

# Parent/Guardian Permission to Assess (Per WAC 392-170-047)

## **Student Identification Process for LWSD Highly Capable Services**

Based on state guidelines for identifying highly capable students, Lake Washington School District uses multiple criteria to determine placement. Applicants must:

- Be residents of Lake Washington School District
- Demonstrate high cognitive ability and high academic achievement in both literacy and math
- Go through the district's highly capable assessment process for selection (Private testing outside of the school district cannot be used to substitute for Lake Washington School District testing)
- Complete the online application and comply with all requests for permission for assessment and placement

## **Student Identification Criteria for LWSD Highly Capable Services**

Eligibility is determined by a student's body of evidence, and criteria differs for each program. Information about the identification criteria for LWSD's Highly Capable Services can be found at the links below.

| Identification Criteria Links by Highly Capable Program |   |
|---|---|
| Kindergarten K5HC                                       | Kindergarten K5HC Link to Criteria          |
| Grades 1-5 K5HC   | Grades 1-5 K5HC Link to Criteria            |
| Grades 2-5 Pull-out Quest                               | Grades 2-5 Pull-out Quest Link to Criteria  |
| Grades 2-5 Full-time Quest                              | Grades 2-5 Full-time Quest Link to Criteria |
| Grades 6-8 Full-time Quest                              | Grades 6-8 Full-time Quest Link to Criteria |

#### **Appeals**

- Assessment criteria are applied equitably to all applicants. Appeals to assessment determinations will be addressed by an
  appeals review team (Multidisciplinary Selection Committee MSC) after application screening and after assessments.
  Appeals must be submitted to the Accelerated Programs office in writing within 10 calendar days of notification of results.
- Appeals must be based on specific criteria related to the screening/testing conditions, or to a misapplication or miscalculation of the scores. The decision of the appeal review team is final.

## Program Placement

For information on Lake Washington School District's Highly Capable Services, please visit <u>www.lwsd.org/hcp</u>.

### Exit from Highly Capable Services

All students in LWSD, including students identified as highly capable, are expected to follow district and building expectations. Washington State Law requires districts to periodically review services for each student to ensure that the services are appropriate. Parents may opt to exit the program at any time.

| Permission to Assess  |                         |  |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Student Last Name:  | Student First Name:     |  |
| Current Grade:  | Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy): |  |
| Guardian Last Name:   | Guardian First Name:    |  |
| Cell Phone:   | Email:                  |  |
| I have received a copy of Permission to Assess for LWSD Highly Capable Programs/Services. I give permission to LWSD to assess |                         |  |
| my child to determine eligibility in the LWSD Highly Capable Program.   |                         |  |
| Signature:  | Date:                   |  |
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