GATE Cluster and Seminar Program Summary 2018-2019

GATE Cluster: 25% of each GATE Cluster Class identified in PowerSchool (e.g. E3_G.4, or 1501C_2.0) is comprised of students identified as GATE Cluster; the remainder of the students in the class must reflect the diversity of the school’s population.

GATE Seminar: A minimum 50% of each class identified as Seminar in PowerSchool (e.g. E3_H.4, or 1520S_2.1) is comprised of students identified as GATE Seminar; the remainder of the students in the class are identified as GATE Cluster.

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According to your site’s Assignment Book, are there teachers at your school site who are not District GATE Certified but are teaching a GATE Cluster class for this school year?  

☑ Yes  [No]

Has a waiver been completed for these teachers?  

☐ Yes  ☑ No

How do the GATE Cluster classroom teachers identify academic skill levels and provide direct instruction, interventions, and/or acceleration for students identified as GATE Cluster?

Teachers check the student rosters to identify GATE students at the start of the year and provide a stimulating and challenging environment that focuses on greater depth, pacing, complexity and novelty as an integral part of the school day. Teachers provide integrated learning experiences through interdisciplinary units and create opportunities for student to develop and nurture interpersonal skills.
In addition to mastery of CCSS, what are your GATE program goals?

☐ A stimulating and challenging environment that provides a differentiated curriculum focusing on greater depth, pacing, complexity, and novelty as an integral part of the school day.

☐ Effective communication and articulation between the school, home and community via EdConnect, e-mail, website, newsletters and brochures.

☐ Integrated learning experiences through interdisciplinary units.

☐ Development of skills in using technology.

☐ Opportunities for students to develop and nurture interpersonal and social skills.

☐ A comprehensive, research-based staff development program for teachers and parents that supports the academic, social, and emotional needs of advanced learners.

☐ Service to GATE identified students as well as all students with recognized gifted potential.

☐ Intentional enrollment of students from under-represented populations within GATE-Cluster classrooms.

☐ A Site GATE Team made up of the administrator, GATE Team Leader, teachers, parents, counselors and community members that meets periodically throughout the school year to discuss issues relevant to Gifted Education.

☐ Other:___________________________________________________________

What curriculum modifications are implemented to provide depth, complexity, and novelty within your GATE Seminar classes?

☐ The use of formal and informal assessments before, periodically during, and after each unit of study to determine level of differentiation of instruction.

☐ Once levels of performance are evaluated, teachers determine appropriate balance of direct instruction, student driven inquiry and meaningful rigorous extension work.

☐ Students grouped by ability in partnerships, small group, and/or whole class lessons based on assessment.

☐ Other:________________________________________________________________________________________
Instruction includes the ongoing use of GATE Best Practices (Check All That Apply):

- ✔ Socratic Seminar
- ✔ Independent Study
- ✔ Icons for Depth and Complexity
- ✔ Learning Centers
- ✔ Curriculum Compacting
- ✔ Alternate Assignments
- ✔ Note-Taking Skills
- ✔ Tiered Activities
- ✔ Challenge Opportunities
- ✔ Open Ended Questions
- ✔ Problem / Project Based Learning
- ✔ Cognitive Demanding Reading and Writing Instruction
- ✔ Teaching of Organizational Techniques
- ✔ Collaborative Projects / Assignments
- ✔ Inquiry Based Instruction
- ✔ High Level Questioning Techniques (Ex. Blooms Taxonomy & DOK)
- ✔ Access to Appropriate Leveled Reading
- ✔ Alternate Assignments
- ✔ Tiered Activities
- ✔ Open Ended Questions

Other: __________________________________________________________

What unique activities/ opportunities for student choice and creative expression are made available to students within your GATE Seminar classes?

- ✔ Academic Enrichment Activities
- ✔ Multi-Level and Multi-Dimensional Curriculum
- ✔ Interdisciplinary Study / Projects
- ✔ Participation in Academic Contests / Teams
- ✔ Leadership Opportunities
- ✔ Opportunities to Collaborative with Experts in the Field
- ✔ Long Range in Depth Projects
- ✔ Additional Opportunities for Published Work
- ✔ Lessons Address Supporting Social/Emotional Needs of Students who are Gifted

Other: __________________________________________________________
**When are your two 2018-2019 GATE Cluster Parent Meetings scheduled?**

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Principal’s Signature ____________________________  Date __________