

BROWNWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Gifted and Talented Program Report

NOVEMBER 2021

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	2	2	4				8
NORTHWEST	0	5	3	3				11
WOODLAND	0	4	3	6				13
COGGIN					25	25	32	82
Total Per Grade Level	0	11	8	13	25	25	32	Total K-6 114

Upper Grades	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	BAHS	Grand Total
BMS and BHS	28	29	27	14	14	15	0	127

Fall 2021

- **GT Coordinator's Meeting** at Region XV on October 21 attended by both Fabbiani and Mills.
- **Neighborhood Schools**-shared concerns and suggestions with Dr. Young, Dr. Loffin, and Darla Peter.
- **Back to school**-GT updates and information was held at all campuses. Shared a website for teachers and options for obtaining 6-hour updates.
<https://sites.google.com/brownwoodisd.org/21-22-gt-bisd-overview/home>
- **GT professional development records** for teachers updated and shared with principals.
- **BMS students** are clustered during advisory period with visits from Mrs. Fabbiani.
- **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.
- **Parent orientation** was held October 18 with about 80 in attendance.
- **Referral and testing information** also held October 18 with nine parents in attendance.
- **2nd grade screeners** - Distributed and collected screeners, made recommendations for testing, and sent information to parents.
- **Kindergarten screeners** - Distributed copies of screeners and directions last week in October. Testing will occur January-February.
- **Testing**- fall testing began the first week in November. Selection Committee meets December 13.
- **Campus improvement plans** with suggested GT goals communicated with principals.

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 specialists.
- G/T specialists administer assessments and collaborate 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 during enrichment/Pride time, twice a week.
- 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.

- Seventh and eighth grade advisory period - G/T students are clustered and the learning is facilitated by teachers with the 30-hour 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.
- At the end of the school year, teachers turn in a "How Do You Differentiate" form.

Communication

School Messenger

Google Classroom

GT BISD Facebook Page

Seesaw

Data collected through surveys given to parents, teachers, and students

Website updates

G/T Showcase-Scheduled for April 25 and April 26

Theme... Unlock Your Potential

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 25th, last name ending N-Z on April 26th.

Thank You for Your Support

Many thanks for continuing to support the gifted and talented program.
Meeting the needs of our students and providing them a service that is enriching is our mission!

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