Advanced Academics in Northwest ISD

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Northwest ISD ADVANCED ACADEMICS

What I do . . .

- GT
- Math Acceleration
- AP
- PSAT/SAT
- Destination Imagination
- UIL - Academics
- Summer Enrichment
- Baylor TIP
- National Math Stars

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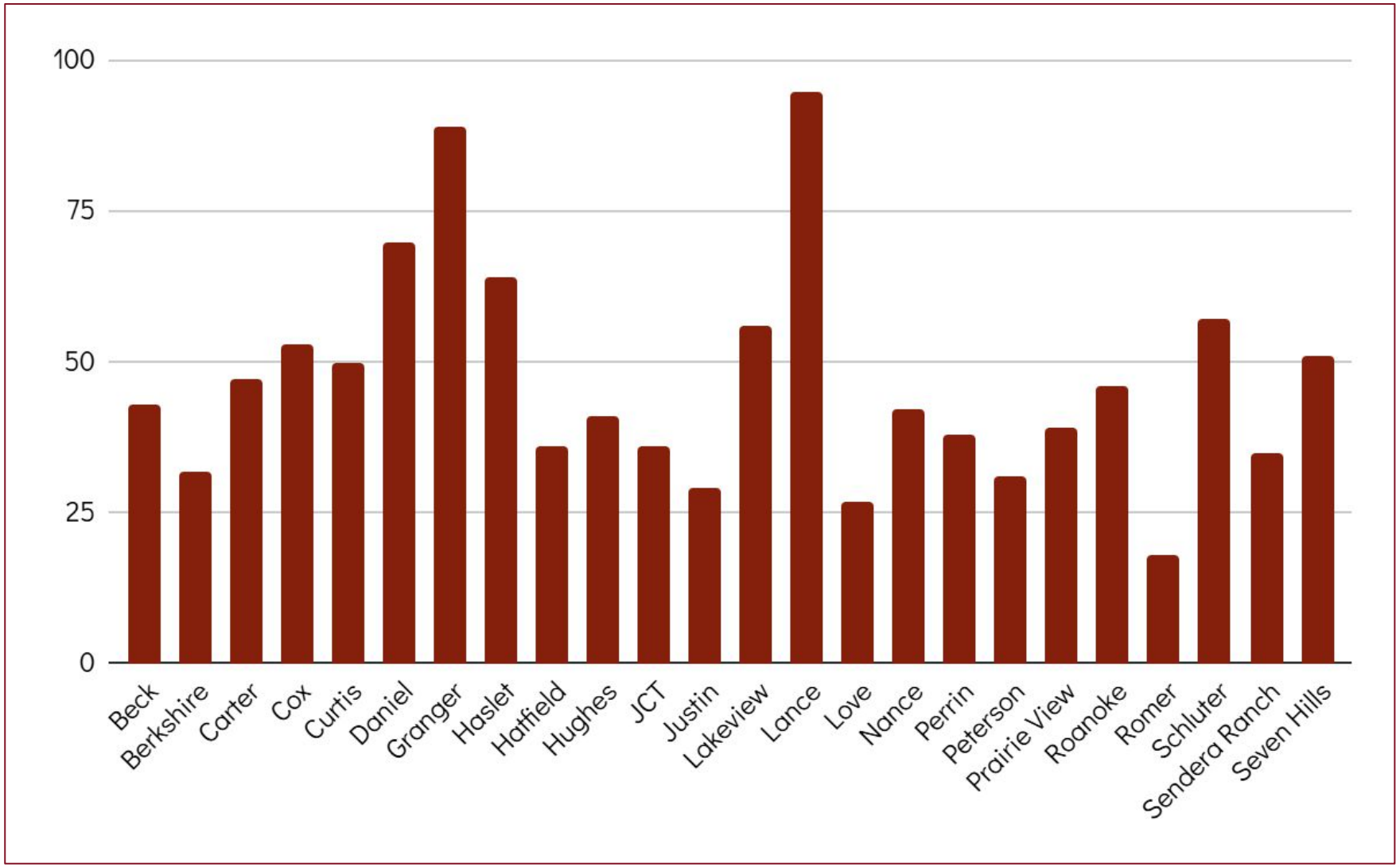
Gifted Services

Elementary Services - GATES

	Kinder	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
	Push In	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out	Pull Out
District Expectations	30 min/class	60	60	90	120	120

GATES teachers also provide enrichment opportunities for students and collaborate with classroom teachers when it comes to planning for gifted learners. They also test students who are referred and meet with parents to discuss the results.
1 GATES teacher serves two campuses.

