2019 NYC
Gifted & Talented
Admissions Guide
For Students Born in
2013, 2012, and 2011
Entering Gifted & Talented
Programs in September 2019
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- Visit a Family Welcome Center—locations are listed on the inside back cover of this guide.

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## Visit a Family Welcome Center

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Gifted & Talented (G&T) programs are one way that New York City supports the educational needs of exceptional students. To participate in G&T admissions, schedule your child to take the G&T test. Students who get a high enough score can then apply to G&T programs.

Use this admissions guide to learn about how to apply to schedule and prepare for the G&T test, how to apply to G&T programs if your child is eligible, and what to do if you get an offer. View all of NYC’s G&T programs on one map in this guide. Then visit MySchools.nyc to learn more about them.

Stay Engaged with Admissions

schools.nyc.gov/GT
Get the latest updates, additional resources, and dates for elementary admissions events and G&T open houses.

schools.nyc.gov/Connect
Sign up for our Gifted & Talented email list to get admissions tips and key date reminders.

Schedule the G&T Test

MySchools.nyc
Explore. Choose. Apply.
Visit MySchools to explore NYC public elementary schools and schedule your child’s G&T test. Schedule the G&T test by November 9, 2018. Your child will take the test in January.

Get Help with G&T Admissions

schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters
Visit a Family Welcome Center to get in-person help with G&T admissions. Locations are listed on the inside back cover.

Admissions Questions | 718-935-2009 | ESEnrollment@schools.nyc.gov
Call or email us with questions about G&T admissions or the G&T application.

Testing Questions | 212-374-6646 | ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov
Call or email us with questions about the G&T test and test administration.
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Students Learning English  |  schools.nyc.gov/ELL
No school may deny admission, registration, or enrollment to a student based on the student’s proficiency or perceived proficiency in English.

- The NYC Department of Education provides a range of supports and services for English Language Learner (ELL) students to develop their English language skills and prepare them for success in school and beyond.
- Your child can take the G&T test in languages other than English—find out more in Section 3.4.

Special Education  |  schools.nyc.gov/SpecialEducation
Every elementary school participating in Gifted & Talented admissions is expected to welcome and serve students with disabilities in accordance with their Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).

Students with disabilities participating in G&T admissions may be eligible for testing accommodations on the G&T test—learn more in Section 3.3.

Accessibility  |  schools.nyc.gov/BuildingAccessibility
The NYC Department of Education is committed to providing students with accessibility needs with a school placement that allows the student to access all relevant programs and services. Accessible schools or programs are located in a fully accessible building or a partially accessible building where an individual with limited mobility may enter and access all relevant programs and services, including the science laboratory, library, and cafeteria, and at least one restroom is accessible.

All schools that are considered accessible are labeled as fully accessible or partially accessible in MySchools (MySchools.nyc).

For the most up-to-date information on school building accessibility, contact schools directly or visit them in person.

Students in Temporary Housing  |  schools.nyc.gov/STH
Families with students in temporary housing should test for and apply to Gifted & Talented programs even if their housing situation is uncertain.

- Students in temporary housing, as defined by The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, are not required to submit documentation (including address, proof of date of birth, and immunization records) in order to participate in an admissions process or enroll in school.
- Some students in temporary housing or with families facing extreme hardship may have needs that require special consideration in order to take the G&T test, such as changing a testing date. Learn more in Section 2.5.
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☐ Use this admissions guide to learn about Gifted & Talented (G&T) admissions.

☐ Attend an elementary admissions event near you—find locations, dates, and times at schools.nyc.gov/GT.

☐ Use MySchools (MySchools.nyc) or the paper form provided in this book to schedule your child’s G&T test by November 9, 2018. To apply for G&T programs in the spring, your child must get a qualifying score on this test.

☐ Prepare for the G&T test with your child by reviewing the practice test in this guide. Be sure to use the practice test created for students born in the same year as your child (2013, 2012, or 2011).

☐ Confirm your child’s test date and location.

  ☐ Current public school students in grades K-2: Get your child’s G&T test date from their current school in December or January.
  
