



HIGH ABILITY PLACEMENT DECISION MATRIX

A GUIDE TO IDENTIFICATION & PLACEMENT



GRADE LEVEL STAGE	ASSESSMENTS	CRITERIA	PLACEMENT OUTCOME
INITIAL Spring/Summer prior to K  Per parent request and district parent survey results	KBIT-II  Students are administered KBIT-II	- Per parent request and district parent survey results - Students are administered KBIT II - Students scoring within the 90th percentile or above on either the verbal (ELA), nonverbal (Math), or composite score (General Intellectual) are identified in the area they scored within range.	IDENTIFIED IN AREA OF STRENGTH  ELA (Verbal)  Math (Nonverbal)  General Intellectual (Both Subjects)
1ST & 3RD GRADE (Placement Identification) 	IXL DIAGNOSTIC    i-Ready Math	- Students take assessments three times a year. - Placement in the Magnet courses are determined by a score within the 95th percentile or above on either CogAT or assessment data. - Placement in the Cluster groupings are determined by a score within the 90th–94th percentile on either the CogAT or assessment data. - Teacher recommendation with the Teacher Identification Teacher Recommendation rating scale is taken into consideration. - Placement is either in ELA only, Math only, or General Intellectual (both subjects).	PLACEMENT OPTIONS  ELA Only  Math Only  General Intellectual (Both Subjects)
2ND & 4TH GRADE (Placement Identification) 	- CogAT  - IXL DIAGNOSTIC  - i-Ready Math 	- All students take CogAT in 2nd grade. - Students take IXL Diagnostic or i-Ready Math three times a year. - Placement in the Magnet courses are determined by a score within the 95th percentile or above either CogAT or assessment data. - Placement in the Cluster groupings are determined by a score within the 90th–94th percentile on either the CogAT or assessment data. - Teacher recommendation and/or use of SIGS rating scale is taken into consideration. - Placement is either in ELA only, Math only, or General Intellectual (both subjects).	PLACEMENT OPTIONS  ELA Only  Math Only  General Intellectual (Both Subjects)
INTERMEDIATE 5TH–6TH / JUNIOR HIGH 7TH–8TH (Placement) 	- CogAT (Grade 4)  - CogAT (Grade 6)  - ILEARN CHECKPOINTS 	- All students take CogAT in 4th grade. - All students take CogAT in 6th grade. - Students take ILEARN CHECKPOINTS three times a year. - Placement in the Excel Magnet courses are determined by a score within the 95th percentile or above either CogAT or ILEARN CHECKPOINTS. - Placement in the Challenge groupings are determined by a score within the 88th–94th percentile on either the CogAT or ILEARN CHECKPOINTS. - Teacher recommendation and/or use of SIGS rating scale is taken into consideration. - Placement is either in ELA only, Math only, or General Intellectual (both subjects).	PLACEMENT OPTIONS  ELA Only  Math Only  General Intellectual (Both Subjects)
HIGH SCHOOL (Placement) 	 No universal assessment requirement	- Courses are self-selected by students - Teacher recommendation, class grades, and other data are taken into consideration.	COURSE PLACEMENT  Advanced courses selected by students based on interest, readiness, and recommendations.



NOTE: Placement is flexible and reviewed periodically. Students may move in or out of programs based on growth, and ongoing teacher recommendation.