



# Gifted and Talented



POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Bennett Elementary, an IB World School



Bennett's Gifted and Talented program provides our students with the depth and complexity required to meet their unique educational needs. As an International Baccalaureate school, all Bennett students receive instruction from their primary teacher. This ensures their learning is constructed through a transdisciplinary lens that is connected, engaging, and challenging. To serve our advanced students' personal, social, and academic needs, we support them with in-class differentiation, social-emotional learning, and extracurricular opportunities.



**30**

Average GT students

**362**

Total student enrollment

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### Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

GT students' needs are differentiated for throughout the day with their primary teacher. In addition to in-class differentiation, students work on social-emotional learning during regular sessions with our counselor. Bennett also provides enrichment opportunities to our advanced students.



### Gifted and Talented site coordinator:

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### Overview of the GT program at this school



#### Bennett's GT Program:

- Provides complex, in-depth content in a small group setting
- Provides social and emotional skill-building and support
- Acknowledges students' strengths and interests and builds on them through an interdisciplinary approach
- Fosters the IB learner profile: as IB learners we strive to be inquirers, knowledgeable, thinkers, communicators, principled, open-minded, caring, risk-takers, balanced, and reflective..
- Supports the academic and social/emotional needs of all students through a variety of experiences in and out of the classroom.

### Advanced Learning Plan process at this school



Students, with the help of their classroom teacher and the GT coordinator, set achievement and affective goals. The GT coordinator, classroom teacher, and school counselor work together to provide students with resources and support as they work toward their goals. Students are regularly provided with opportunities to reflect on their progress.

### Programming opportunities for GT students



- Small group, in-depth learning
- Differentiated curriculum, instruction, and assessment
- Instructional strategies such as tiered assignments, open-ended projects, and focused grouping

### Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school



- Regularly scheduled small group GT meetings
- Mighty Math Minds
- Student Ambassadors
- Book Club Enrichment
- Spelling Bee
- WIN time

*\* These are offered depending on school scheduling.*

### Enrichment opportunities for GT students before or after school



- Odyssey of the Mind
- Bennett Running Club
- Art Class Offerings
- Choir
- Lego Club
- Chess Club
- Girl's in the Spotlight
- Future Hearts, Minds, and Dreamers

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### Affective programming for GT students



The Gifted and Talented Program at Bennett recognizes the GT student's unique affective characteristics. Their needs and growth are supported by our school counselor, the GT coordinator, and the classroom teacher.

Grade-specific GT services



5th-grade students have the opportunity to become Student Ambassadors. 4th and 5th-grade students participate in the Spelling Bee and Mighty Math Minds.