



Instruction – Series 2000 Highly Capable Education – 2190p

Nomination for the highly capable program

Any one or group of the following may nominate a student for participation in the highly capable program:

- Parents
- Teachers
- Administrators
- Other

Any student in grades K-12 may be nominated during the District's annual referral window.

Procedures for determination and selection of highly capable students:

1. The following multiple criteria are used to determine qualification into the Highly Capable Program: (WAC 392-170-055)
 - a. Cognitive Ability – CogAt (verbal, quantitative, non-verbal batteries)
 - b. Academic Achievement – ITBS Iowa Test of Basic Skills (math & reading)
 - c. Exceptional Creativity – Torrence Test of Creativity
2. Students are eligible for determination, testing, and selection into the highly capable program once yearly. Students newly enrolled in the District, without previous testing results available, will be screened within the first three months of their enrollment.
3. A District multi-disciplinary team will meet to review and approve the District's selection system and make final selection of students to participate in the District's HC program.
4. Students moving into the Peninsula School District who were previously qualified for a highly capable program in another school district may submit evidence of qualification for multi-disciplinary team review. Students not previously tested using the multiple criteria listed above or having inadequate supporting evidence will be tested by Peninsula School District during regularly scheduled district-wide testing.
5. Private testing will not be used for eligibility requirements.

Procedures for appealing the determination and selection of students into the highly capable program:

1. Parents or guardians may request an appeal of their child's eligibility criteria.
2. Appeals are resolved through the District multi-disciplinary team.
3. Appeals must be approved and finalized by the Assistant Superintendent for Learning and Teaching.

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