



South Harrison Township Elementary School District

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Dear Families,

This year, we will be utilizing the Torrance Tests of Creative Thinking (TTCT) and the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (OLSAT) to assess students for the purpose of identifying students who qualify for Gifted and Talented education. Typically, these assessments would be given to second grade students at the end of the school year. Due to the pandemic, the last administration was in 2019. Therefore, students in third and fourth grade will be assessed with the TTCT and OLSAT within the next couple weeks. The TTCT invites students to draw and give a title to their drawings (pictures) or to write questions, reasons, consequences, and different uses for objects (words). The OLSAT assesses a student's verbal, nonverbal, and quantitative ability. An analysis of TTCT and OLSAT results, STAR/i-Ready data, classroom data and teacher recommendations will be utilized in identifying students who qualify for the Gifted and Talented program. The qualification of students will be communicated to families prior to the start of the program. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Allison Thompson

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