GT Numbers in Elementary

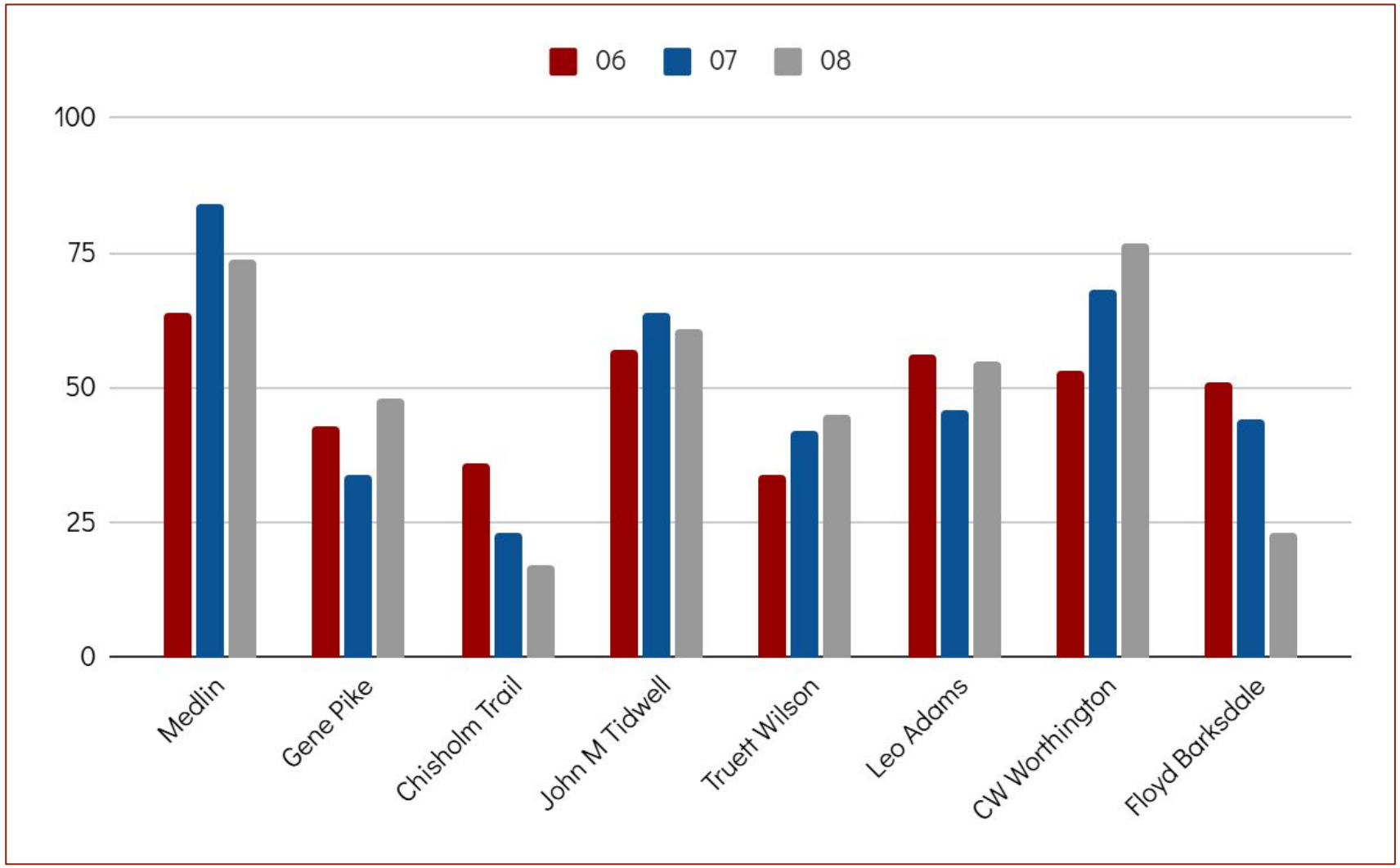


Middle School Services

	ELA	Math*	Science	Social Studies
6th Grade	GT	GT Compacted Advanced Math	Honors	Honors
7th Grade	GT	GT PreAlgebra	Honors	Honors
8th Grade	GT	GT Algebra 1	Honors	Honors

*Accelerated students will be in GT Geometry as 8th graders.

