

Brownwood Independent School District Gifted and Talented Program Report

November 2022

Gifted and Talented Students by Grade and Campus

Pull-Out Program	K	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	Grand Total
EAST	0	3	2	5	5	3		18
NORTHWEST	0	2	3	6	0	2		13
WOODLAND	0	3	4	8	6	14		35
COGGIN	0	1	1	0	4	6	25	37
Total Per Grade Level	0	9	10	19	15	25	25	Total K-6 103

Upper Grades	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	BAHS	Grand Total
BMS and BHS	32	27	29	26	13	14	0	141

Fall 2022

- **Student Services:** In order to create clusters of 3 students on each campus for each grade, a small group of students were selected to participate in "Challenge Lab" based on testing scores from the previous school year. These students are not coded as GT and will be tested to determine official qualification in the spring. At Coggin Elementary, for example, there are 5 students in 2nd grade participating, 4 students in 1st grade participating, and 5 students in 3rd grade participating.
- **Parent Night** was held October 18 with about 60 in attendance. The meeting consisted of a quick overview of the program. Then, families could view projects and activities that students have been working on as well as play a variety of games.
- **Back to school-GT** update meeting was held at secondary campuses and meetings with elementary teachers were during team meetings. Shared a website for teachers and options for obtaining 6-hour updates.
<https://sites.google.com/brownwoodisd.org/gifted-talented/home>
- **GT professional development records** for teachers updated and shared with principals.
- **Google Classrooms** created for all students 7-12 to upload evidence of learning twice a year as well as evidence of awards/honors/recognition.
- **BHS** continuing to issue cords to seniors who meet the criteria upon graduation.
- **Referral and testing meeting will be held in the spring.**
- **PLC: Kindergarten and 2nd grade screeners-** met with kinder and 2nd grade teachers on 10/28
- **Fall Testing-** fall testing began the first week in November for a small group of students who were referred by families or teachers.
- **Spring Testing**—all students referred K-12.
- **Updated Gifted and Talented Handbook** <https://tinyurl.com/2p7vku7k>

Initiatives for the Gifted and Talented Program

- Monitor the progress of students in the program, identify students with potential, provide differentiated instruction, and offer enriching learning opportunities.
- Screenings and testing at all campuses are managed by G/T teacher.
- G/T teacher administers assessments and collaborates with selection committees.
- Communicate with the secondary schools to ensure compliance with state guidelines.
- Assist teachers by providing resources, guidance, and professional development sessions.

K-6 Pull Out Services

The goal of the G/T program is to provide enriching opportunities.

- Integration of STEM/STEAM, project-based learning, and differentiated instruction that enriches the grade level TEKS in the four content areas.
- Implementation of TPSP which is the gifted and talented curriculum used for independent projects.
- Kindergarten students through sixth grade students are served through a pull-out program.
- First through six grade students receive services around the enrichment/WIN schedule as much as possible.
- Enrichment services provided for students who show potential and do not qualify.
- Kindergarten students receive thirty minutes of support once a week starting in March.

G/T Services 7th-12th Grade

The goal of the G/T program is to provide enriching opportunities for identified students. Teachers do this through advanced products, advanced level courses, and differentiation.

- Learning is facilitated by teachers with the 30-hour required training.
- Acceleration and enrichment of content as needed.
- Opportunities for differentiation, student collaboration, and project-based learning.
- Numerous, engaging electives are offered in special interest areas.
- Participation in advanced level classes.
- Enrollment opportunities in dual credit courses and On Ramps courses at the high school.
- Students send projects through Google Classroom to G/T specialists. These pieces are added to a digital portfolio for each student.

Communication

- School Messenger-Parents
- Google Classroom and Seesaw -Students
- GT BISD Facebook Page-Parents
- Website updates

G/T Showcase-Scheduled for April 24 and April 25

Theme... The Sky is the Limit

This is a come and go event from 4:30 p.m. through 6:00 p.m. that celebrates and showcases the efforts of gifted and talented students in the district's pull-out program. We have asked that students stand with their projects. Last name ending A-M on April 24th, last name ending N-Z on April 25th.

Additional Information

Brownwood ISD Gifted and Talented Program information

<https://sites.google.com/brownwoodisd.org/gifted-talented/home>

BISD Gifted and Talented 1-6 Scope and Sequence

<https://tinyurl.com/477t5wfu>