

Newberg School District 29J

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Identification - Talented and Gifted**

In order to serve academically talented and intellectually gifted students in grades K-12, the Board directs the superintendent to establish a written identification process. This process shall include:

1. Screening for Talented and Gifted Testing

The Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test (NNAT) shall be used as the universal screening tool for all third grade students in the fall of each year. Test items are based on progressive matrices that require no verbal or written answers. The assessment is fair and unbiased for minority students and for students with color vision or hearing impairments. The assessment requires the student to rely on reasoning and problem-solving skills rather than word knowledge, mathematics, or reading ability.

Other screening tools shall include: teacher checklists, parent surveys, and the Oregon Assessment of Knowledge and Skills.

A District Screening Team shall meet quarterly to review potential candidates for the Talented and Gifted Program. This team shall make recommendations regarding further testing and schedule testing for TAG eligibility.

2. The TAG testing and eligibility process shall include:

A district-approved nationally standardized mental ability test, used in identifying intellectually gifted students.

A district-approved nationally normed achievement test, used for identifying academically talented students in the areas of mathematics and reading.

Students shall score at or above the 97th percentile on a district-approved nationally standardized mental ability test, or a district-approved nationally normed achievement test in order to be identified as Talented and Gifted.

Parents who are dissatisfied with the identification process or placement of their student, may request a meeting with the superintendent/designee.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 343.395](#)
[ORS 343.407](#)

[ORS 343.411](#)
[OAR 581-021-0030](#)

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