

Platte Canyon School District **Gifted and Talented Program Philosophy**

Every child has the basic right to an education that promotes the development of his/ her potential. Each child has a unique profile of strengths and abilities. Platte Canyon School District is committed to providing challenging learning experiences for all learners that build on their individual strengths and optimizes their abilities. Children who have been identified as gifted and talented have a potential to achieve high levels of accomplishment, and this potential needs to be recognized and addressed. These students exhibit unusual performance capabilities in intellectual, creative and/or artistic endeavors. They may also demonstrate exceptional leadership capacity and may excel in specific academic areas. In order to meet their needs and develop their abilities, this highly capable learner requires a differentiated curriculum that provides advanced learning opportunities.

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