GT Numbers in Middle School



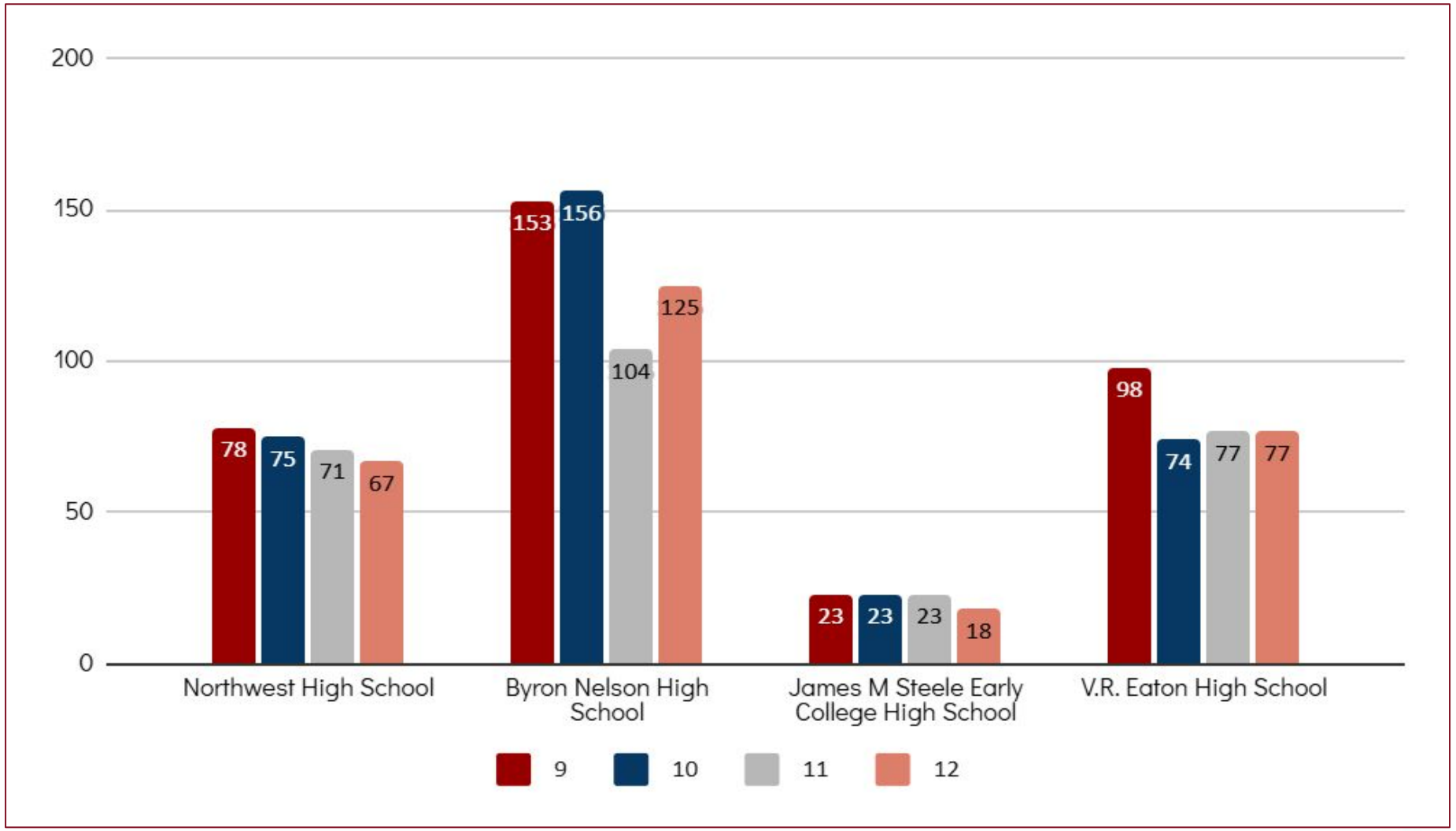
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High School Services

