

# **UPDATED OPEN DISCLOSURE**

## **Cognitive Ability Testing Testing for 2024-2025**

This fall, ALL 5th grade students will be assessed using a cognitive abilities test. These tests measure a student's overall performance across a broad range of mental capabilities. Additionally, the tests assess students' reasoning and problem-solving abilities, helping classroom teachers recognize their strengths as learners and identify ways to develop their critical thinking skills. The data is used to assess student needs equitably across the local population. The information is used in collaboration with the District PACE program (Program for Academic Challenge and Enrichment). Any current placement levels will be re-evaluated upon the return of student scores.

Parents of the students eligible for TIER III services will receive a letter identifying them for this level of service. **If you do not receive a letter by October 4, 2024, your student is not eligible for TIER III services** and will continue to receive support through our school-wide enrichment model in collaboration with their classroom teachers. If you would like to receive a copy of printed scores please contact your school's PACE Specialist after October 4, 2024.

**Your school's testing weeks are August, 26th-Sept. 6th 2024 Students may be evaluated any time during this time frame.**

**If you would prefer your child not be evaluated, please inform your child's teacher in writing prior to the test date.**

**If you have additional questions, please contact, Gina Mason at [gmason@pcschools.us](mailto:gmason@pcschools.us) or 645-5600 ext 3083.**