

Attention: **Second Grade Families!**

COMING IN OCTOBER

WHAT? Universal Screener

WHO? All 2nd grade students
No referral needed

WHY? To identify students who might benefit from Gifted and Talented (GT) services

What is GT?

Gifted and talented refers to a child who performs or shows the potential of performing at a remarkably high level of accomplishment when compared to others of the same age, experience, or environment.

Gifted and talented children may also exhibit an unusual capacity for leadership or high-performance capability in an intellectual, creative, or artistic area.

In AISD, GT services are provided at every campus for GT-identified students. Each campus has a GT Advocate to support GT services.

Common Characteristics of GT Students

You may notice some of these characteristics and behaviors in GT students:

- Large vocabulary
- Interest in problem-solving
- Intense curiosity
- Early reader
- Diverse interests/abilities
- Highly creative
- Developed sense of humor
- Intuitive
- Highly sensitive and/or empathetic
- Highly enthusiastic and/or energetic
- Asks many questions

How can I support my child?

All 2nd grade students will participate in the GT screener assessment in October. It is not necessary to do any test preparation at home. A good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast will ensure your child is ready for the day!

A few things families can do everyday to support academic success:

- Read together. Read anything, anywhere!
- Talk together. Ask questions and leave time to listen to answers.
- Look for numbers, shapes, and patterns. Talk about what you observe.

Additional questions?

Please reach out to your campus GT Advocate with any questions about the upcoming GT Universal Screener or GT Services.