	ELA	Math	Science	Social Studies
9th Grade	GT English 1	GT Honors Geometry or Alg 2	Honors	GT AP Human Geo
10th Grade	GT English 2	GT Honors Alg 2 or AP PreCal	Honors or AP	GT AP World History
11th Grade	GT AP Lang	AP PreCal or AP Cal	AP	GT AP US History
12th Grade	GT AP Lit	AP Cal or AP Stats Multi-variable Calculus	AP	GT AP Gov't GT AP Eco

GT Numbers in High School



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Identification

Referral Window	Testing Window
Secondary	
September 21, 2026 - October 29, 2026 January 19, 2027 - March 24, 2027	November 9 - 13, 2026 April 2027
Elementary	
January 19, 2027 - March 24, 2027	April 2027

- All Kindergarteners are considered referrals and are screened for services in late Spring.
- NISD does universal screening for all 2nd graders in October..

	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Beck	1	3	1	2
Berkshire				2
Carter		2		2
Cox		2	3	4
Curtis				
Daniel	1		4	3
Granger	1	2	1	6
Haslet		2	3	3
Hatfield	1			
Hughes		1	1	1
JCT		1	1	1
Justin		1	1	1
Lakeview	2	2	2	7
Lance	1		2	4
Love		1		2
Nance		1		1
Perrin	1	1		2
Peterson	1		1	0
Prairie View				
Roanoke			1	4
Romer			1	1
Schluter		3	2	2
Sendera Ranch				2
Seven Hills				1
Grand Total	9	22	23	51

Accelerated Math

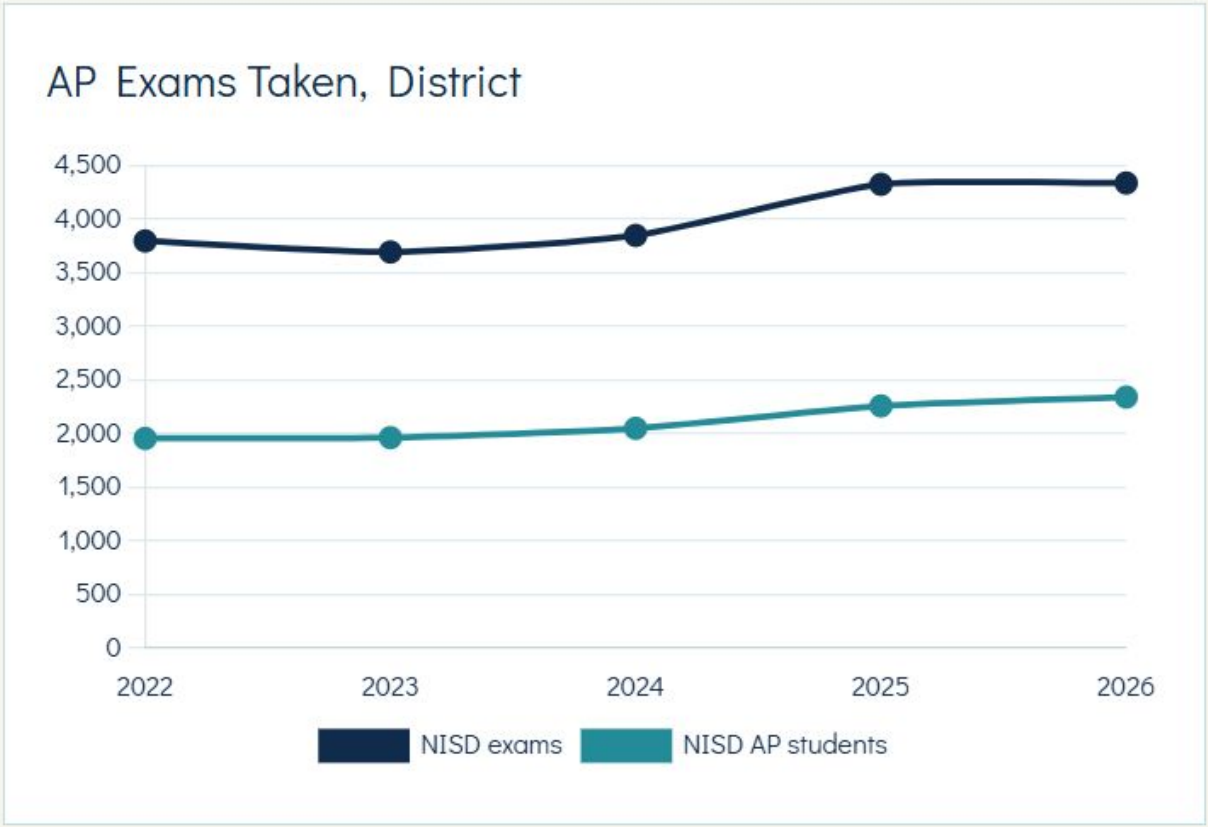
Students take a CBE during the summer to determine if they have mastered the math TEKS for the upcoming school year. If they have, then acceleration to the next grade level of math can be provided.

