

Advanced Academics in Northwest ISD

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What is Advanced Academics?

**Gifted
Services**

Honors/AP

PSAT/SAT

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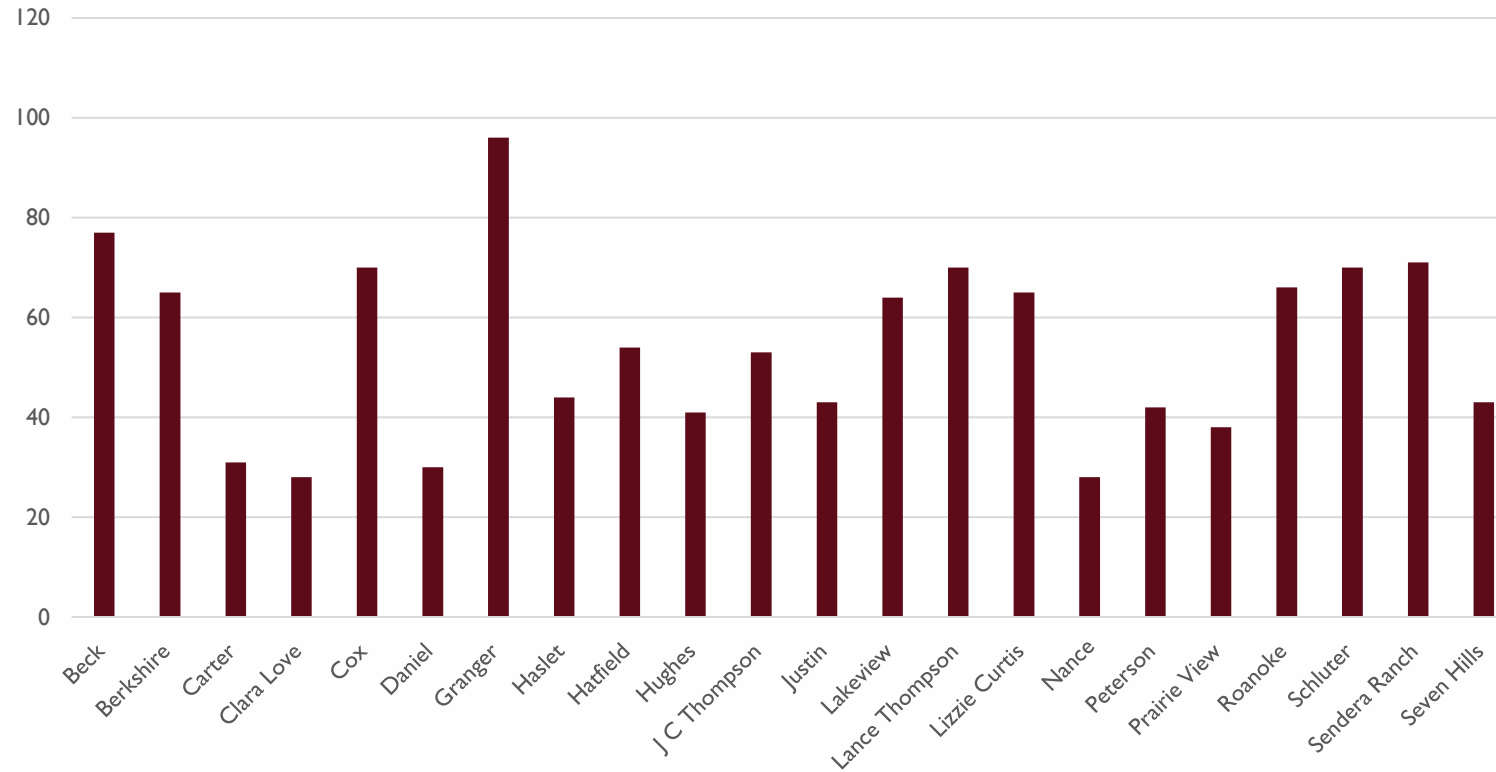
Elementary Services

	Kinder	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out
District Expectations	30 min/class	90	90	150	180	180

GATES teachers also provide enrichment opportunities for students, run Maker Spaces, and collaborate with classroom teachers when it comes to planning for gifted learners. They also test students who are referred and meet with parents to discuss the results.

