

Newsletter

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Clarity

What is GIFTEDNESS?

NAGC, the National Association for Gifted Children, explains that gifted learners are, “Students with gifts and talents that perform—or have the capability to perform—at higher levels compared to others of the same age, experience, and environment in one or more domains.”

Being gifted doesn’t always mean that learners will get good grades or do well in school. While gifted learners might be high achieving, this isn’t always the case. Giftedness looks different in every learner, and it’s important to understand and appreciate those differences.

If you’d like to learn more about giftedness, please check out NAGC’s article, [What Is Giftedness](#).

Community

Take a WONDER WALK around your neighborhood. Go for a walk together and encourage your learner(s) to look around and share all of the things that they wonder. (example: I wonder what happens to the rainwater when it falls on the street. Where does it go?)

Content

During the first few weeks of school, students will become acclimated to their classroom and the gifted class. They will get to know their teachers and the other students in their class and small group. We will set learning goals for Reading/Writing and/or Math. I am excited for the year of learning ahead!

Challenge

Design an invention that would be helpful for teachers, students, or both as the new school year begins. You can sketch out your invention or build a prototype. Bring your idea to class before the end of the month to share. I’d love to see your thinking!