



Gifted & Talented

Our Vision and Mission - [Advanced Academic & Gifted Services \(AAGS\)](#)

Process for GT Recommendation - [Identification & Assessment](#)

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➤ When is GT testing in my school?

Universal Screening: In Adams 12 Five Star Schools, 2nd and 6th graders who are not already identified GT participate in the Universal Screening process for potential gifted and talented identification. Find more [detailed information regarding Universal Screening](#) in the Five Star District.

Important dates for the Universal Screening process at our school:

- *6th Grade Screener: February 26, 2025*
- *All Grades Screener: March 24, 2025*
 - [Parents and Teachers can recommend students for testing by filling out this form.](#)
The last day you can submit the form is February 24, 2025

Parent/Staff/Student GT Recommendation: All students can participate in the GT identification process by submitting a complete body of evidence. Find more [detailed information regarding the GT recommendation process](#) in the Five Star District.

➤ Gifted & Talented Program Offerings

Advanced Curriculum & Extended Learning: “The Vehicle”

Provides the depth and complexity needed to ensure meaningful academic growth

Our school offerings include: Honors Math and Language Arts Classes

Differentiated Learning Pathways: “The Roadmap”

Provides an education at the appropriate level of readiness and challenge

Our school offerings include: Teachers focused on the Colorado Academic Essential Learnings and helping our GT students push themselves in all classes. We know that our GT students are GT all day long! Choice projects based on ALP goals, clubs such as MathCounts, Spelling Bee, Creative Writing, Legos, WEB

Individualized Opportunities & Enrichment: “The Customized Options”

Actively engages and motivates through interests and meaningful learning opportunities

Our school offerings include: Field Trips and in building enrichment opportunities

Denver Symphony Nightmare Before Christmas - 8th grade GT

Boulder Planetarium – Interested GT students

STEM Day at the Rockies - Interested GT students

Lighthouse Writers Workshop

The CELL Counter Terrorism Experience

Cherry Arts Exhibit - chance to be a docent

Denver Museum of Nature and Science

Wings Over the Rockies

Other opportunities thanks to the SCFD Collaborative Grant awarded to Westlake!

Social-Emotional Learning: “The Destination”

Focuses on developing the whole child by balancing empowerment and accountability

Our school offerings include: Student identified affective goals supported by our Westlake Mental Health Team and the GT student individual mentors. We encourage families to help with our GT goals too.