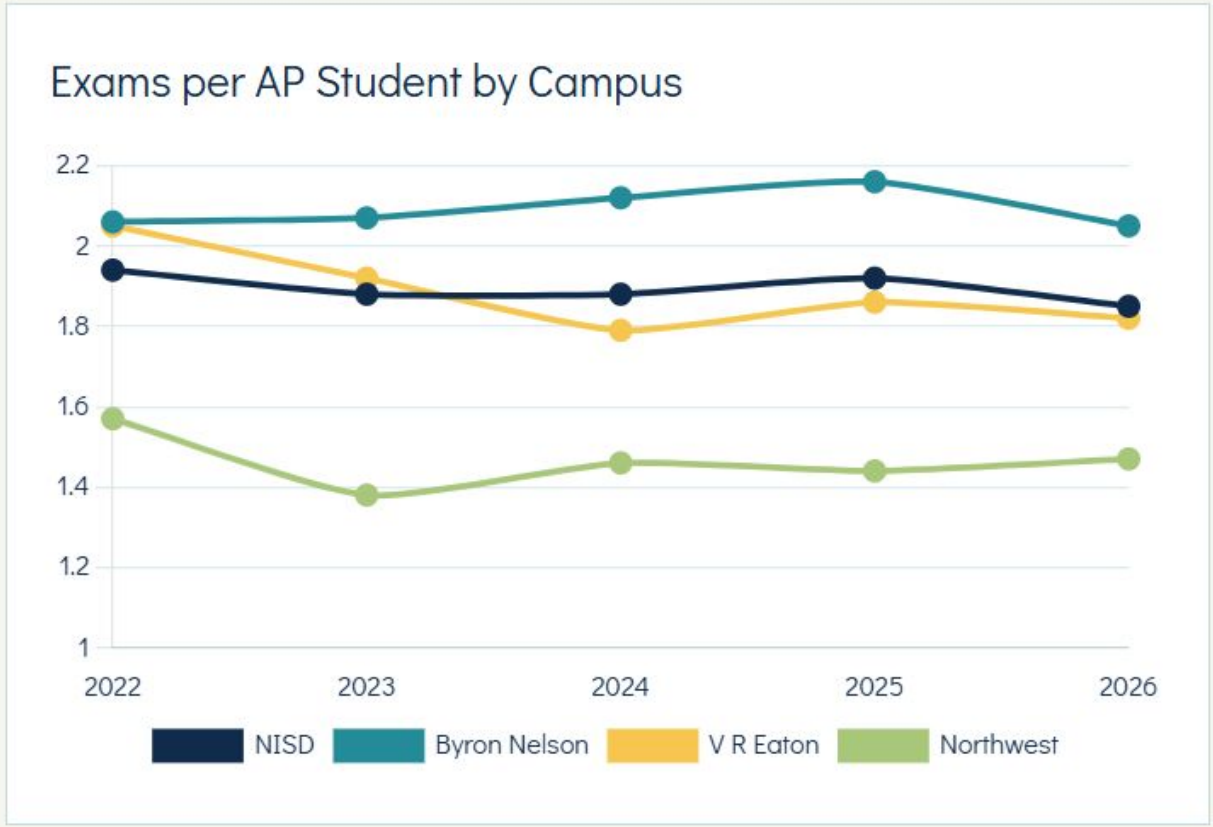
Learn more about math acceleration in elementary here.

