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Important related information:

- Data shall be gathered in each of the four assessment categories.
- At least one of the criteria must be met by a score on a **nationally normed** test.
- Any data used to establish eligibility in one category shall not be used to establish eligibility in another category.
- If a rating scale is used to evaluate motivation, a rating scale shall not be used to establish eligibility in another category.
- Any test score used to establish eligibility shall be **current within two years**.
- The Talented and Gifted Program will only administer **each specific** standardized test once every two calendar years.
- Data gathered and analyzed by a private licensed psychologist shall be used **only in the mental ability category for Option B**. It shall be supported by two of the three remaining categories. One of the three remaining categories must be a nationally normed test administered by a school.

Data Category	Option A	Option B
	Student must have a qualifying score in the mental ability AND achievement categories.	Student must qualify in three of the four categories.
Mental Ability	<p>Grades K-2: 99th percentile complete composite score or full-scale score on a nationally-normed mental ability test.</p> <p>Grades 3-12: ≥96th percentile complete composite or full-scale score on a nationally-normed mental ability test</p>	<p>Grades K-12: ≥96th percentile on composite or full-scale score OR ≥96th percentile on a component score of a nationally-normed mental ability test</p>
Achievement	<p>Grades K-12: ≥90th percentile in Total Reading, Total Math, or Complete Battery on a nationally-normed achievement test.</p>	<p>Grades K-12: ≥90th percentile in Total Reading, Total Math, or Complete Battery on a nationally-normed achievement test.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Superior product/performance with a score of ≥90 on a scale of 1-100, as evaluated by a panel of three or more qualified evaluators, as indicated in:</p> <p>Grade 6: Product from an above-level core middle school academic course from Semester 1 (excluding World Languages)</p> <p>Grades 7-8: Product from an above-level core middle school academic course from the previous semester (excluding World Languages)</p> <p>Grades 9-12: Product from an honors, advanced placement, dual enrollment, or International Baccalaureate Diploma Program course from the previous semester</p>
Creativity	Data gathered	<p>Grades K-12: ≥90th percentile composite score on a nationally normed test of creative thinking</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Superior product/performance with a score of ≥90 on a scale of 1-100, as evaluated by a panel of three or more qualified evaluators, as indicated in:</p> <p>Grades K-5: Products from teacher directed lessons</p> <p>Grades K-12: Individual winner of a district level academic competition*</p>
Motivation	Data gathered	<p>Superior product/performance with a score of ≥90 on a scale of 1-100, as evaluated by a panel of three or more qualified evaluators, as indicated in:</p> <p>Grades K-5: Products from teacher directed lessons</p> <p>Grade 6: Product from an above-level core middle school academic course from Semester 1 (excluding World Languages)</p> <p>Grades 7-8: Product from an above-level core middle school academic course from the previous semester (excluding World Languages)</p> <p>Grades 9-12: Product from an honors, advanced placement, dual enrollment, or International Baccalaureate Diploma Program course from the previous semester</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Grades K-12: Individual winner of a district level academic competition*</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Grades K-7: ≥90th percentile on a standardized motivational characteristics rating scale</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Grades 8-12: Cumulative average ≥90 on an scale of 1-100 over the last two years in core academic areas</p>

* An individual, first-place winner of the following district, state, or national academic competitions (participation in each of the below events is dependent on the student's grade

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media Festival • Science Fair • Social Science Fair • Geography Bee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Georgia Authors Writing Competition • Selected to attend Governor's Honors Program (GHP) • Material accepted by an editor or executive of a national publication or corporation • Contact the TAG Department to determine if a product or performance not listed here can be used to determine eligibility. Please note that a PTA Reflections Competition (or its PTO equivalent) cannot be used, nor can Academic Bowl wins. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spelling Bee • Technology Fair • Future Problem Solving (FPS) • Odyssey of the Mind (OM) • Model United Nations (UN) • Outstanding Delegate |
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level) would qualify: