

Cedarwood School's PLUS Program

Characteristics of High-Achieving Students with Exceptional Abilities

If you have seen evidence of these specific characteristics in your child, please contact the school's guidance counselor for a Referral Form for your child. *Please note that the referral of a student does not ensure placement into the PLUS program. A complete evaluation and student review will be conducted to determine the appropriate educational plan for each student.

Math Talent

- Sees mathematical patterns/ relationships
- Is intensely curious about numeric information
- An unusual ability to think and work with mathematical problems in flexible, creative ways
- Thinks abstractly and reasons analytically
- Persistence in solving difficult and complex problems
- Quickly learns and understands mathematical ideas

Writing Talent

- Demonstrates advanced understanding of language
- Sophisticated ideas and sentence structure
- Demonstrate ease in the use of written language
- Uses vivid expansive vocabulary when writing
- Uses colorful and descriptive phrasing in written Language
- Composes with unusual detail and skill

Music Talent

- Matches pitches accurately
- Is able to duplicate complex rhythms correctly Techniques
- Demonstrates unusual ability on an instrument unique, including voice
- Has a high degree of aural memory/ musical memory
- Displays compulsive musical pursuit

Art Talent

- Has a grasp of portion and space
- Can show images with different sketching
- Understands how to use materials, typical and to create works of art
- Has unusual and richly, imaginative ideas

Literary Talent

- Processes information and thoughts at an accelerated pace
- Ability to learn through verbalization
- Perceives unusual relationships among concepts or ideas
- Grasp complex ideas and nuances
- Reads and comprehends materials that are significantly above grade level
- Loves to read; extensive reading
- Advanced use of language to express and appreciate complex meanings