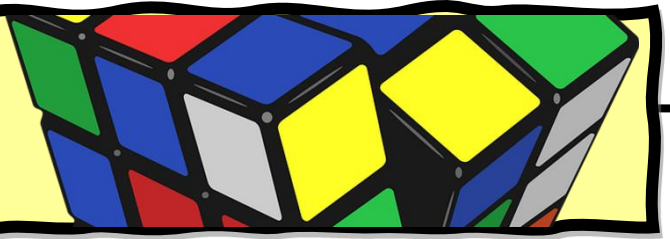


Gifted Services at Bell Fork Elementary



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I have been an AIG Specialist in Onslow County Schools since 2009 and teaching gifted elementary students since 2003. I am a graduate of ECU and hold a NC Teaching License to teach both Elementary K-6 and Academically and Intellectually Gifted K-12. My time is split between Summersill and Bell Fork Elementary Schools.

I was born and raised in Pamlico County, NC. My husband is a native of Jacksonville, NC, and we have been married for 20 years. Our daughter attends ECU, and our son is a high school senior at SWHS!

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Services Offered at Bell Fork

Academically and/or intellectually gifted students are a diverse group. Their unique abilities and needs require differentiation of regular classroom instruction and other service options designed to provide a comprehensive, advanced, and challenging course of study. Our goal in OCS is to best match the individual student's academic and social/emotional needs with the best program service options.

- **Planning with classroom teachers** to help them differentiate instruction for advanced individuals and/or groups of students. This can also include observing students and providing advice and feedback on how to best meet their needs.
- **Pull-out services** are available in most grade levels for groups of gifted and advanced students for advanced reading, math, STEM projects, and other talent development lessons and activities.
- **Consultative services** are available for students who need more individualized or private support in advanced academics and/or social emotional support.
- **Inclusion/Co-teaching lessons** can be planned with classroom teachers to enrich and extend a grade-level topic.

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I'm here to help!

My role as an AIG Specialist is to help students, parents, and educators navigate all aspects of giftedness. My goal is to be an advocate for gifted learners and help teachers understand and grow their unique talents as well as support them through their unique challenges. Please reach out to me if you need guidance, ideas, and/or support in working with your gifted and advanced learners! Send me a Teams Chat or email me at Heather.smith@onslow.k12.nc.us.



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