

## GATE Qualification Process for 2025-2026 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

GATE Qualification	
Question	Answer
<b>1. How were students in FUSD qualified for the GATE programs for the 2025-2026 school year?</b>	Qualification criteria consisted of multiple measures that included scores on reasoning abilities assessments and academic performance.
<b>2. What data was used to qualify students for GATE services?</b>	CogAT scores along with academic measures including but not limited to state assessments (SBAC), iReady Diagnostic, and other academic measures were reviewed holistically.
<b>3. How will families know if their child has qualified?</b>	Families will receive a letter from the GATE office communicating that they are eligible for GATE services.
<b>4. What if I don't get a letter?</b>	Only students who were qualified as GATE will receive a letter from the GATE office.
<b>5. What do GATE services look like in FUSD?</b>	All students identified as eligible for GATE services will receive appropriate differentiated instructional services in their current schools. Students may be randomly selected to participate in a GATE program through an admissions lottery to attend Manchester Gate Elementary, or the gifted program at Yokomi Elementary.
<b>6. If my child is qualified for GATE, are they enrolled in a GATE program automatically?</b>	No, due to limited seating students are selected through a lottery system.
<b>7. How are children selected into a GATE Program?</b>	Students may be selected through a randomized admissions lottery to attend Manchester Gate Elementary, or the gifted program at Yokomi Elementary.
<b>8. How will parents be notified they have secured a placement at one of the GATE programs?</b>	The Transfers Department/ GATE Office will send out notification to the families of students who have secured a placement in a GATE program.
<b>9. What if my child does not get a placement in a GATE program?</b>	All students identified as eligible for GATE services, <b>but not selected</b> to attend Manchester Gate, or the gifted program at Yokomi, will be put on a wait list. Students will receive appropriate differentiated instruction in their current schools.
<b>10. If my child is not enrolled in a GATE program, will they have to test again?</b>	No, once a student is designated as GATE, they will retain their GATE status until the end of their educational career in Fresno Unified.
<b>11. If my child receives SPED services, will they be provided at the GATE programs?</b>	There are different levels of services provided at the GATE programs. SPED department will work with families individually to provide accurate information.

*For all questions regarding GATE qualification please contact the GATE office at 457-6073.*

*For all questions regarding enrollment for GATE programs please contact the Transfers Department at 248-7538*

*For all questions regarding SPED services and GATE please contact Julie Wheelock in the SPED Department at 457-3220*

*You are also invited to visit our Web page at <https://curr.fresnounified.org/gate> for suggested resources to help you support your advanced student.*