  ☐ Current charter or non-public school students: Get your child’s G&T test date and location from the Department of Education in mid-December.

☐ Continue to prepare your child for the G&T test. We do not recommend formal test prep for this test, but using the practice tests in the back of this book can help your child get used to the testing experience.

☐ Current public school students in grades K-2: Your child will take the G&T test at their current school during the regular school day.

☐ Current charter or non-public school students: Your child will take the G&T test on a weekend day at a designated testing site.

☐ Get your child’s G&T score report. If your child gets an eligible score, you will also get a G&T application.

☐ Attend school tours for G&T programs—find open house information at schools.nyc.gov/GT or by contacting schools directly.

☐ Submit your G&T application.

☐ Get your G&T results.

☐ Accept or decline your child’s G&T offer. Pre-register at the school in person; bring your child and all required documents.
G&T programs are one way that New York City meets the needs of exceptional students. Students entering kindergarten through third grade can qualify to participate in G&T admissions by taking the G&T test.

If you would like to have your child tested, register them to take the G&T test. Register by scheduling the test online, in person at a Family Welcome Center, or, if applicable, through your child's current DOE public school. The deadline for scheduling the test is November 9, 2018. Students will take the test in January 2019. In April, you will get your child's G&T score report. If their score is high enough, you will also get a G&T application. Submit this application by the deadline listed on your score report. In June, you will get your child's G&T results. If these results include an offer, accept or decline that offer by pre-registering in June.

1.1 Who Can Take the G&T Test?

Your child must be a current New York City resident who is currently in pre-K through second grade. G&T admissions is open to public district and charter school students, private and parochial school students, students with disabilities, students with accessibility needs, and English Language Learners (ELL). Students with disabilities are encouraged to take the G&T Test. All G&T programs are expected to welcome and support all students in accordance with their Individualized Education Programs (IEP).

Tip: This admissions guide is designed for families with children entering first, second, or third grade in 2019. If your child will be entering kindergarten in 2019, pick up a copy of the 2019 NYC Kindergarten and Gifted & Talented Admissions Guide for Students Born in 2014.

1.2 Why Take the G&T Test?

There is no harm in having your child tested. The results of the G&T test are confidential to you and will not be shared with current or future schools—these scores are used only to determine eligibility to apply for G&T programs.

G&T programs are in very high demand. There are usually more eligible applicants than available seats in most G&T programs. Even if a child gets the highest score possible on the G&T test, placement is not guaranteed—there are more applicants with scores of 99 than seats in some G&T programs.

This table shows how many students took the G&T test, got eligible scores, applied to G&T programs, and got offers to them in 2018. Note that there are fewer available seats in the upper grades, as students typically enter a G&T program in kindergarten and remain in the program.

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1.3 Types of G&T Programs

There are two types of Gifted & Talented programs:

- **District G&T programs** give an admissions priority to students who live in a particular district. These programs are offered within district elementary schools, beginning in kindergarten and ending in fifth grade. Students in district G&T programs take G&T classes together in major subject areas but may share classes such as physical education or art with students who are not in the G&T program.
  - **Score needed to apply:** Students who get an overall score of 90 or above on the G&T test are eligible to apply to district G&T programs.

- **Citywide G&T programs** accept students from all boroughs and give no admissions priority for any district of residence. Every student in these schools is enrolled in the schoolwide G&T program.
  - **Score needed to apply:** Students who get an overall score of 97 or above on the G&T test are eligible to apply to both district and citywide G&T programs.

Tip: Learn more about admissions priorities for district and citywide G&T programs in Section 5.0.

1.4 Current G&T Students

Students currently enrolled in a G&T program do not need to test to continue attending their current G&T program. If your child is a current district G&T student, you may schedule your child to be tested for eligibility to apply to citywide G&T programs. If your child’s score does not qualify them to apply for citywide G&T programs, it will not affect their current placement; the student may remain in their district G&T program.

