



# Gifted and Talented



POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Tavelli Elementary School



At Tavelli Elementary, our gifted and talented students thrive. Our program offers opportunities for differentiated instruction that fosters critical thinking skills. Tavelli teachers utilize a STEAM focus where students learn about Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics through interdisciplinary units of study. Classroom teachers, instructional paraprofessionals and the GT coordinator work together to meet the needs of GT students through differentiation in the regular classroom, advanced classes and enrichment opportunities.

<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/tavelligt>



**30+**

Average GT students

**480**

Total student enrollment



### Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

Programming opportunities vary from year to year and are specific to the student interests and Advanced Learning Plan goals. Students receive accelerated curricular options as part of the IE enrichment classes in reading and math.



### Gifted and Talented site coordinator:

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### Overview of the GT program at this school



#### Tavelli's GT Program:

- Tavelli's Gifted and Talented program emphasizes the importance of addressing the academic and social/emotional needs of all students through various enrichment experiences both in and out of the classroom.
- Provides advanced learning experiences with appropriately higher learning standards.
- Provides social and emotional guidance.
- Acknowledges strengths and interests, helping the student build on them through an interdisciplinary approach.

### Advanced Learning Plan process at this school



The ALP is written collaboratively between the GT teacher and the student. This ALP is then sent home for further conversation and updates with parents. Each identified student will have a goal that addresses both their area of identification and social/emotional (affective) needs. When appropriate, goals can be combined to better serve the student.

### Programming opportunities for GT students



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### Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school



Opportunities vary from year to year but included activities such as:

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| • Regularly scheduled small group GT meetings | • Math Olympiad   | • Music class        |
| • Daily enrichment classes for reading        | • Field Trips     | • Art studio         |
| • Daily enrichment classes for math           | • 3D printing lab | • Computer Lab       |
|   | • Maker's Space   | • Physical Education |
|   | • Spelling Bee    |                      |

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



Opportunities vary from year to year but included activities such as:

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| • Chess Wizards           | • Little Kids Rock guitar club |
| • Dream Team              | • Science Fair                 |
| • Battle of the Books     | • CREST Robotics               |
| • Running Club            | • Yoga                         |
| • Sports Teams            | • Mad Science                  |
| • Spanish: Uno, Dos, Tres | • Art Class                    |
| • Acting Lab              | • Arts & Crafts                |
| • Science Matters         | • Blooming Girls               |
| • LEGO Club               | • Play-Well Lego Robotics      |
| • Young Rembrandts        | • Hip Hop Dance Party          |

### Affective programming for GT students



The Gifted and Talented Program at Tavelli Elementary School recognizes the GT student's affective characteristics and provides individual support through the school counselor, school psychologist, the GT teacher, and grade level teachers. The GT Program provides opportunities for students to discuss struggles and achievements in a safe environment with a trusted adult and/or other GT students with similar needs.

### Grade-specific GT services



Students in grades three through five receive support in pull-out enrichment groups.  
Students in kindergarten through fifth grade also receive support through in-class differentiation.