

Gifted Program Report



Wentzville R-IV School District
Executive Summary
September 16, 2021



Program Description



The Gifted Education Program is designed to provide challenge and enrichment to identified gifted students.






Services




WSD Horizons program design varies at each level:

- Elementary Horizons Center classrooms: pull out program one day a week
 - 2nd Grade
 - 3rd & 4th grades
 - 4th & 5th grades
 - 6th grade
- Seventh & eighth grades - every other day 60 minute class at their home school
- High school - Academic Intervention, study hall, discussion groups, speakers, job shadowing experiences, and college/career planning are offered to students.



September 2019 Goals:



1. Improve representation of African-American and Low Socioeconomic student groups in the Horizons program. (continue)
2. Ensure that staff for the Horizons program is best utilized to maximize positive impact on student needs. (continue)

We are continuing with both goals due to lack of opportunity for progress as we have navigated COVID.

WSD compared to Missouri Gifted Programs

- Per DESE, approximately 3-5% of student enrollment should meet criteria for gifted services.
- WSD current average is 3.42%





September 2021 Goals:





Goal 1: Improved representation of students in the African American and low socioeconomic status subgroups in the Horizons program.

	Current % identified	State 20% index recommendation	Goal: 2023 % identified
African American	1.9 %	5.68%	3.8%
Low Socioeconomic	2.5 %	8.08%	5.15%

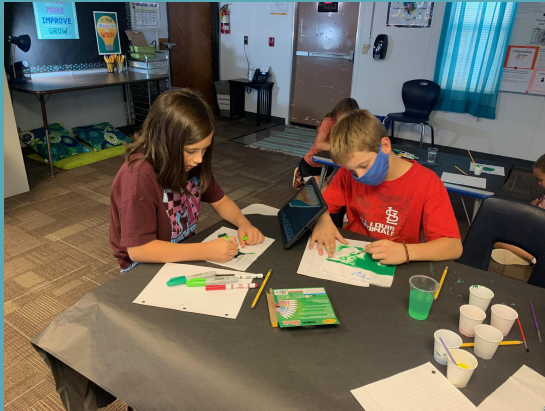


Goal 1 Action Steps:

- Two elementary center campuses: Heritage and Stone Creek
- Horizons elementary programming on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
- Mondays and Fridays:
 - Enrichment opportunities for first and second grade students from underrepresented subgroup populations
 - Collaboration opportunities for elementary teachers



Goal 2: Ensure that staff for the Horizons program are best utilized to maximize positive impact on student needs.





Goal 2 Action Steps:

- Mondays and Fridays:
 - Enrichment opportunities for first and second grade students from underrepresented subgroup populations
 - Collaboration opportunities for elementary teachers
- Middle school Guided Enrichment elective to eighth grade Horizons and high achieving students
 - Plans to expand to seventh grade students in the 2022-2023 school year

Questions?

Thank you for supporting the
WSD Horizons Program!

