Evaluation Process

Referral windows: The months of September and January
Testing Windows: Testing will be completed by Thanksgiving Break for fall referrals and Spring Break for spring referrals.

- Referral Received: from parent, teacher, peer, student
- Send home parent permission for evaluation
- Once receive parent permission:
  - Send home parent checklist
  - Send out teacher checklist
    - Checklists provide qualitative data.
    - Anecdotes and examples are very helpful to the committee
  - Assess student
    - Quantitative data
    - Nonverbal ability test
    - Achievement tests in 4 core academic areas: math, science, SS, LA
- After receiving all of the above information and scores, the GT committee meets to discuss results. This committee consists of at least 3 people trained in the GT program and evaluation process.
- Results sent to parents.
- If the student qualified, a parent permission to enter the program will be sent with results. Please send back as soon as possible.

Criteria for Evaluation

To be automatically considered for the program: The student must score in the 90th percentile or higher on the nonverbal ability test and on 2 other measures, including creativity and achievement in math, science, SS and/or ELA.

If your child does not qualify by the criteria above, the committee will look at other criteria and factors involved in making decisions for that particular student. The committee may determine that we need other assessments to be performed before making the final decision.

They may look at: parent/teacher anecdotes and interviews, portfolios, grades, TPRI or other school assessments, STAAR/EOC exams, student interviews, etc.