



The Office of Advanced Academics and Innovation

Duncanville Independent School District
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GATE Specialists Roles and Responsibilities

GATE Specialists support identified Gifted and Talented (GT) students and their teachers. Their goal is to build the capacity of the teacher of record to ensure GT students receive the instructional challenges and support they need. GATE specialists are assigned to four campuses where they have compliance expectations for students and teachers, instructional expectations for identified students, and professional development expectations for identified GT Teachers. GATE specialists are responsible for establishing systems and goals for their target audiences. To that end, please see a short list of appropriate supports for the GATE Specialists at the campus level.

Approved Gate Activities	Not Approved Gate Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide instructional extensions for GT scholars (minimum 45 minutes per week) ● Professional development for teachers with identified GT scholars ● Monitor professional development implementation (co-teaching, planning assistance, modeling GATE strategies) ● Share ideas and resources ● Test potential GATE students ● Collaborate with the counselor throughout the identification process ● Communicate with campus administration and teachers of identified GATE students regularly (weekly updates, monthly principal meetings) ● Lead Campus GATE Committee Meetings ● Conduct a yearly GATE survey of parents, students and teachers regarding program effectiveness and needs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Responsible for various duty assignments ● Working with unidentified students ● Substituting for classroom teachers ● Evaluating teachers ● Writing lesson plans ● Making Copies ● Reporting confidential conversations ● Responsible for a tutoring group on a regular basis