# Nemo Vista Gifted and Talented 20-21 Report to the Public Prepared by: Brandi Hill-Lewis Gifted and Talented Coordinator

Arkansas Gifted and Talented Standards require that each school use procedures to evaluate the effectiveness of educational opportunities provided for gifted and talented students.

#### 10.01

This report includes information to decision makers for improving the program options offered to gifted and talented students.

Nemo Vista has 46 (9.76%) students identified as Gifted and Talented, 7 of which are virtual. According to the ESSA report the Gifted and Talented Program did not make adequate progress in the identification of free and reduced lunch students and student diversity.

The Nemo Vista Gifted and Talented program serves students K-12.

K-3 students are served through weekly 30 minute enrichment classes.

3rd grade (until the end of the 1st semester)

4-5 grade identified students receive services through daily pull-out classes for a total of 150 minutes per week. Identified 3rd graders will begin pull out classes in January. 6th grade identified students receive services through daily classes totaling 225 minutes per week and Advanced Math.

7-8 grade identified students receive services through 3 pull out classes totaling 150 minutes per week, Advanced Math 7 grade, and 8th grade acceleration to Algebra I. 9-12 grade identified students receive services through daily meetings with Gifted and Talented Coordinator, Secondary Course Classes, AP classes (both virtual and on campus), and concurrent classes.

## 10.02

The goals of the Nemo Vista Gifted and Talented program are to:

- 1. Provide opportunities for students to pursue individual interests and develop talents.
- 2. Provide support for the social and emotional needs of gifted students.
- 3. Provide differentiation in content, process, and/or product.
- Provide opportunities for creativity, investigation of problems in depth, develop products (both digital and paper based), presentation skills, and higher order thinking skills.

All components of the gifted/talented program are evaluated annually:

- 1. Identification- 5 member placement committee is trained before placement meetings
- Staff development- K-12 staff are surveyed at the beginning of the year concerning the needs of faculty based on this data the staff receive professional development training at the beginning of the year and as needed throughout the year.
- 3. Program Options-beginning in the 18-19 school year students in the 3rd grade began pull out classes. This was adjusted in the 20-21 school year due to Covid.
- 4. Program goals/objectives are reviewed annually to meet student needs.
- 5. Curriculum is reviewed annually to meet student needs.
- Community Involvement- Gifted and Talented Coordinator informs the community
  of program options in September and posts unit activities on GT website for K12. Gifted and Talented Coordinator has a parent involvement committee that
  meets quarterly to discuss ways to improve the program.
- 7. Program Expenditures- are on file in Gifted and Talented Coordinators office/room.
- 8. Evaluation/Placement Plan is evaluated annually. Suggestions from the placement committee on ways to improve placement process are taken and evaluated to better serve the students.

## 10.04

Data for evaluation/placement

Data is collected from a variety of sources including: subjective and objective testing, creativity testing, behavioral checklist from art/music teacher, referring teacher, non-referring teacher, gifted and talented teacher, and parent.

# 10.05

Evaluation finding

Program evaluation is submitted annually by Gifted and Talented Coordinator. During the Technical Assistant Visit in 18-19 the Nemo Vista School GT Program was found to be in **compliance** in all areas. The program was not selected for a Technical Visit during the 19-20 school year.

## 10.06

Student progress

Students self-assess every nine weeks to determine individual needs. These needs are evaluated by the Gifted and Talented Coordinator and curriculum is adjusted as needed.

#### 10.07

Participation

Student's participation in the gifted program is noted on the student transcript.