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Elementary GT Enrollment



NISD has 1 testing window in each semester.

NISD does universal screening for all 2nd graders.

All Kindergarteners are considered referrals and are screened for services.

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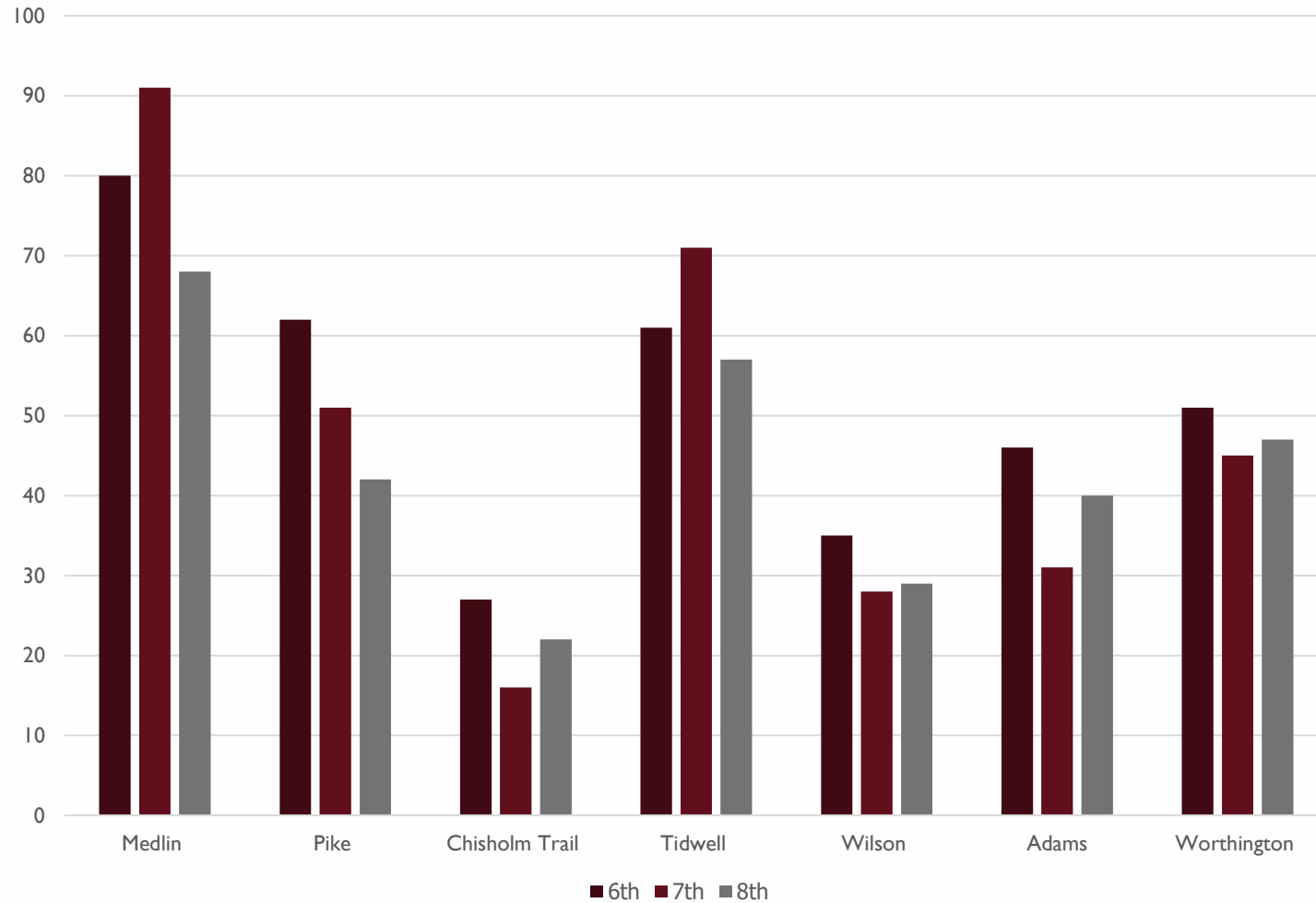
Middle School Services

	ELA	Math*	Science	Social Studies	Elective
6 th Grade	GT Honors	GT Compacted Advanced Math	Honors	Honors	GT Explorations
7 th Grade	GT Honors	GT PreAlgebra	Honors	Honors	
8 th Grade	GT Honors	GT Algebra I	Honors	Honors	

*Accelerated students will be in GT Geometry as 8th graders.

