

How is Gifted Defined?

Gifted students are those who perform at or who have demonstrated the potential to perform at high levels in academic or creative fields when compared to others of their age, experience, or environment. These students require services not ordinarily provided by the regular school program. Students possessing these abilities can be found in all population, across all economic strata, and in all areas of human endeavor.

How are Gifted Students in the Russell County School District identified?

A student may be referred for consideration for gifted services by teachers, counselors, administrators, parents or guardians, peer, self, or any other individuals with knowledge of the student's abilities. Additionally, all second grade students will be observed as potential gifted referrals using a gifted behavior checklist. For each student referred, information is gathered in the following three areas:

- APTITUDE
- CHARACTERISTICS
- PERFORMANCE

What Services are provided through gifted education in Russell County?

- Resources Room pull-out program for identified gifted students in grades 3-6
- Students attend resource classes with differentiated curriculum designed to meet the abilities and interests of the students.
- Enrichment Classes for student in grades 3-6 – Scheduled to provide a supplement to the regular class by offering exploration of academic topics or current issues.
- Accelerated Classes

Middle School	Social Studies Mathematics
9th Grade	Honors English Honors Biology
10th Grade	Honors U.S. History Honor English
11th Grade	AP English AP US History
12th Grade	AP English AP Mathematics

In what types of projects have students in the Gifted Program for Grades 3-6 been involved?

- Theater Games and Activities
- Designing and Building
- Problem Solving Challenges
- Product Testing
- Gaming Strategies
- Museum Trips
- Artist in Residence
- Art Projects
- Current Affairs
- Cooperative Challenges
- Social Studies Challenges
- Map Studies



Who To Contact To Make A Referral?

A person can contact the local school principal, gifted specialist, special education teacher, or special education coordinator to make a student referral for gifted services.

For More Information or Additional Copies of This Brochure Contact:

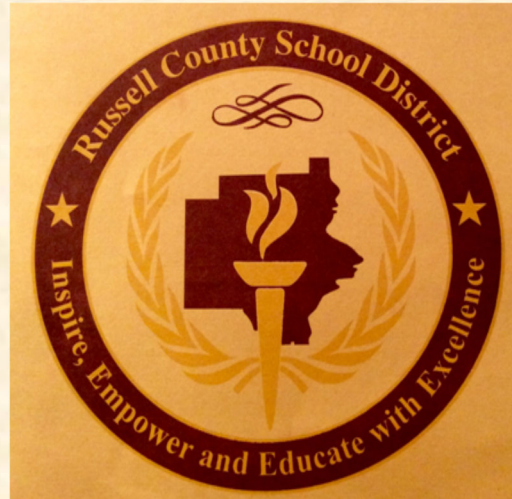
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