



QUEST PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Mead School District's elementary highly capable program is designed to provide appropriate educational experiences for those students in grades four through six who perform or show the potential to perform at a remarkably high level when compared to students of similar age, experience, or environment.

Mission/Vision

Within heterogeneous, inclusive learning groups and settings, the Quest Program provides an enriched, differentiated, accelerated and rigorous standards-based curriculum that presents learning at a pace, depth, and intensity that meets students' intellectual needs while simultaneously encouraging growth of individual potential.

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Location

Midway: Portable classroom

Classes:

Grade 4 – students served for approximately 45 minutes once per week

Grades 5 and 6 – students served for approximately two hours once per week

Curriculum

Grade 4 – critical thinking, creative thinking, and group problem solving activities; instruction designed to enhance skills needed in the 5th and 6th grade Quest classes

Grades 5 and 6 – theme based integrated units enriching students in the areas of math, science and the humanities; weekly warm-ups include a short creative thinking and critical thinking activity

Class Work Make-up Policy

Students are not to be penalized for instruction time missed in the regular classroom while in Quest. They should only be required to make-up class work that is part of an on-going unit of study and some action is required so the student can keep up with the class. An example might be that a student needs to read a chapter in a novel or a selection for social studies or science, however a corresponding classroom assignment to go with the reading should not be required to be made up by the Quest student.

Student Identification/Eligibility Requirements

Once a student enters the Quest Program, no new testing is required to move from 4th to 5th to 6th grades.