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Gifted Learners in Middle School



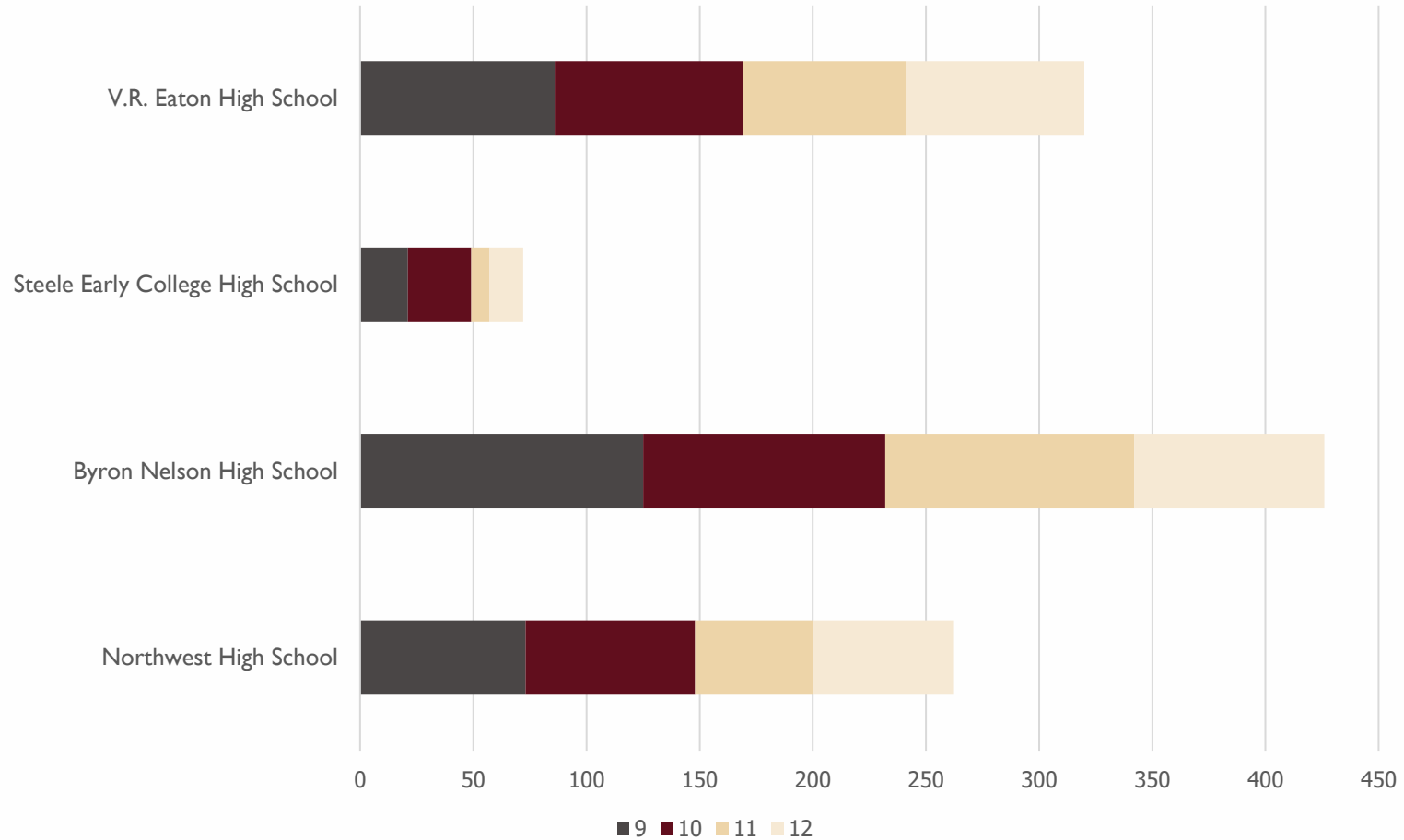
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High School Services

