

THE TINTON FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As your child continues into the next school year in the Tinton Falls School District, our Gifted and Talented programming will continue to be offered in the 2022-23 school year. Our T.E.A.M. (Teaching, Enriching, Advancing, and Motivating) program, formerly called GATE, consists of In-Class Enrichment for all students in Kindergarten through Third Grade. Third, Fourth and Fifth Graders identified through the rubric below participate in a pull-out program two periods a week. In addition, opportunities for Enrichment for All Students will be offered through the following: Math Olympiads (grades 4th-5th), Passion Projects (grades 3rd-5th), W.I.N (What I Need Period, Grades K-5).

The following outlines the process for identification:

Step 1:

- Teachers and/or parents nominate eligible students in current Grades 2, 3, or 4. Parents who wish to nominate their child, please complete the Google Form [TEAM Parent Recommendation Form](#) by May 27, 2022.
- Step 2: Students will be assessed prior to the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- Results will be reviewed by staff using a rubric. Final identification is based on multiple measures. Criteria include:

IDENTIFICATION PROCESS	
MATH MEASURES	ELA MEASURES
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent/Guardian Recommendation (Spring 2022)• Teacher Rating Scale (Spring 2022)• IREADY Assessment K-5th Grade (Spring 2022)• Cognitive Abilities Assessment (June 2022)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent/Guardian Recommendation (Spring 2022)• Teacher Rating Scale (Spring 2022)• DIBELS/DRA K-2 (Spring 2022)• DRA 3rd-5th Grade (Spring 2022)• IREADY Assessment 2nd-5th Grade (Spring 2022)

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 732-460-2408.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Cole

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