

# We are excited about the expansion of Middle School G/T services in 2018-2019!!

Beginning with the 2018-19 school year, a designated G/T Science class will be offered in grades 6-8 at every LISD middle school. The course will be listed on your course registration card for selection.

#### G/T Science

This course will be designed for students with a passion and interest in the sciences with the goal of further developing the capacities of problem solving and critical thinking through inquiry-based science instruction. Students will be given opportunities to showcase products that demonstrate understanding and competence in communication skills needed to navigate the 21st-century learning, leading, and creating environments.



\* What should I consider when choosing whether to enroll in the G/T Science course or a regular Pre-AP Science course?

Consider your level of interest and strength in science. Science instruction naturally appeals to a sense of intellectual curiosity and inquiry for many G/T students but not all. The curriculum in the designated G/T course will be designed specifically to meet the needs of gifted learners while the Pre-AP Science class will be open to any student.

\*I have been formally identified as a G/T learner but chose to not take ELA LEAP this year. Can I register for the G/T Science class even if not currently enrolled in the ELA LEAP class?

Yes, We do highly recommend that G/T students enroll in ELA LEAP because the specialized curriculum is designed to meet the unique academic, social and emotional needs of G/T learners. However, it is not a requirement to participate in both courses.

## \*Who will be teaching the G/T Science course?

The selection of the teacher for any course offered is the decision of the campus principal. Any teacher selected to teach the course will have the district required Initial G/T training and annual updates.

### \*What if a course doesn't meet the minimum enrollment numbers to "make" on a campus?

The G/T students will be clustered together in the G/T Science course with other non-G/T students. The clustered teachers will also receive the Initial G/T training as and annual updates.

#### \*Am I required to take the G/T Science course if I am G/T?

No, this is a class that is optional for G/T students. You are not required to enroll in this new G/T class.

For questions regarding this course offering please contact Sharon Nobis, LISD Secondary G/T Program Administrator at <a href="mailto:giftedandtalented@lisd.net">giftedandtalented@lisd.net</a> or 469-948-8046.