



ESSP/MSSP SERVICES 2023-2024

Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District

ELEMENTARY

Early Admission to Kindergarten or 1st Grade

- ❖ Parents may request early admission through the District Gifted Coordinator.
- ❖ Kindergarten: Child turns 5 between September 30 and January 1.
- ❖ 1st grade: Child turns 6 after January 1 and has not completed Kindergarten.

P.E.T.S. (Primary Education Thinking Skills)

- ❖ All Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade students in the District will receive enrichment in critical thinking skills through the P.E.T.S. program.
- ❖ A Gifted Intervention Specialist works with classroom teachers to provide this programming.

Cluster Grouping

- ❖ An educational process in which a group of gifted and/or high-achieving students are assigned to a diverse 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade classroom to be instructed by a teacher who has received specialized training for gifted learners.
- ❖ All classes have a range of students, but the range is smaller so the teacher can differentiate content specific to student needs. All students, gifted or not, benefit from this process.
- ❖ Teachers are co-teaching and collaborating with classroom teachers as part of enrichment.

Resource Room Pull-out

- ❖ Students in grades K-5 (all elementary buildings) will be serviced by a licensed gifted teacher in the areas of superior cognitive, reading, and/or math.
- ❖ Students receive services for a percentage of their instructional time in reading and/or math.

Self-Contained Classroom

- ❖ Students in grades 4-5 identified as gifted in superior cognitive, reading, math, social studies, science, and/or creative thinking may apply for the self-contained classrooms.
- ❖ Students are serviced full time by a licensed gifted teacher.

MIDDLE

M.S.S.P. (Middle School Scholars Program)

- ❖ Resource room program for students gifted in superior cognitive, math, reading, science, social studies, or creative thinking.
- ❖ Students choose from a variety of enrichment courses taught by a licensed gifted teacher for a percentage of their instructional week.

HIGH

High School Opportunities

- ❖ Advanced Placement classes taught by teachers who have received training in gifted education.
- ❖ Post secondary educational option (CCP).
- ❖ Credit flexibility.
- ❖ Online programs.

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