

Ozark Mountain School District Gifted and Talented Program

Identification and Nomination Procedures

Program Overview

The Ozark Mountain School District Gifted and Talented (GT) Program is designed to provide specialized educational support for exceptional students who demonstrate outstanding intellectual, creative, or academic capabilities beyond standard classroom curriculum.

Nomination Process

Eligible Nominators

Referrals for the GT program are welcomed from:

- Parents
- Classroom teachers
- School administrators
- School counselors
- Students themselves
- Community members

Nomination Timeline

- Nominations are accepted continuously throughout the academic year
- Annual district-wide screening occurs in the spring semester for third-grade students

Identification Procedures

Initial Referral

1. Complete official GT referral form (available from GT Coordinator)
2. Submit comprehensive referral documentation
3. Obtain parental consent for assessment

Assessment Process

- Comprehensive evaluation including:
 - * Nonverbal cognitive assessments
 - * Academic performance records
 - * IQ test
 - * Creativity test

Placement Determination

A multidisciplinary placement committee will:

- Review all assessment data
- Determine appropriate educational placement
- Decide between:
 - * Continued mainstream classroom instruction
 - * Specialized GT pullout program

Contact Information

GT Coordinator: Patricia Jones

- Email: pjones@omsd.k12.ar.us
- Office Location: Western Grove

Parent/Guardian Rights

- Right to review assessment materials
- Option to decline GT program participation
- Ongoing communication about student's educational progress

Program Commitment

The Ozark Mountain School District is committed to:

- Identifying gifted students
- Providing challenging, appropriate educational experiences
- Supporting individual student growth and potential

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