



Gifted and Talented



POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Boltz Middle School



Boltz Middle School's Gifted and Talented Program is designed to give students a safe place to explore their interests and aptitudes. Our purpose is to provide students with dedicated time to feel heard and seen, explore their passions, collaborate with like-minded peers, and access resources related to their strengths and needs. We aim to empower these identified students to embrace their uniqueness and utilize their potential to find success in their educational career and beyond.

<https://bol.psdschools.org/index.php/academics/gifted-talented>



57

Average GT students

660

Total student enrollment



Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

Boltz Gifted and Talented identified students have the opportunity to work with like minded peers on academics and social-emotional needs in our Gifted and Talented Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO). Additionally, all Boltz students have the opportunity to partake in accelerated math courses, with double accelerated students being able to complete middle school with two high school math courses finished.



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Overview of the GT program at this school



Boltz's GT Program:

- Provides advanced learning experiences with appropriately higher learning standards.
- Provides social and emotional guidance both in and out of the classroom.
- Acts as a guide for students to identify and build on strengths and interests.
- Guides the student in selecting enrichment, elective, and extra-curricular opportunities.
- Connects students with adults in the building and community.

Advanced Learning Plan process at this school



Boltz develops authentic Advanced Learning Plans (ALPs) for each GT student. ALP goals are designed to give students the chance to take advantage of provided opportunities for further academic and emotional growth.

Programming opportunities for GT students



- Accelerated math classes
- GT Extended Learning Opportunity
- Mentoring opportunities
- Challenge by choice opportunities
- STEM opportunities in Science and elective classes

Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school



For more information regarding some course descriptions, please visit our Academics Tab at Boltz Middle School's website at: bol.pdschools.org

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| • 6-8 GT ELO class | • Odyssey of the Mind | • Technology Student Association (TSA) |
| • Field Trips | • Maker's Space | • Choir Electives |
| • Science Olympiad | • WEB Leaders | • Band Electives |
| • Lego Robotics Enrichment | • World Language | • Boltz Buddies |
| • Quiz Bowl | • Musical Theater | |

** These are offered based on class scheduling.*

Enrichment opportunities for GT students before or after school



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| • Lego Robotics | • Virtual Reality Club |
| • Athletics | • National Junior Honor Society |
| • Spectrum Club | • Give Next |

Affective programming for GT students



The Gifted and Talented Coordinator, counselors, and teachers work with Gifted students on their affective ALP goals. All students participate in multiple Restorative Practices Circle Ups with their peers and GT identified students have the opportunity to explore social and emotional learning topics specific to their needs in the GT ELO class. We focus carefully on the health and wellness of all students.

Grade-specific GT services



All aspects of the Gifted and Talented Program at Boltz are open to all grade levels, 6-8. Students may participate in any of the opportunities listed above and the GT Site Coordinators would be happy to help students access any additional opportunities they desire. See the Boltz GT Website for more information.