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Advanced Placement (AP)





Additional AP participation and performance data can be found on the CTE/CCMR slide deck.

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AP Celebrations

82.5% AP students scoring 3+, 2026 +11.6 pts since 2022	+21.3 pts NISD vs Texas, 2025 80.5% vs 59.2%	+9.5 pts NISD vs United States, 2025 80.5% vs 71.0%	16% Growth in AP students, 2022 to 2025 Texas 27%, US 20%

Check out more of our success stories here.

Teacher Support

- 25 AP teachers attended an APSI in Summer 2026.
  - AP Summer Institutes offer the most thorough professional learning available for AP educators. Attendees engage in 30 hours of content-rich training designed to strengthen how they teach their AP courses.
- Digital platform from College Board for all teachers with progress checks, a question bank, and other resources.

AP Super Saturdays 2026		
Subject	Attended	Attended: % 3+
Human Geography	175	87.40%
World History	92	82.60%
English Language	90	85.60%
Environmental Science	60	88.30%
Biology	54	83.30%
Calculus BC	45	64.40%
US History	36	91.70%
English Literature	35	85.70%
Calculus AB	34	55.90%
Chemistry	30	96.70%
Precalculus	26	96.20%

Student Support

Overall, students who attend a Super Saturday tend to score a 3 or higher over students who do not attend.

AP Super Saturday is a 3-hour review session for AP exams led by an AP Reader.

Campuses also offer mock exams so students can experience an AP exam before the actual test in May.

677 students attended an AP Super Saturday.

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National Merit & National Recognitions

College Board National Recognition Awards

Awarded Fall 2025			
NHS	Rural/Small Town Recognition	1	97 awards 81 individual students
	First Generation	22	
	School Recognition Award	76	
BNHS	Rural/Small Town Recognition	100	227 awards 139 individual students
	First Generation	17	
	School Recognition Award	111	
EHS	Rural/Small Town Recognition	58	173 awards 92 individual students
	First Generation	32	
	School Recognition Award	85	
Steele	Rural/Small Town Recognition	0	19 awards 17 individual students
	First Generation	6	
	School Recognition Award	13	
District	Rural/Small Town Recognition	159	521 awards 329 individual students
	First Generation	77	
	School Recognition Award	285	

