



# Gifted and Talented



POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Wellington Middle High School



Wellington Middle-High School (WMHS), in conjunction with the Poudre School District Gifted and Talented program strives to nurture the development of exceptional abilities so that all gifted students demonstrate positive self-esteem, high-level thinking, and creative productivity. Gifted PSD students are identified by assessing their strength areas. Educational programming is implemented to match their identified needs. Student progress and achievement are monitored through on-going assessment.

Wellington Middle-High is a growing, newer school and as we work to establish programming, there will be some new changes. We are working on developing as well as operating on a project-based model where students can learn to advocate, problem-solve, brainstorm and create things in a way that prepares them for their time beyond their K-12 experience. We are beyond excited to tailor this program to students' needs and are looking forward to working with your students.



**130**

Current GT students

**1,189**

Total student enrollment



### Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

Grade level acceleration is available for math. Other options and opportunities are available. There are also a variety of electives like math & science Olympiad as well as clubs like robotics, drama, and creative writing as well for students to pursue and advance their skills.



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## Overview of the GT program at this school



### WMHS's GT Program:

- Provides advanced learning experiences with appropriately higher learning standards.
- Provides social and emotional guidance.
- Acknowledges strengths and interests and helps the student build on them to branch out in an interdisciplinary approach.
- Guides the student in selecting enrichment, elective, and extra-curricular opportunities.
- Wellington Middle-High School's Gifted and Talented program believes in the importance of building the academic and social/emotional needs of all students through a variety of enrichment experiences in and out of the classroom.

## Advanced Learning Plan process at this school



Students will select a project to work on throughout the year. Students can choose from a variety of options not limited to career mentorship, career/college exploration, independent inquiry, etc. Students will work with parents, teachers, and GT Staff to complete this enrichment project independently. Please contact Kate Wines for access to the Goal ALP Packet for the current year.

## Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school



For more information regarding some course descriptions, please visit our Academics Tab at CLPMS's website at: [Academics | Wellington Middle-High School \(psdschools.org\)](https://www.psdschools.org/academics)

- Regularly scheduled small group GT meetings
- Field Trips (ex: Buell Theater, Noosa, UCAR, UNC Ropes Course)
- Advisory ELO on study hall days
- Science Olympiad Enrichment
- Lego Robotics Enrichment
- Band/Orchestra
- Jazz
- Choir Electives
- Differentiated Instruction in Art
- Exploring Engineering; Exploring Chemistry; Exploring Robotics; Exploring Technology
- Technology Electives/Enrichments (computers, 3d design; 21st century media; gaming)
- Book Club Enrichment
- Current World Affairs Enrichment
- Creative Writing/Poetry Enrichment
- WEB Leaders
- Advanced International Baccalaureate Language (IB)
- Advanced Spanish classes

\* These are offered depending on school scheduling.

### Enrichment opportunities for GT students before or after school



- Lego Robotics
- Athletics
- Pirate Tutorial
- Virtual Reality Club
- National Junior Honor Society
- Give Next

### Affective programming for GT students



The Gifted and Talented Program at Wellington Middle High School recognizes the GT student's affective characteristics and provides individual support through the Counseling Office, the GT Program, and through grade level teacher teams. The GT Program provides opportunities for students to discuss struggles and achievements in a safe environment with a trusted adult.

### Grade-specific GT services



Grade level GT discussions including grade level book studies. For specifics on athletics and enrichment (clubs and classes), please contact Kate Wines as offerings change yearly. 7th and 8th grade students have the opportunity to participate in any of the offerings described above based on availability and placement criteria.