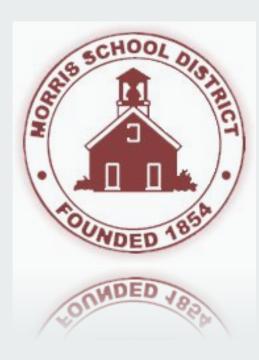
MSD K-8 Gifted and Talented 2023-24

Enrichment, Quest, and Beyond

G&T SHOWCASE

January 22, 2024 MSD Board of Education



Gifted and Talented (G&T) in the MSD

Offerings K-8

Whole School Enrichment Opportunities

Consortium offerings; Enrichment "Clusters"; In class differentiation for gifted learners

K-3: Enrichment

Fluid Groupings & based on multiple measures.

4-8: Quest (6-9%)

Multiple measures to identify students and continue in Quest through 8th Grade.



Staff Development

<u>K-8:</u> Articulation and Planning (Oct 9)

K-8: NJGCTP and NJAGC Resources (Nov. 7)

<u>6-8:</u> Competitions and Best Practices, Prisms VR Training (Nov. 7)

<u>K-5</u>: Unleashing Potential: Gifted and Talented Instruction at the Elementary Level (Jan. 8, 2024)



K-5 Elementary Enrichment and Quest

- **G** Schools identified Quest students for Grades 4-5 (Oct)
- K-3 Enrichment identified starting between November January, with fluid grouping changes.
- □ Introduction to <u>NJCGTP Activities</u> for consideration
 - "Do you want to Build" and STEAM Machines (STEAM)
 - **General See Jan. 11th (***LINGUISTIC***)**
 - Learning Carnival (MULTI AREA)
 - **D** Poster Design and Workshop on the Arts (Arts)
 - And more.....
- **Enrichment "Clusters" using Interest Surveys (Spring)**



ADED

Frelinghuysen Middle School (6-8)

- FMS Quest Newsletter Fall Edition "Falcon Quest" (Nov)
- FMS Quest Back to School Night (Sept)
- Afterschool program (1 day a week)
- Parent & Student Survey (Nov) regarding Quest **Programming at FMS with follow up Winter Parent Night**
- **NJCGTP Spelling Bee**
- Grade 6 Nature Scavenger Hunt (NJCGTP)
- Grade 6 to Frelinghuysen Arboretum (Nov. 1)
- Grade 7 NJBA Law Adventure and Spelling Bee (Dec. 7)
- Grade 8 Future City Jan. 13th and Model U.N.
- Visits by Judge Ironson (Oct. 20), Assemblywoman Dunn (12/8), MHS student (Former Future City Winner), and Hardest Math Problem Challenge parent specialists 5 entries moving onto ROUND 2. One student has moved on in TWO



grade levels

Additional Gifted and Talented Tasks

Updates to the MSD G&TWebsite page



G&T Program Survey of other NJ School districts (via NJAGC)



43 responses

Quest to the Future

Recent & Looking Ahead

- Continued Staff PD and staff articulation/collaboration
- Grades 3-5 Spelling Bee (Jan. 11)
- Grades K-5 "Do You Want to Build" (Dec-Feb)
- 8th Grade trip to the UN (Jan. 5) and Model U.N.
- FMS Future City Competition (Jan. 13th)
 - Select FMS participants American Math Competition (Jan. 19)



The Stars of G&T, the STUDENTS

MSD Students earned..

- 1st place 3-5 Regional Spelling Bee
- Top 10 at State Regional "Future City" Competition
- 1st Place Middle School Level Nature Scavenger Hunt
 - 2nd Place Varsity & JV Middle School Spelling Bee







Regional SPELLING BEE (Middle School)

Sponsored by the School Consortium on NJ

Luke Cardinale (2nd Place JV) Daniel Tuck (2nd Place Varsity)





The 8 FMS Students who participated



Sponsored by the NJCGTP

Owen Foglyano-AH (1st Place Overall) Other finalists Mia Masterson-SX (7th Place) Finnegan Montaque-SX (11th Place) Leo Escobar-NP





Nature Scavenger Hunt (Middle School)

Sponsored by the NJCGTP

1st Place (Middle School Division)

"The Dewdrops" Brianna Gumpper Kayla Zhang Dina Varghese





Future City Competition

<u>at Rutgers University</u>

Sponsored by Discover Engineering

Top 10 at NJ Regional (9th Place)



"Vetravive City" Tara Gumpper Evan Smith Arthur Rachofsky Emery Perkel Jack France

Congratulations G&T Students!

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