

ES Center for Gifted Studies - ELEMENTARY

What is Gifted Block?

Gifted Block is a daily, one-hour enrichment elective that is embedded in our Center for Gifted Studies program. In addition to differentiated curriculum in all subjects, full-time gifted students receive explicit gifted pedagogy (similar to pull-out gifted) daily during this time.

ES Gifted Elective Commonalities in Grades 1st – 5th

- Explicit time for Critical & Creative Thinking Curriculum
- Explicit time for Affective/Leadership Curriculum (includes team building, communication, AVID, personal goal setting, leadership development, etc.)
- Independent Research
- Academic Competition (rotates each year)
- Explicit time for Gifted Portfolio/EP Progress Monitoring
- Social Studies Connection
- Creative Writing
- Root Word Work
- High-level, engaging, interdisciplinary curriculum designed for gifted learners



ES Gifted Elective Details 5 Year Rotation

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Big Idea	Structure	Interactions	Systems	Relationships	Systems
Gifted Unit	Space, Story & Stucture	Ecology	Ancient Egypt	Think Like a Geographer	Where's the Beach
Interact Unit	Astronaut Academy/ Sailor of the Stars	Rain Forrest	Egypt	Oregon Trail	SOS
Leadership	Leader Lessons 1,2,3,4	Leader Lessons 5,6,7,8	Leader Lessons 9,10,11,12	Leader Lessons 13,14,15,16	Leader Lessons 17,18,19,20
Team Building	STEM 1,2,3,4	STEM 5,6,7,8	STEM 9,10,11,12	STEM 13,14,15,16	STEM 17,18,19,20
Affective Skills	Malleable Monday Year 1	Malleable Monday Year 2	Malleable Monday Year 3	Malleable Monday Year 4	Malleable Monday Year 5
Research	Genius Hour Choice 1	Genius Hour Choice 2	Genius Hour Choice 3	Genius Hour Choice 4	Genius Hour Choice 5
Competition	Odessey of The Mind	Invention Convention	Rubik's Cube	Geo Bee	Future Cities Jr.