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EDUCATION PROGRAM

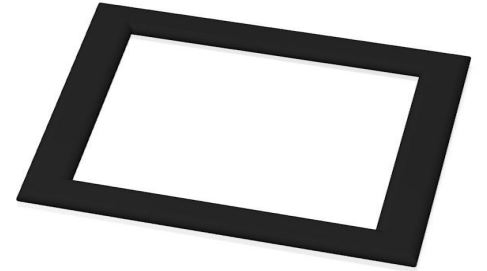


**Howard
County**
Public School System



Agenda

- Overview of the Middle School G/T Education Program
- Placement Process

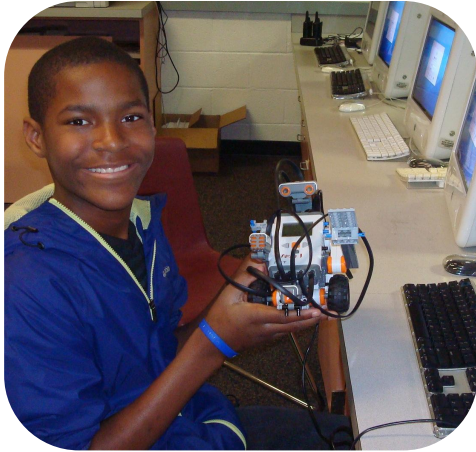


Program Components

- Talent Development Offerings
- G/T Classes and Curricular Extensions
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Talent Development Offerings: G/T Instructional Seminars



Instruction in
Advanced-Level
Skills



Open to All
Interested
Students



Creative
Production or
Inquiry

G/T Instructional Seminars At CMS

COMET TV

COMET Newsletter

Writers Workshop

Minecraft Education

Beginning, Advanced Debate

Film Institute

Animal/Environmental Sciences

Book Club

Middle School G/T Classes



G/T
Math



G/T
English



G/T
Science



G/T
Social
Studies



G/T Mathematics

Provides an accelerated and enriched sequence that follows a curriculum of concepts at least two years above the general education curriculum.

- 6 - Pre-Algebra G/T
- 7 – Algebra I G/T
- 8 - Geometry G/T



G/T English

Extends the Maryland College and Career Ready Standards for English Language Arts through

- an accelerated pace,
- reading and analyzing challenging and complex literature and literary nonfiction independently,
- writing a variety of interpretive,
- and analytical pieces, and conducting independent research.

Differentiated tasks and texts are included at all grade levels.



G/T Science

An enriched and accelerated curriculum where students explore cross-cutting concepts, as well as science and engineering practices.

6 - Earth Science G/T

7 - Life Science G/T

8 - Physical Science G/T



G/T Social Studies

Provides an enriched and accelerated curriculum, including differentiated objectives, where students explore civic and cultural principles and engage in inquiries that focus on essential, related questions.

- 6 – Geography and World Cultures G/T
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- 8 – United States History G/T



Who can initiate the placement process in middle school?



- Families
- Teachers
- Students

Placement Process for Middle School G/T Classes

5th Grade and Throughout Middle School

- ALL students reviewed for placement
- Multiple criteria examined (CogAT, MAP, MCAP, class performance)
- CogAT administered to all students in 3rd grade and all new HCPSS students in grades 4-8

Parental Input in Placement Process

If after reviewing the Placement Committee's professional recommendation, parents/guardians still wish to enroll their students in one or more G/T classes, they may complete the Course Placement Review request online through HCPSS Connect.

Middle School G/T Research Class

- Authentic research to address real-world problem
- For students enrolled in G/T Math and G/T English based upon G/T Placement Committee recommendations



Research

- Original
- Primary Research Methods
- Authentic Product
- Authentic Audience
- Contribution to the Community/Field



Opportunities for Parent Engagement

- HCPSS G/T Website:
www.hcpss.org/academics/gt
- G/T Parent Academies
- HCPSS News for G/T Program Information

