

**Henrico County Public Schools  
Gifted Education Programs  
K-5 Description of Programs**

**Elementary School Based Resource Program**

Elementary Gifted Resource Teachers with an endorsement in gifted education will provide the following core and support services for students in grades K-5.

- Deliver small group or whole group differentiated extension/enrichment lessons for identified students that correlate with the advanced curriculum, Standards of Learning (SOL) and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills. To include a progress report to parent each semester.
- Provide collaborative/consultative services with individual grade level teams or teachers.
- Conduct staff development workshops with an emphasis on differentiated instructional techniques.
- Assist with the gifted identification/placement process K-5.
- Communicate with staff and families through the Gifted blog and newsletters.

**Grade 4-5 Zone Based/School Based Programs**

**Teachers with an endorsement in gifted education** will provide the following core and support services for 4<sup>th</sup> and/or 5<sup>th</sup> grade students identified in intellectual aptitude.

- Deliver advanced curriculum in the four core subjects that correlates with the Standards of Learning (SOL) and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills. Include the use of curriculum deemed as “Best Practices” for Gifted Students by incorporating at least 1 W&M Language Arts Navigator, 1 W&M LA, SS or Science units and 2 units of Mentoring Mathematical Minds units.
- Employ a wide range of teaching strategies and techniques that include differentiated instruction that addresses students cognitive, social and emotional needs, modes of different learning styles, student production, self-evaluation, and growth.
- Offer enrichment programs and opportunities that extend the curriculum
- Communicate with parents regularly about academic progress.
- Zone and school based teachers are required to attend trainings as scheduled 6 times a year.