

Help your child discover the joy of creativity!

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While not every creative child is intellectually gifted, it is likely that those identified as gifted have creative potential. Although some might disagree, **it would seem that unless rigid standards, perfectionism, or a drive for extrinsic rewards have robbed them of their intrinsic motivation, most gifted children possess this creative potential.** They are deep, inquisitive thinkers, question everything, think "outside the box" and see a range of possibilities in most situations. They are often highly sensitive and have a profound sense of fairness and justice. They can size up other people and most situations quickly and accurately. Let's give them the freedom to explore and expand upon their creative nature at home, and insist on opportunities for creative expression within the schools.

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ELP Quote of the Month

*"Creativity is contagious.
Pass it on."*

Albert Einstein



Considering ELP?

Do you see your child in several of these traits? You may want to consider an ELP assessment:

- * displays advanced reasoning skills.
- * quickly sees why things happen and what causes them to happen.
- * understands new ideas or subjects with little effort.
- * shows a great deal of curiosity.
- * sees and creates patterns in areas such as speech, art, music, numbers and nature.
- * obsesses in an interest area.
- * insists on perfection.
- * recognizes the humor in different situations.
- * makes connections.
- * perceives and observes beyond his/her years.

If



your child is entering grades 7 or 8 next year, you may be interested in exploring a MELP (magnet) or NELP (neighborhood) placement. Parent Information Meetings will be held at the district office, 440 E 100 S, rooms 112-114, Wednesday, October 11 Tuesday, October 24, 6:00 — 7:30 PM.

ELP Testing Information for 2018-2019 School Year

Middle School Registration:

Sept 25—Nov 1, 2017

Testing window:
Nov 1—Dec 14, 2017

Elementary Registration:

Dec 6, 2017—Jan 26, 2018

Testing windows:
K—3, Jan 26—Mar 1, 2018
4—6, Feb 20—23, 2018

Books to Help Inspire Creativity!



This book includes ideas for imaginative play, art and crafts, nature explorations, and family celebrations.



This book includes ideas for imaginative play, math, movement, music, cooking, science, storytelling, visual arts, questioning, cooperative games, media, and nature.



Are you looking for strategies that increase children's confidence as creative thinkers, or build the foundation for a life-long habit of creative thinking?