



# Gifted and Talented



POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Irish Elementary Escuela Bilingüe



A primary focus of Irish Elementary is to prepare children to be lifelong students and productive members of a diverse society, staff and community. We want to involve them actively in a process that will allow them to communicate and cooperate effectively by learning from different cultures and languages. We provide children with various learning experiences designed to meet these goals. We believe that every child is unique, and teachers recognize and respect the needs of each individual. We will help each child to acquire and develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve academic excellence.



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Average GT students

297

Total student enrollment



### Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

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### Gifted and Talented site coordinator

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### Overview of the GT program at this school



Students select extended studies, community mentorships and classroom-embedded projects to provide challenge/interest at their academic level and make progress toward their advanced learning plan goal. Through new culturally and linguistically diverse identification protocols, we are in the process of identifying an expanded enrichment pool.

### Advanced Learning Plan process at this school



Through collaboration between the GT coordinator, classroom teachers, interventionists, Specials teachers and parents, students are referred as potential candidates for investigation of specific talents and strengths. When students qualify for GT services, an advanced learning plan is developed with input from all stakeholders. The GT coordinator checks progress toward ALP goals with the student once a month.

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### Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school



Enrichment opportunities include flexible grouping to provide extension of core content and independent projects during relevant content area time.

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



PSD After 3 – comprehensive federally funded after-school program that includes courses such as:

- Flor Antigüa – traditional Mexican dance group
- Mariachi music ensemble
- Running Club
- Yoga
- Drama Club

### Affective programming for GT students



All students receive instruction around empathy, emotional self-regulation, conflict resolution and problem solving. The emphasis is on the application of these skills in the context of both social and academic settings to build interpersonal and academic talent.