ZACHARY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAMS

GIFTED PROGRAM

The Zachary Community School District offers a Gifted Program for students who are identified as academically gifted. This program provides a challenging and rigorous curriculum to engage, motivate and inspire students to become lifelong scholars. It includes acceleration, compacting and enrichment while incorporating technology and the arts through all subject areas. Students are given opportunities to extend their classroom learning by visiting museums, science research centers and historical sites, as well as interviewing and interacting with content experts who visit the classrooms. Students are active participatns in the learning process as they construct meaning through hands-on and rich educational experiences. The goal of this program is to inspire, challenge and motivate students to become critical, creative thinkers and independent, lifelong learners.

Sample Characteristics of Gifted Children:

- Comprehends well
- Acquires knowledge quickly
- Inquisitive
- Gets excited about new ideas
- Responsible
- Articulate, verbally fluent
- Independent thinker/learner
- Original, unconventional, imaginative
- Observant
- Exhibits creativity
- Thinks abstractly
- Expressive (oral/written/art)





TALENTED PROGRAM

The Zachary Community School District offers a Talented Arts Program for Kindergarten through 12th grade students who are identified as talented in music, theatre and/or visual arts. This exemplary program challenges students as they are encouraged to use their imagination as they create original works of art through enriching and meaningful artistic endeavors. The students work with highly qualified instructors who have acquired their Masters in Fine Arts degree or Artists in Residence.

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