For two years, Hillcrest hosted a special class made up of Summit County’s gifted 5th graders. The state board of education provided $10,800 in funding with the Summit County Board of Education putting in $1,500. 21 Fifth grade students with IQs between 140-163 were chosen from the 13 Summit County Schools, including Revere’s Gary Durant and Andrew Zakrajsek. Mrs. Karen Klomp was chosen as the teacher. The program lasted for two years and then funding was not renewed.