NYC Gifted & Talented Program for Children entering Kindergarten through Grade 3

Testing for G&T eligibility is taking place during the month of January. All families who submitted an application by November 13 should have received notification of their child’s test date in December. If you submitted the RFT form by the deadline and did not receive your test date confirmation, email ESEnrollment@schools.nyc.gov or call 718-935-2009.

Students who take the test this January will learn their test results in late March. If your child is eligible to apply for G&T placement, you will get a G&T Application and a list of G&T program options along with your score report in late March. Placement offers will be sent in May 2018 and the deadline to accept an offer will be in June.

A couple of miscellaneous pointers:

- Prepping for the test is not required or advisable; you can however provide your children with prior exposure to what the test will look like by reviewing with them the practice test found in the 2018 Gifted & Talented Handbook.

- Do not forget to bring your child’s birth certificate or passport to your G&T Test appointment to verify their date of birth.

- If you child is sick on the day of the test, all is not lost - simply notify the school or the testing site and they will work with you to reschedule the assessment as testing appointments become available within the defined testing period.

NYC PreK For All Application Period Announced: Monday February 5-Friday March 30

All families with children born in 2014 as eligible to apply to PreK for September 2018. Free full day (6 hours, 20 minutes) PreK programs are available in public Elementary Schools, PreK Centers, Charter Schools, and in many Early Childhood Education Centers throughout the City.

A streamlined application provides families with the ease of prioritizing and applying to up to 12 programs. Families are urged to list only those schools to which you would send your child.

Steps to identify schools:

1. Find your zoned school
2. Read school profiles and watch videos on InsideSchools
3. Review individual school websites
4. Review the DOE-prepared materials designed to support your search
5. Attend parent tours and open houses as available
6. Carefully review the PreK Directory about each school including 2015 enrollment
Online information about the process, directories of PreK options by borough, information sessions and tours, and more is available.

Sign up for email updates from the NYC DOE to stay up-to-date on topics that interest you.

Two Resources to Help You Stay Up-To-Date about NYC Public Education

- Chalkbeat NY
- InsideSchools

Get Involved in Community School District 2

- Learn about Community Education Councils, sign up for the District 2 CEC listserv, attend meetings, and share your opinions.
- Learn about work of Community District 2, sign up for Education Committee’s listserv, attend meetings, and consider serving.
- Become an active parent in your child’s school.