	ELA	Math	Science	Social Studies
9 th Grade	GT English 1	GT Honors Geometry or Alg 2	Honors	GT AP Human Geo
10 th Grade	GT English 2	GT Honors Alg 2 or AP PreCal	Honors or AP	GT AP World History
11 th Grade	GT AP Lang	AP PreCal or AP Cal	AP	GT AP US History
12 th Grade	GT AP Lit	AP Cal or AP Stats Multi-variable Calculus	AP	GT AP Gov't GT AP Eco

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Gifted Learners in High School



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Accelerated Math

Students take a CBE during the summer to determine if they have mastered the math TEKS for the upcoming school year. If they have, then acceleration to the next grade level of math can be provided.

Learn more about math acceleration in elementary [here](#).

Campus	5th Grade	4th Grade	3rd Grade	2nd Grade	1st Grade	Total
Beck	4	6	4	1		15
Berkshire	1			1		2
Carter	2	1		1		4
Cox	8	2	6	1		17
Curtis	1	1	1			3
Daniel						0
Granger	5	5		2		13
Haslet	3	2	1			6
Hatfield	2	1				3
Hughes	1	3				5
JCT		2	1			3
Justin	1	1	1			3
Lakeview	10	8				18
Lance	3	1	2	1		7
Love			2			2
Nance	1	1				2
Peterson	5	2		1		8
Prairie View						0
Roanoke	2	1	1			4
Schluter	2	2	2			6
Sendera Ranch	1	11				12
Seven Hills	1					1
TOTAL	53	50	21	8	0	132

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Honors/AP

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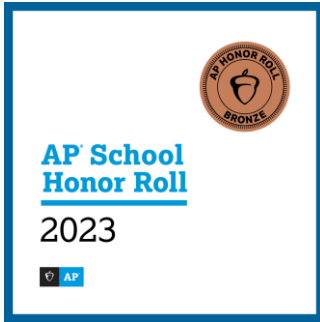
AP Exams

	Spring 2022	Spring 2023
Byron Nelson	972 students taking 1972 exams	964 students taking 2001 exams
Eaton	670 students taking 1360 exams	713 students taking 1334 exams
Northwest	432 students taking 668 exams	382 students taking 530 exams
Steele	26 students taking 29 exams	26 students taking 32 exams
NISD Total	2100 students taking 4029 exams	2085 students taking 3897 exams

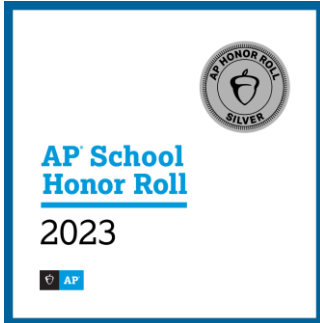
In total, Northwest ISD currently offers 28 different AP courses. Last year, 1419 students earned scores of 3 or higher on at least one exam.

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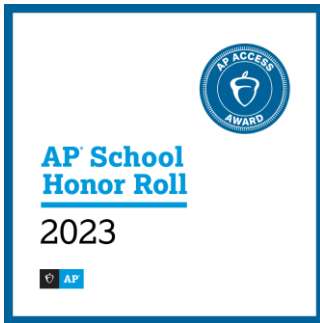
AP School Honor Roll



Eaton & Steele



Byron Nelson



Eaton & Byron Nelson

In order to earn the distinction of AP School Honor Roll, schools must meet each of the following criteria for their students in the most recent graduating class

- 40% or more of the graduating cohort took at least 1 AP Exam during high school.
- 25% or more of the graduating cohort scored a 3 or higher on at least 1 AP Exam during high school.
- 2% or more of the graduating cohort took 5 or more AP Exams during high school. At least 1 of those exams was taken in 9th or 10th grade, so that students are spreading their AP experience across grades rather than feeling disproportionate pressure in any single year.

