

Some Characteristic of Gifted Learner		A Creative Thinker...	A Gifted Learner...	A High Achieving...
	Sees exceptions.	Poses unforeseen questions.	Remembers the answer.	
	Wonders.	Is curious.	Is attentive.	
	Overflows with ideas, many of which will never be developed.	Generates complex, abstract ideas.	Generates advanced ideas.	
	Plays with ideas and concepts.	Knows without working hard.	Works hard to achieve.	
	Injects new possibilities.	Ponders with depth and multiple perspectives.	Answer the questions in detail.	



Response to a Question

## INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES

Hoagies Gifted

National Association of Gifted Children

The National Research Center on the Gifted and Talented

Arizona Association for Gifted and Talented

More websites found in our handbook.

Desert Mountain Elementary.

Frances-Brandon Pickett Elementary

Gateway Polytechnic Academy.

Jack Barnes Elementary.

Faith Mather Sossaman Elementary.

Queen Creek Elementary.

Silver Valley Elementary.

Schnepf Elementary.

Mountain Trail Academy.

# ELP

Enhanced Learning Program



Queen Creek Unified  
School District

480-987-5935

QCUSD Gifted Program

# IS MY CHILD GIFTED?

## How do I know?

All children are special and have their own areas of strength. However, some children have unusually advanced abilities that require special adjustments at home and school to help them grow and learn. As you watch your child grow and develop, you may notice skills or characteristics that are quite different from those of other children the same age.

For example, your child may:

- Be very curious and observant
- Use adult-sounding words and reasoning
- Think of many unusual ideas
- Recognize complex patterns or relationships
- Come to surprising solutions to problems
- Show a strong memory
- Ask unusual questions
- Demonstrate advanced talent in a certain area (such as mathematics, science, writing, art, music or drama)
- Learn letters or numbers early and read before being formally taught

Children can show giftedness in a variety of ways, and often parents are the first to notice special abilities. If you are seeing a number of these behaviors in your children, it might be a signal that their development is somewhat advanced.

## QCUSD Elementary ELP Program

- 21st Century Skills
  - Critical thinking
  - Collaboration
  - Creativity
  - Communication

Science Technology Engineering Math

Public Speaking

College & Career Pathway Exploration

Creative Problem Solving

Project Based Learning

Field Trips (3rd–6th)

# CAN CHILDREN WITH LEARNING DIFFICULTIES ALSO BE GIFTED?

Some gifted children also have disabilities that affect learning, including:

- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Learning disabilities
- Autism spectrum disorder

In these cases, schools and families should provide support to respond to both the giftedness and the learning difficulties. Education and medical professionals will help to make an appropriate intervention plan for children with these types of dual exceptionalities, but it is important that the characteristics of giftedness be considered in that planning. It is important for medical professionals to include attention to a child's ability and school environment in making an assessment for ADHD

## TESTING WINDOWS

There are three testing windows.

Fall  
Winter  
Spring

