

Thank you for your interest in applying for the Challenge School. Cherry Creek School District has established a process for screening and identifying “highly gifted” children who demonstrate a need for the programming offered at the Challenge School.

Challenge School Admission Process Steps:

1. Application Submission and Review
 - a. The completion of a norm-referenced observation scale. Upon submission of an application a digital link to this observation scale will be emailed to families. An observation scale must be completed for an application to be considered complete.
 - b. Academic Record and/or Assessment Data Submission and Review
 - i. For students not attending CCSD
 - ii. For students with outside assessment data
 - c. Applications and any academic records or assessment data **can be emailed to** GT@cherrycreekschools.org or hand-delivered to the Office of Gifted and Talented Services located at the Student Achievement Resource Center (14188 E Briarwood Ave. Centennial, CO 80112)
2. Assessment: After a thorough review of all student records, administration of additional cognitive and/or academic assessments might be conducted to compile a robust Body of Evidence to determine student need for programming designed for highly gifted learners.
 - a. After review of the Body of Evidence, parents will be notified, and students will be scheduled if needed, on a rolling basis for cognitive and/or academic assessments.
 - b. Not all students will require additional assessment. The need for additional assessment will be determined on a student by student basis and is dependent on the existing individual body of data for any given child.
3. Determination: Upon the gathering and compilation of a robust Body of Evidence including the information contained in the application submission, personnel from Gifted and Talented Services will share it with the Challenge School Review Team. The administrators and Review Team personnel at Challenge School will review the information gathered about each student and make decisions about whether each child’s Body of Evidence meets the requirements for potential admittance into the Challenge School.
4. Once all applicants meeting the requirements for admittance have been determined, a holistic approach is employed to determine the final applicants being selected for the upcoming school year’s openings.

5. The process of sending determination letters via US mail will begin mid-March to the address on your application. If you do not receive a letter by the end of March, please contact Gifted and Talented Services at 720-886-7050 or GT@cherrycreekschools.org.

Applications must be submitted by **3:00 p.m. on the first Friday of December**. Only complete applications will be reviewed. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Completed applications can be emailed to GT@cherrycreekschools.org or hand-delivered to the Office of Gifted and Talented Services located at the Student Achievement Resource Center (14188 E Briarwood Ave. Centennial, CO 80112).**

Complete applications must include the completed application form, digital receipt of the norm-referenced observation scale and any supporting academic records or assessment documentation, if applicable.

It is highly recommended that applications be submitted as soon as possible and without delay.

For students not current enrolled in a CCSD district school, proof of residence within CCSD district boundaries will be required. Proof of Residency accepted documentation is listed on the CCSD/Gifted and Talented Services website.

FAMILY CONTACT INFORMATION

Childs Name:

Date of Birth:

Age:

Street Address:

Telephone:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ X

Grade for the Upcoming Application School Year:

Is applicant a Cherry Creek School District resident? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Applicants must reside in the Cherry Creek School District to apply for the Challenge School

Have you previously applied for Challenge School Admission? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, for what school year?

Name & grade of sibling(s) who attend Challenge School (if applicable):

Name and grade of sibling(s) applying to Challenge School this year:

Name of neighborhood/attendance area school:

Parent/Guardian 1 Name:

Home phone:

Cell phone:

Address:

Contact email address:

Parent/Guardian 2 Name:

Home phone:

Cell phone:

Address:

Contact email address:

☐ I understand that I must currently reside in Cherry Creek School district to apply for the Challenge School.

Optional information: ☐ Asian ☐ Black ☐ White ☐ Hispanic/Latino ☐ American Indian

☐ 2+ Races ☐ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Is English the student's first language? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Language spoken in the home other than English:

Does your family require support from an interpreter in the parent's native language? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Language:

Does your child have/had any of the following student plans? ☐ IEP ☐ 504 ☐ READ ☐ ALP

If so, please upload a copy of the most current plan(s). This information is used to inform the evaluation process.