Gifted and Talented Magnet Program Nomination Form

This nomination form is for students wishing to attend a magnet site center based gifted program. This is not testing for Gifted and Talented (GT) identification. This application is also available online at http://gt.dpsk12.org

Please note: Students cannot be tested more than once a year. For instance, a student tested in the fall of 2016 would not be eligible to test again until the fall of 2017.

Non DPS students: If your student does not live in Denver county, there is a $125 nonrefundable fee for testing. All Non DPS students must also send a copy of their birth certificate PRIOR to testing. Copies can be emailed to stacey_pendleton@dpsk12.org or mailed to the address below:

DPS Gifted and Talented Department
ATTN: Stacey Pendleton
1860 Lincoln Street, 8th Fl NE
Denver, CO 80203

Part I- Student Information

1. Student Name

____________________________________________________________________________________

Last          First          M.I.

2. Student’s Current School ____________________________________________________________

3. Is your child currently a student in Denver Public Schools?    ☐ YES    ☐ NO
If your child does not attend a Denver Public School, please complete the Non DPS student section which appears later in the application.

4. DPS ID # (known at your student’s school) ____________________________________________
For Non-DPS students, please leave blank

5. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) ____________________________

6. Gender       ☐ Male      ☐ Female

7. Ethnicity              ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native   ☐ Asian
                          ☐ Caucasian/White               ☐ Black or African
                          ☐ Hispanic or Latino            ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
                          ☐ Multiple Races            ☐ Other
8. Current Grade
☐ Kindergarten ☐ 1st ☐ 2nd ☐ 3rd
☐ 4th ☐ 5th ☐ 6th ☐ 7th

9. Address ____________________________________________
Number ___________________ Street _________________________
Unit/Apartment # __________________

10. City ____________________________

11. Zip Code _______________________

12. Parent/Guardian Name ____________________________________________
    First ______________________ Last _______________________

13. Parent/Guardian Phone Number ____________________________________________

14. Parent/Guardian Email ____________________________________________
    Please include an email that is checked regularly. The majority of communication regarding testing will be conducted via e-mail.

15. Best Method of Contact ☐ Phone ☐ Email

16. Primary language of communication ____________________________________________

17. Primary language spoken by student ____________________________________________

18. Can this student test in English? ☐ YES ☐ NO

19. Has this student previously been nominated for the Gifted Magnet Program? ☐ YES ☐ NO
    If you answered YES to the question above, when (grade student tested) ______________________

20. Name of individual completing the form ____________________________________________

21. Relationship to student ☐ Parent/Guardian ☐ Teacher ☐ Principal ☐ Self
    ☐ Other ____________________________
Part II- Accommodations

If a student will need special consideration or accommodations during the testing process, the student (or parent/guardian) must specifically request the special considerations sought or accommodations needed. It would be discriminatory for the District to assume special considerations or accommodations are necessary without first receiving such a request.

Denver Public Schools does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, transgender status, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, veteran status, or disability in the educational programs and activities of the district.

If the student is not a DPS student, please send a copy of the student’s IEP or 504. You may email a scan to stacey_pendleton@dpsk12.org or mail to the address below:

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22. Does this student have an IEP or Section 504 Plan?  □ YES  □ NO

If you select yes, please list accommodations below. If not, please continue to the next section titled “Additional Information”

23. Please list IEP or 504 special considerations or accommodations
Part III- Additional Information

24. Has the student had any individual psychological or cognitive testing (e.g. WISC, WPPSI, DAS, Stanford-Binet, etc.) administered by a school, school district, Special Education Department, or private psychologist? (Note: Bracken scores do not apply)

*Please note: Parents may submit test results from private evaluations. However, to ensure the nomination process is equitable for all DPS families, the results of private evaluations will not be used as a sole source of identification for gifted and talented services in Denver Public Schools.*

☐ YES  ☐ NO

25. If YES, what was the date of administration? ________________________________

26. Which test(s) have been administered to this student? ________________________________

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Part IV- Reason for Nomination

27. Using the space below, please explain why your child’s needs cannot be met in a traditional classroom. Describe how a gifted and talented center-based magnet program would better meet your child’s educational, social, and emotional needs?
Part V- Student Characteristics

28. Please share specific examples below which illustrate your child’s need for magnet programming. Share the examples you feel are more relevant, or the most extreme.

For example:

- Michael began to show the ability to switch between English and Spanish and to translate English and Spanish for the family after being in the United States less than two years.
- Ana checked out a technical manual about WWII aircraft as a kindergartner. She was reading and explaining the various aspects of each plane to her classmates and teacher. Ana’s classmates liked the pictures of places, but did not care about the technical information she was trying to share.
- Before he entered kindergarten, Jacob could do multiple digit long division in his head without needing a pencil or paper to solve the problem. He taught himself division by reading his older brother’s third grade math books.

Please share the student character examples in the box below
Part VI- Parent/Guardian Signatures

If your child qualifies as magnet eligible, you will need to participate in the School Choice process. Enrollment in the Magnet Program is a lottery process, handled by Choice and Enrollment Services, and it is based on the spaces available at each magnet site. Please contact Choice and Enrollment with questions regarding the choice process, placement, and individual school priorities.

29. I agree (please check the box) ❑

The Gifted and Talented Department will mail results and decisions to the mailing address on this nomination form. Please note, decisions and testing results will not be available by phone or email. For more information, see our website at http://gt.dpsk12.org

30. I agree (please check the box) ❑

31. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) must type consent below to give DPS permission for the testing process.

I give my permission to Denver Public Schools to initiate a formal review process to determine magnet eligibility for Denver Public Schools Gifted Magnet Program for the student nominated on this form.

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Parent/Guardian Signature Date
Part VII - Non DPS Students - Please Skip if Attending a DPS School

Complete this section if your child does NOT attend a DPS school. A copy of the student’s birth certificate is required for all Non DPS students.

- If your student does not attend a DPS school, you MUST send a copy of their birth certificate via US Mail (DPS Gifted and Talented Department, ATTN: Stacey Pendleton, 1860 Lincoln Street, 8th Fl NE Denver, CO 80203) or email a copy to stacey_pendleton@dpsk12.org.
- If your student has ability and/or achievement testing administered by their school within the past two years, it can be emailed to stacey_pendleton@dpsk12.org or mailed (DPS Gifted and Talented Department, ATTN: Stacey Pendleton, 1860 Lincoln Street, 8th Fl NE Denver, CO 80203) or brought to the student’s assigned testing date/time so it can be included in the formal body of evidence to review to determine magnet eligibility status.
- An email will be sent regarding testing times for Non DPS students.
- Testing will be administered in an online format in one session, in groups with other students in the same grade level, at Denver Public School’s Emily Griffith Campus, and can take one to three hours depending on your student’s grade level and test administered. Please carefully consider if your child is ready for this length and format of testing prior to applying.

32. If your student does not attend a DPS school, are they a resident of the city/county of Denver?
   - YES
   - NO

If you answered NO, there is a $125 testing fee. This testing fee is only for students that DO NOT currently attend a DPS school and do NOT live in Denver County. Please bring the fee to your student’s assigned testing date/time in the form of a check or money order. Please make checks out to: Denver Public Schools Gifted and Talented Department. We cannot accept cash or credit cards at this time.