

## DCSD Gifted Education Consent to Test Form

### *DCSD Gifted and Talented Definition*

Gifted and talented students are those students whose abilities, talents and potential for accomplishment are so exceptional, or developmentally advanced, that they require special provisions to meet their educational needs. In accordance with state and national guidelines, the Gifted and Talented Department has developed a process to gather data in order to match appropriate services to identified student need.

### *Components of identification for programming:*

- Student Aptitude
- Student Achievement
- Student Performance (or conversely, high ability/underachieving students)
- Student Interest
- Observable Behaviors (classroom)
- Observable Behaviors (home and community)

### **REQUIRED: Parent / Guardian Signature**

Parents or guardians must give permission for their child to be assessed utilizing the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT), when the assessment is given outside the school's normal testing window. The CogAT is a measure of student ability/aptitude, and is one piece in the overall body of evidence gathered when identifying gifted learners.

I give my permission for my student to take the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) as a part of the body of evidence gathered for gifted programming in the Douglas County School District.

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Student Name

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Signature of Parent or Guardian (required)

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Date

### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING AND SERVICES**

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