In addition, Byron Nelson and Eaton have both earned the AP Access Award, which honors schools that demonstrate a clear and effective commitment to equitable access to advanced coursework. Schools earn the additional award if the percentage of AP Exam takers who are underrepresented minority and/or low-income students mirrors the school's overall student demographics.

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Teacher Support

- 32 AP and Honors teachers attended an APSI in Summer 2023.
- 27 AP & Honors teachers attended NMSI and LTF training through the Department of Defense grant we received.
- Digital platform from College Board for all teachers with progress checks, a question bank, and other resources.

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Student Support

AP Super Saturdays 2023	
Course	Student Total
English Language	11
English Lit	14
Calculus	92
Environmental Science	23
Biology	33
World History	109
Human Geography	90

Overall, students who attend a Super Saturday tend to score a 3 or higher over students who do not attend.

AP Super Saturday is a 3 hour review session for AP exams led by an AP Reader.

Campuses also offer mock exams so students can experience an AP exam before the actual test in May.

Total Number of Students Attending an AP Super Saturday	372
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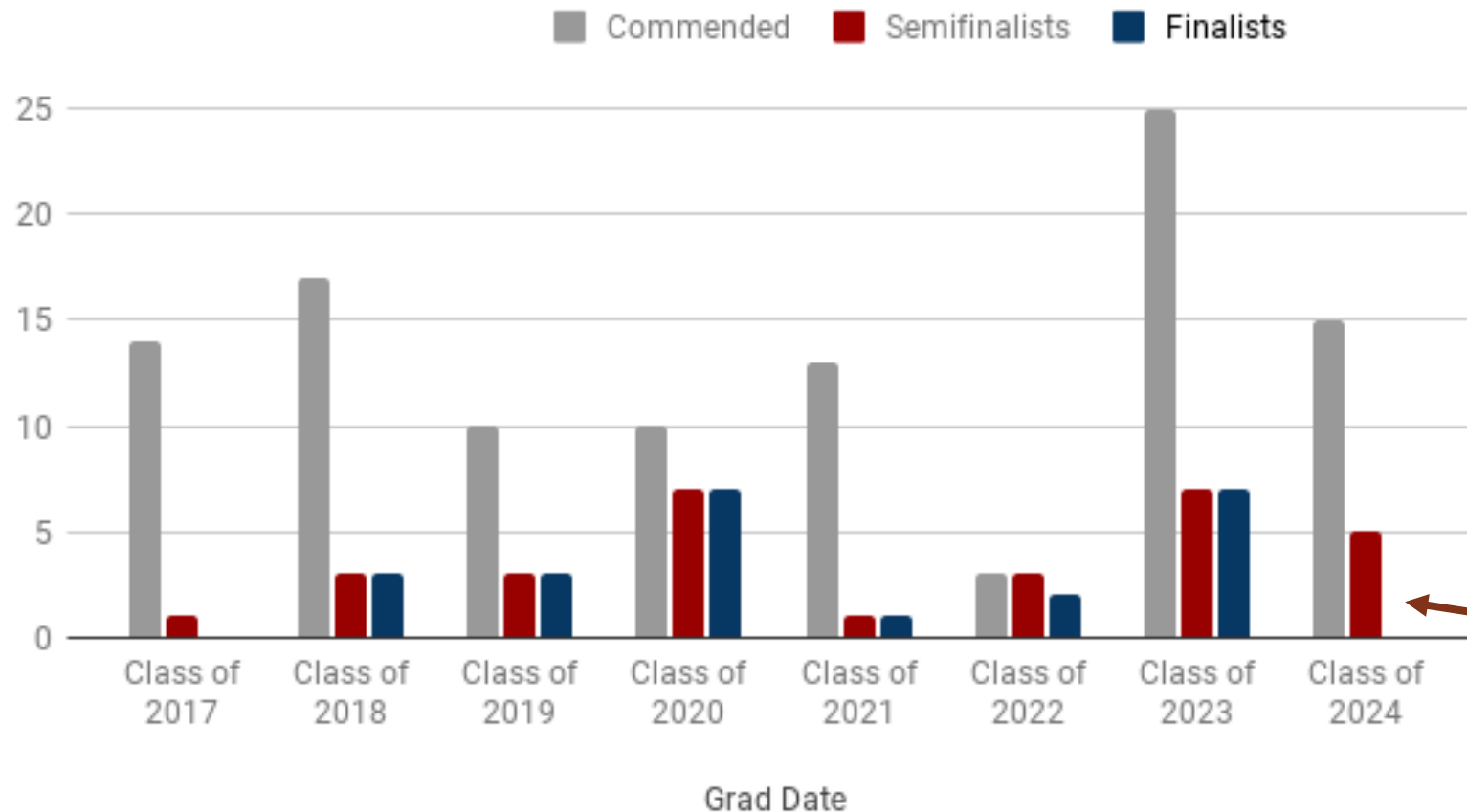
National Merit & National Recognitions

