



Coleman Independent School District

Kindergarten Screening for Gifted and Talented Services

Beginning in Kindergarten, Coleman ISD considers all students for gifted education services. The campus Gifted and Talented teacher will observe and interact in Kindergarten classes during September and October to deliver a planned experience. Planned experiences are sets of high-level activities designed specifically to elicit and identify gifted behaviors. Planned experiences consider the performance and behaviors that are not able to be assessed through the use of standardized tests.

All kindergarten students will also take the beginning of year assessments as scheduled in class. This data will be used to identify potentially academically gifted students for further screening. According to the state of Texas, students demonstrate a need for gifted and talented services when they consistently perform in the 95th-99th percentiles as in relation to their peers.

In November, district GT teachers will review data for all students and identify those who meet initial academic criteria. Upon parental approval, the campus GT teacher will conduct further evaluations.

Students who meet the district gifted education service criteria will be recommended to receive services at their campus. Services will begin the first week of March.

If parents do not receive a letter of permission to assess for GT services from the campus, parents have the right to request an assessment. Parent requests should begin by contacting the campus GT teacher by phone or email. Testing requests must be made prior to November 17, 2023.

Thank you,

Coleman ISD Elementary

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