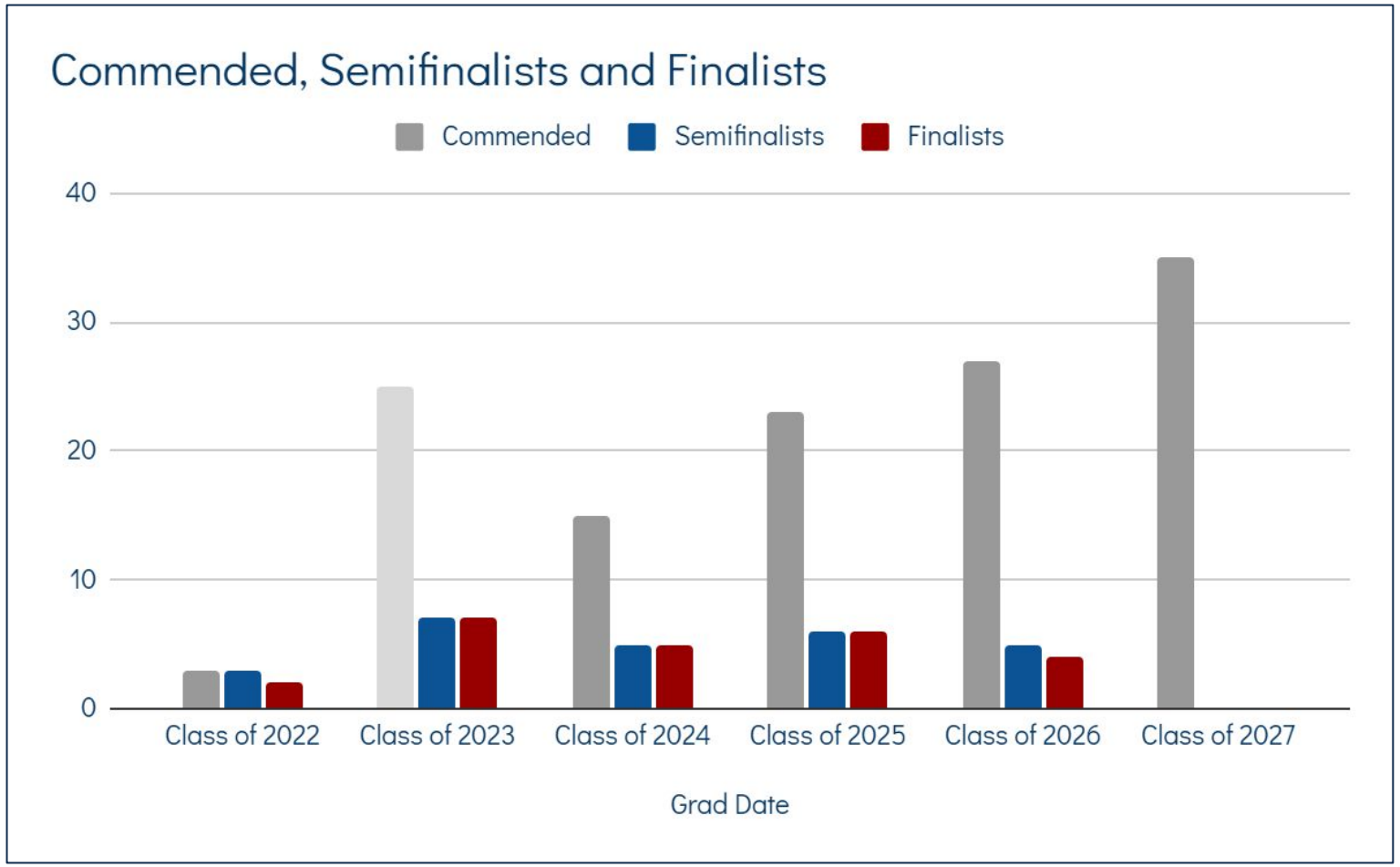
Sophomores and juniors are score eligible if they score in the top 10% on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10 within program by state in the eligible exam periods. Sophomores and juniors are also score eligible if they score a 3 or higher on two or more distinct AP Exams in the eligible exam periods.

Fall 2026: Not announced yet

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National Merit



- Learn more about the National Merit Scholarship Program here.
- Students qualify for National Merit when they take the PSAT/NMSQT in October of their Junior year.
- Finalists are announced January of Senior year.

Extracurriculars

Advanced Academics Ambassadors



An Advanced Academics Ambassador is a student who is "the face" of Advanced Academics in NISD. They champion AP, OnRamps, dual credit, and honors courses and strive to gain an academic competitive advantage through this leadership experience.

Where you might see an ambassador . . .

- College & Career Fair
- High School Showcases
- Middle School Webinar
- Webinars

68 Juniors and Seniors across the three comprehensive high schools.

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Destination Imagination 2025-26

GFW DI Regional Tournament	
Early Learning (K-2)	17
Elementary (3-5)	46
Middle (6-8)	16
Secondary (9-12)	10
Grand Total	89

As of November 1, 2026, NISD has 93 teams signed up.

To learn more about Destination Imagination, visit https://www.destinationimagination.org/.

Team Name	Campus	Challenge	GFW Results	State Results	Going to Globals
The Wabbits	Medlin	Above & Beyond (Engineering)	1st High IC	3rd High IC	yes
RCBC	EHS	Becoming Super (Fine Arts)	2nd High IC	6th	yes
RCBC	EHS	Give & Take (Service Learning)	2nd High IC	7th	yes
Teenage Mutant Ninja Bacon	Medlin	Win It Big (Technical)	2nd	5th	yes
Wait . . . What!?!?!?	BNHS	Win It Big (Technical)	1st High IC	5th	yes

