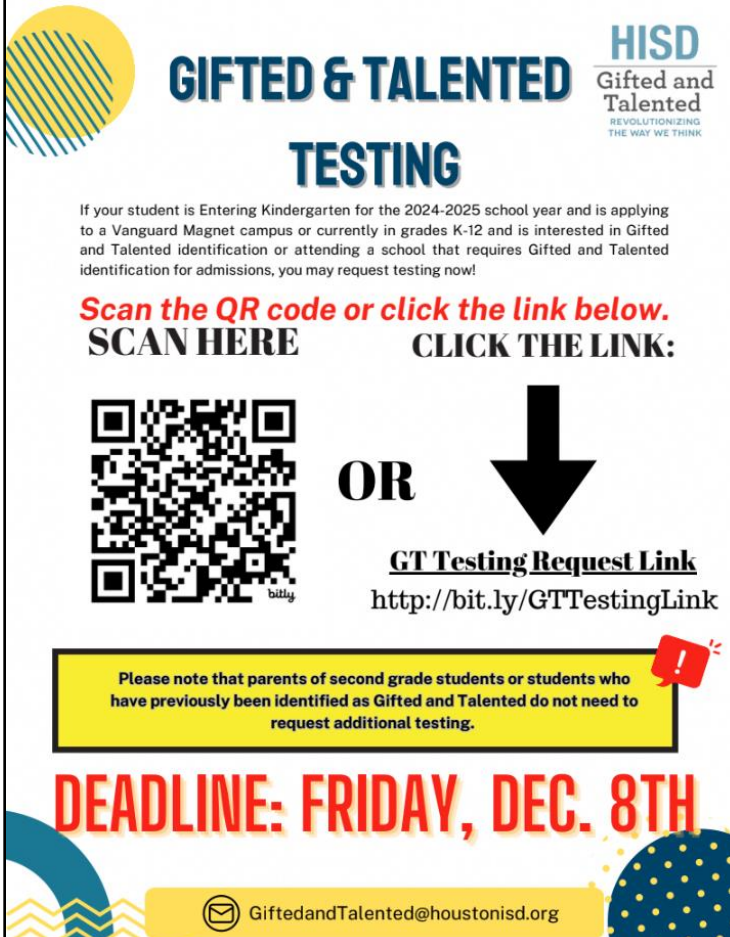
- ☐ Parent Request
- ☐ Teacher Nomination
- ☐ Student Self-Nomination
- ☐ Second Grade Universal GT Testing
- ☐ 5th & 8th grade MAP reading and math >75%

Request for Testing Process

Students in all grades can apply for Gifted and Talented testing through the Gifted and Talented Request for Testing Link.

GT Window application for parents to request G/T evaluation deadline: December 8, 2023

All students who are not currently GT identified and will be applying for any Magnet Vanguard School Choice program **MUST** request testing by Dec 8.




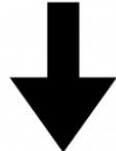
GIFTED & TALENTED TESTING

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If your student is Entering Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year and is applying to a Vanguard Magnet campus or currently in grades K-12 and is interested in Gifted and Talented identification or attending a school that requires Gifted and Talented identification for admissions, you may request testing now!

Scan the QR code or click the link below.


SCAN HERE **CLICK THE LINK:**

 **OR** 

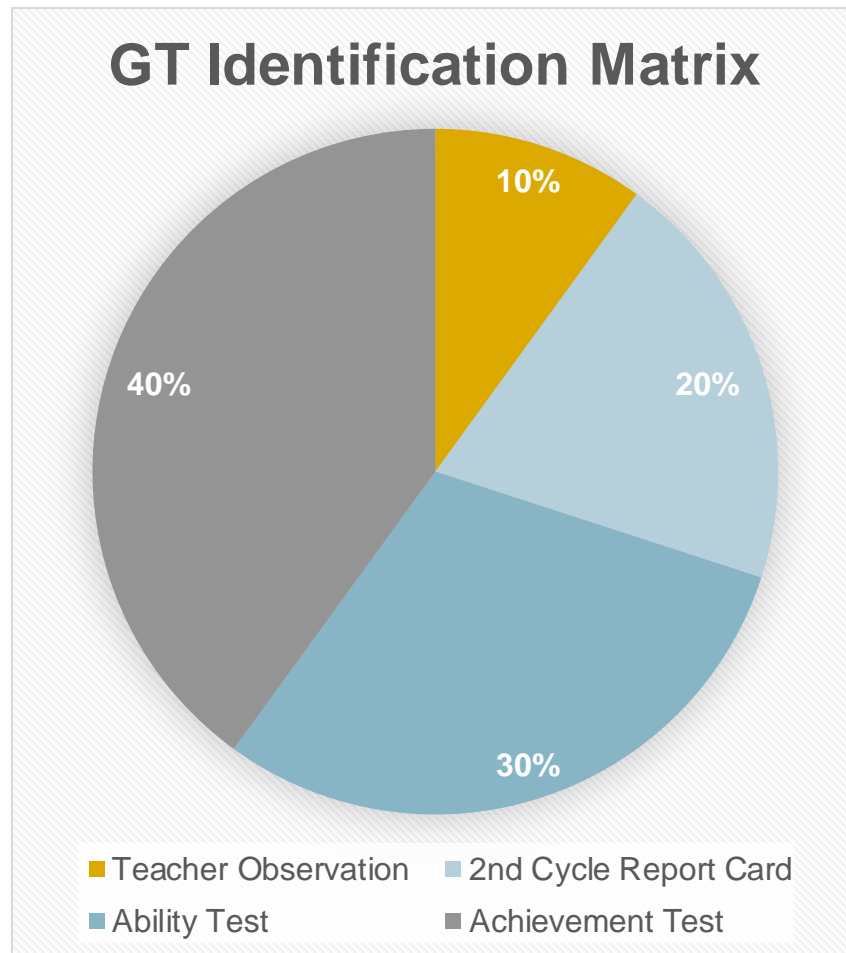
GT Testing Request Link
<http://bit.ly/GTTestingLink>

