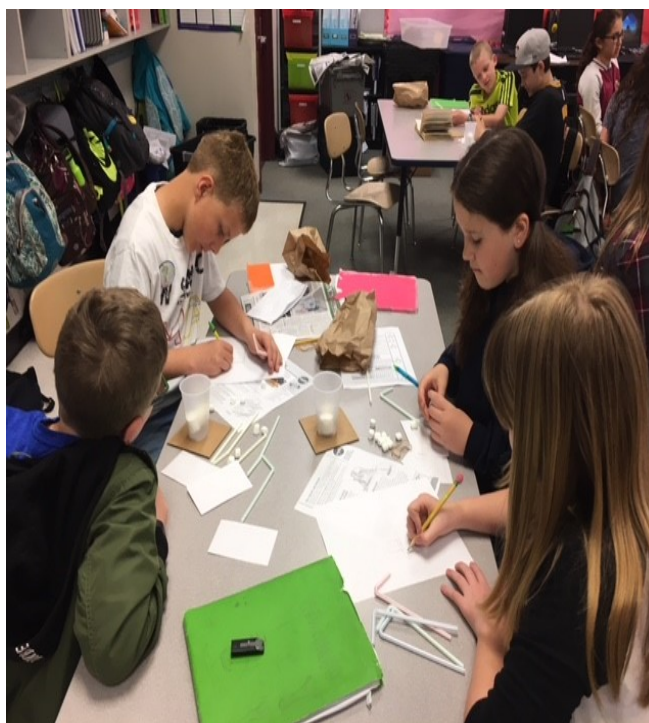


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*"Our greatest natural resource is
the minds of our children."*

- Walter Elias Disney

HIGHLY CAPABLE PROGRAM



Sequim School District
"Engage Empower Thrive"

Definition Of Highly Capable

WAC 392-170-035

"...students who perform or show potential for performing at significantly advanced academic levels when compared with others of their age, experiences, or environments. Outstanding abilities are seen within students' general intellectual aptitudes, specific academic abilities, and/or creative productivities within a specific domain. These students are present not only in the general populace, but are present within all protected classes according to chapters 28A.640 and 28A.642 RCW."

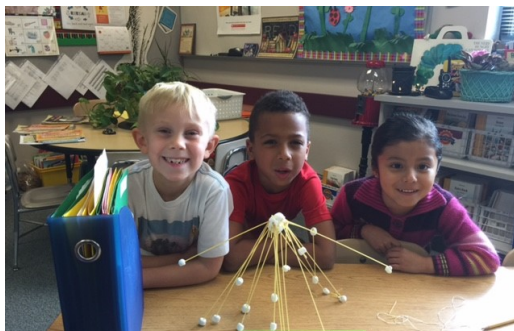
Highly Capable Learning Characteristics

WAC 392-170-036

"...students who are highly capable may possess, but are not limited to, these learning characteristics:

- (1) Capacity to learn with unusual depth of understanding, to retain what has been learned, and to transfer learning to new situations;
- (2) Capacity and willingness to deal with increasing levels of abstraction and complexity earlier than their chronological peers;
- (3) Creative ability to make unusual connections among ideas and concepts;
- (4) Ability to learn quickly in their area(s) of intellectual strength; and
- (5) Capacity for intense concentration and/or focus.

Highly Capable Program



- * Students in Kindergarten will have access to an accelerated and enriched education.
- * Students in 1st through 5th grade will be clustered with other highly capable students in order to have access to accelerated and enhanced instruction.
- * Students in grades K-5 will participate in a pull-out program that incorporates project-based learning with the Highly Capable Program Coordinator.
- * Students in 6th through 8th grade will be eligible for Honors Classes with opportunities for independent study and subject or grade acceleration.
- * Students in grades 9 through 12 are guided by our high school counselors and Highly Capable Program Coordinator to a variety of Honors, University of Washington College in High School courses, accelerated, and/or AP classes.

Sequim School District Referral Process

Announcement: The Sequim School District announces an open referral process for students in grades K-12 who may qualify for Highly Capable Program services.

Referral: Referral forms may be submitted by a parent, fellow student, teacher, or any member of the community. Referral forms are available during the open window at each school and online. Forms must be received by the stated deadline.

Screening and Testing: Screening and testing will take place on designated dates with parent/guardian permission. Test scores and input from teachers and parents will be gathered.

Selection: The Highly Capable Program is designed to serve approximately 3% of the student population based on high cognitive ability, high academic achievement, and intense creativity. Based on multiple points of data, the Multidisciplinary Selection Committee identifies those students most in need of Highly Capable Program services. To qualify for the Highly Capable Program, students must have at least two qualifying indicators that span two different areas of the body of evidence, which may include, but is not limited to, achievement, aptitude, creativity, behavior, and demonstrated performance.

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