Gifted and Talented

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tavelli Elementary School

At Tavelli Elementary, our gifted and talented students thrive. Our program offers opportunities for differentiated instruction that fosters critical thinking skills. Tavelli teachers utilize a STEAM focus where students learn about Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics through interdisciplinary units of study. Classroom teachers, instructional paraprofessionals and the GT coordinator work together to meet the needs of GT students through differentiation in the regular classroom, advanced classes and enrichment opportunities.

https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/tavelligt

30+
Average GT students

510+
Total student enrollment

Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

Programming opportunities vary from year to year and are specific to the student interests and Advanced Learning Plan goals. Students receive accelerated curricular options as part of the IE enrichment classes in reading and math.

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Site-Based Gifted and Talented Services Overview

Overview of the GT program at this school

Tavelli's GT Program:

- Tavelli's Gifted and Talented program emphasizes the importance of addressing the academic and social/emotional needs of all students through various enrichment experiences both in and out of the classroom.
- Provides advanced learning experiences with appropriately higher learning standards.
- Provides social and emotional guidance.
- Acknowledges strengths and interests, helping the student build on them through an interdisciplinary approach.

Advanced Learning Plan process at this school

The ALP is written collaboratively between the GT teacher and the student. This ALP is then sent home for further conversation and updates with parents. Each identified student will have a goal that addresses both their area of identification and social/emotional (affective) needs. When appropriate, goals can be combined to better serve the student.

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Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school

Opportunities vary from year to year but included activities such as:

- Regularly scheduled small group GT meetings
- Daily enrichment classes for reading
- Daily enrichment classes for math
- Math Olympiad
- Field Trips
- 3D printing lab
- Maker's Space
- Spelling Bee
- Music class
- Art studio
- Computer Lab
- Physical Education

Enrichment opportunities for GT students before or after school

Opportunities vary from year to year but included activities such as:

- Chess Wizards
- Dream Team
- Battle of the Books
- Running Club
- Sports Teams
- Spanish: Uno, Dos, Tres
- Acting Lab
- Science Matters
- LEGO Club
- Young Rembrabdts
- Little Kids Rock guitar club
- Science Fair
- CREST Robotics
- Yoga
- Mad Science
- Art Class
- Arts & Crafts
- Blooming Girls
- Play-Well Lego Robotics
- Science Matters STEM Clubs

Affective programming for GT students

The Gifted and Talented Program at Tavelli Elementary School recognizes the GT student's affective characteristics and provides individual support through the school counselor, school psychologist, the GT teacher, and grade level teachers. The GT Program provides opportunities for students to discuss struggles and achievements in a safe environment with a trusted adult and/or other GT students with similar needs.

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Grade-specific GT services

Students in grades three through five receive support in pull-out enrichment groups.
Students in kindergarten through fifth grade also receive support through in-class differentiation.

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