Please note that parents of second grade students or students who have previously been identified as Gifted and Talented do not need to request additional testing.

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, DEC. 8TH

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How do we determine if a student is GT?



- ☐ Teacher Observation: Teacher input on potential giftedness
- ☐ 2nd Cycle Report Card
- ☐ Ability Test: Non-Verbal Assessment
- ☐ Achievement Test: ELA and Math Scoring Assessment

G/T Qualification Process for Students

How Are G/T Tests Administered?

Current Pre-K 4 Students (Entering Kinder SY24-25)

- Students who are applying for the Kindergarten Vanguard Magnet program are assessed at a centralized location.

Currently Enrolled HISD 2nd Graders

- Universal GT testing
- Testing should be complete but make-up test window open until 12/16

Current Grades K- 1 and Grade 3 – 12 Enrolled Students

- Students test if any below occurs:
 - ✓ parent requests
 - ✓ teacher recommends
- Testing occurs where student is currently enrolled

Current Non-HISD Grade K–12 (NOT Enrolled)

- Students test if parent requests
- Testing occurs at the student's zoned campus based on address provided
- Campuses must coordinate directly with families to schedule

G/T Testing: Entering Kindergarten

Students must be five years old on or before September 1st of the eligible enrollment school year to be qualified for Entering Kindergarten Gifted and Talented testing.

Eligible students initiate participation in Entering Kindergarten G/T testing by:

Requesting testing through the Gifted and Talented Request for Testing Link.

Entering Kindergarten Testing Dates

December 2nd

December 9th

December 16th

January 13th

January 20th

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GT Testing: K – 12

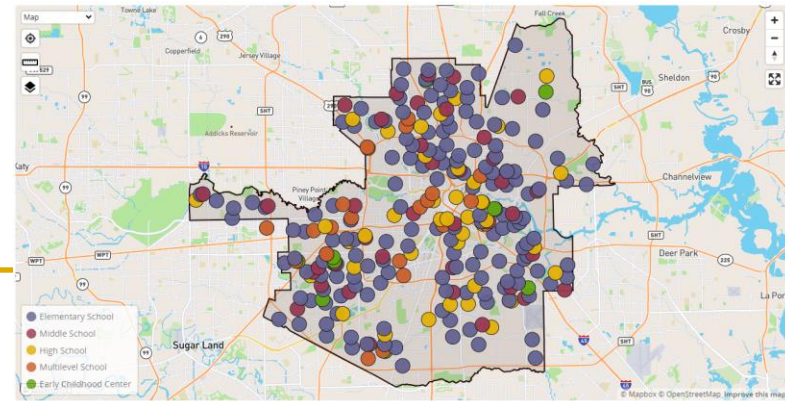
Grades K – 12th
(Enrolled/Non-Enrolled)

- Request testing through the Gifted and Talented Request for Testing Link

Testing Window:

- 2nd: October 9, 2023 – October 20, 2023
- Kinder – 12th: November 13, 2023 - December 16, 2023

Request G/T Testing
deadline: **December 8, 2023**



ZONED Campus....

- Students are assigned a campus based on their home address and the closest HISD school within the area.
- Check your address on the HISD website for your neighborhood/zoned campus at:
<https://schoolfinder.houstonisd.org/Dashboard>

Important Upcoming Dates

GT Assessment Window

- Kinder – 12th Grade
Nov 13 – Dec 16, 2023

Pre-K4/Entering Kindergarten Testing Dates

- December 2nd , 9th , 16th
- January 13th

Request for G/T Testing Deadline

- December 8, 2023

Please post your questions in the Q&A .

*Thank you for your participation and
involvement.*