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National Merit

Commended, Semifinalists, Finalists



Learn more about the National Merit Scholarship Program [here](#).

Students qualify for National Merit when they take the PSAT/NMSQT in October of their Junior year.

Finalists for the class of 2024 will be announced in January of 2024.

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		Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023
NHS	Rural/Small Town Recognition	0	0	0
	Hispanic Recognition	11	2	2
	African American Recognition	5	4	6
	Indigenous Recognition	1	0	0
BNHS	Rural/Small Town Recognition	29	44	68
	Hispanic Recognition	20	9	11
	African American Recognition	9	9	7
	Indigenous Recognition	0	0	1
EHS	Rural/Small Town Recognition	17	30	35
	Hispanic Recognition	9	8	6
	African American Recognition	9	4	4
	Indigenous Recognition	0	2	0
Steele	Rural/Small Town Recognition	0	0	0
	Hispanic	0	3	1
	African American	0	2	1
	Indigenous	0	1	1

College Board National Recognition Program

Sophomores and juniors are score eligible if they score in the top 10% on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10 within program by state in the eligible exam periods. Sophomores and juniors are also score eligible if they score a 3 or higher on two or more distinct AP Exams in the eligible exam periods.

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Extracurriculars

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Destination Imagination 2022-23

GFW DI Regional Tournament	
Level	Number of Teams
	0
Elementary (3 rd -5 th)	47
Middle School	14
Rising Stars (K-2)	22
High School	11
Grand Total	76

Campus	Team	Regional Results & Awards	State Results	Global Results
NHS	Ultimate Skeleton Dragons	1st (tie)	6th	7th
NHS	Ultimate Skeleton Dragons	1st High IC		4th
BNHS	Fire Breathing Rubber Dux	1st High IC	1st	3rd Highest IC
BNHS	Hexanauts	1st (tie)	5th	12th
Lakeview	The Wabbits	2nd	3rd	12th
BNHS	Oompa Loompas	1st High IC		
Medlin	Ms. Mandy's Story	1st High IC Renaissance		
Adams	Petrified Pickles	2nd		
JCT	Just Here for the Snacks!	2nd		
Medlin	Wait . . .What??	2nd		
Wilson	Flippin' Chickens	2nd		

As of November 1, 2023, NISD has 104 teams signed up. To learn more about Destination Imagination, visit <https://www.destinationimagination.org/>.

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Destination Imagination

2022-23



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UIL Academics

UIL Tournaments will be in the spring. Teachers sign up to coach a specific event and then work with students before or after school to prepare them for the tournament.

Each high school has multiple teams and events. Teams will compete within their UIL district with the opportunity to advance to Regionals and then State.

Notable Firsts in 2023

- Literary Criticism team from Eaton advanced to State, earning 2nd place.
- Steele Early College participated in UIL for the first time.

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Summer Opportunities

- Camp Invention (K-5th Grade)
- Creative Problem Solving Camp (2nd – 8th)
- Camp Pursuit
- PSAT Summer Academy (9th & 10th Grade)
- Young Scholars & Innovators Academy (invited 7th & 8th Grade)

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