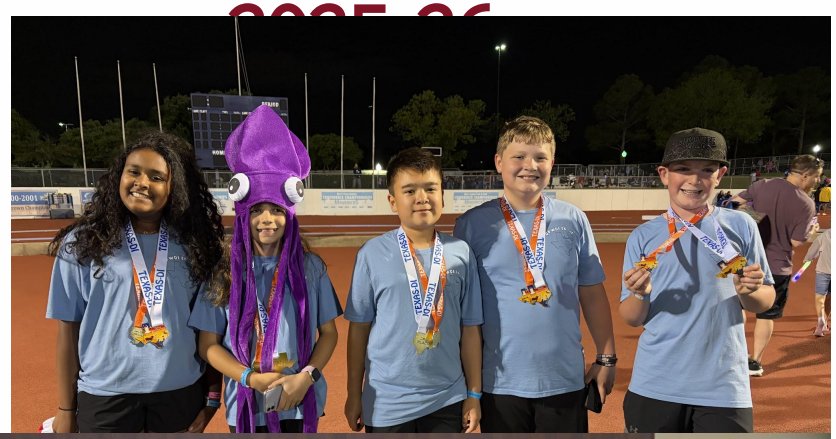
13 teams advanced to Lone Star Finals

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Destination Imagination

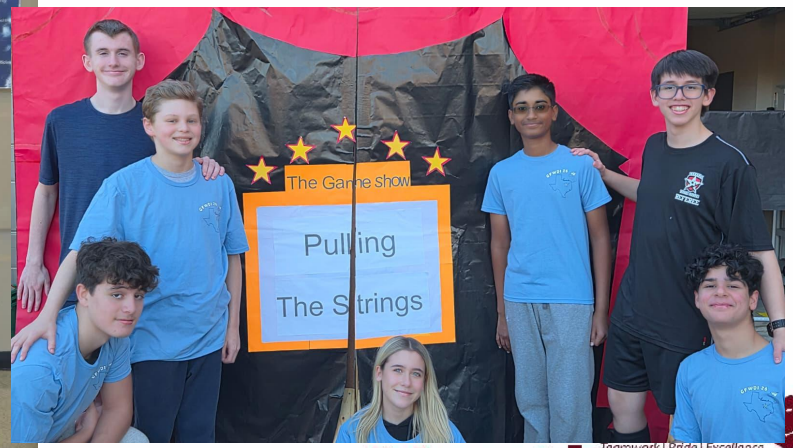












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UIL Academics

NISD has UIL at all levels.

UIL Tournaments are in the spring. Teachers sign up to coach a specific event and then work with students before or after school to prepare them for the tournament.

Each high school has multiple teams and events. Teams will compete within their UIL district with the opportunity to advance to Regionals and then State.

Elementary	**Middle School**	**High School**
March 30 - BNHS Feeder Pattern March 31 - NHS Feeder Pattern April 1 - EHS Feeder Pattern	April 3	April 2 - Steele April 3 - NHS, BNHS, EHS

Summer Opportunities

	# of Students
Camp Invention	732
Camp Pursuit	57
DI Camp	51
Young Scholars	66
TOTAL	863

- Camp Invention (K-5th Grade)
  - Lakeview
  - Schluter
  - Haslet
  - Lance
  - Carter – NEW FOR 2026!
- Creative Problem-Solving Camp (2nd – 8th)
- Camp Pursuit
- Young Scholars & Innovators Academy (invited 6th, 7th & 8th Graders)

New Partnerships

Baylor University

MOODY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Talent Identification Program – Partner School

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National Math Stars

NMS helps to build a pathway for every exceptional young math student to be identified, celebrated, and supported. Through their three programs — Math Awards, Pathfinder Stars, and Voyager Stars — extraordinary students from all communities have the resources they need to reach the frontiers of math and science. Students in 2nd and 3rd grade are invited to apply.

In our three year partnership, 45 students were identified as finalists. Twenty of those students went on to be named as National Math Stars.

Baylor TIP

Mission:

- Identify exceptional talent in STEM and the humanities and provide world-class learning opportunities commensurate with students' exceptional potential.
- Provide transformative learning opportunities to pre-collegiate students.
- Identify and recruit diverse students with the ability, interest, and motivation to achieve at exceptional levels.
- Prepare pre-collegiate students for exceptional achievement by integrating academic excellence and mentorship in a caring environment.

2025-26			
113 Students tested	108 Earned recognition 96% of students tested	20 Gold Scholar recognitions which is the highest level of accomplishment	All middle schools represented

As of November 1, 245 middle school students are registered to take the test this Fall.