- Students currently attending district G&T programs are not eligible to apply to other district G&T programs.
- Students currently attending citywide G&T programs are not eligible to test for a different G&T placement.
The deadline to register your child to take the G&T test is **November 9, 2018**.

### 2.1 How to Register for the G&T Test

You can register your child to take the test one of two ways:

**Recommended!**

### Online at [MySchools.nyc](http://MySchools.nyc)

Use MySchools to register your child to take the G&T test—click on the Schedule tab to register.

- **If your child currently attends public school**, “scheduling” really means registering to take the test at their current school—if you register, your child’s school will let you know their testing date in January.

- **If your child currently attends a charter, private, or parochial school**, “scheduling” means requesting a test date and location from the options provided—we will confirm your test date and location by mid-December.

- With MySchools, you can register to take the test in English, Spanish, Chinese, Bengali, Russian, Arabic, Urdu, Haitian Creole, Korean, or French.

### In person

If you are unable to use MySchools, tear out and complete the form on the page after **Section 2.6**.

- If your child is currently enrolled in a DOE public school, bring the form to your child’s current school.

- If your child is currently enrolled in a charter, private, or parochial school, bring the form to a Family Welcome Center—find locations in the inside back cover of this book.

You cannot register for or schedule your child’s test by mail or phone. The deadline to schedule the test is **November 9, 2018**.

**Tip:**

When you register for or schedule your child’s test, check carefully that your contact information in MySchools ([MySchools.nyc](http://MySchools.nyc)) or on the paper form is up-to-date so you don’t miss any important mail during G&T admissions.

The G&T test is untimed and students work at their own pace. Students have as much time as they need in the testing room, but most families should expect to spend approximately one to two hours at the testing site.

### 2.2 Current Public School Students

If your child is currently enrolled in kindergarten through second grade in a DOE public school and you register them to take the test by the **November 9** deadline, your child’s current school will notify you of your test date by mid-December. Each elementary school chooses its own testing schedule between **January 3** and **January 18, 2019**. Your school will also provide information about what to do and expect the day of the test.
2.3 Charter School and Non-Public School Students

If your child is a current charter school or non-public school student, they will take the test on one of the following weekend dates:

![Calendar showing the weekend dates in January 2019]

When you schedule your child's test in MySchools (MySchools.nyc), you can choose one of these dates. Then you will get a confirmation for your child's test date and location in mid-December. This confirmation will include information about what to do and expect the day of the test.

2.4 Families with Multiple Children

If you have more than one child who will be testing for G&T, schedule each test separately. You are responsible for ensuring that appointments are at the same location and on the same date. If you are unable to find appointments at the same location and time, call the DOE Office of Assessment at 212-374-6646.

2.5 Students in Temporary Housing

Some students in temporary housing may have needs that require special consideration in order to take the G&T test, such as changing a testing date. If this applies to your family, call the DOE Office of Assessment at 212-374-6646.

2.6 Students Who Need to Reschedule Due to Illness

**Current Public School Students**

If your child is currently in kindergarten through second grade and is sick on the day of the G&T test, your child's school will reschedule their test for another day within the testing window. The new test date will be scheduled by the school, and it is possible that a student who is absent on the date of the test may be tested on the day they return to school without additional notification of the testing date. Absent students who return to school after the testing window will not be tested.

**Charter School Students, Non-Public School Students, and All Current Pre-K Students**

If your child is sick on the day of the test, the testing site will work with you to reschedule for a different weekend as appointments become available. Email the testing site using the email address provided on the appointment letter to reschedule. If you do not have access to email, call 212-374-6646 on the Monday after the scheduled exam and provide the name of the school where your child was scheduled to take the exam. The testing site coordinator will contact you to find a new exam date as soon as possible.
Gifted & Talented (G&T) Request for Testing Form

Request to determine eligibility to apply for G&T programs for the 2019-2020 school year
For placement in kindergarten through third grade

Only parents/guardians who are current New York City residents may request G&T testing for their child to determine eligibility to apply for placement into a Gifted & Talented (G&T) program. You must either schedule the test online or complete this paper form. Please follow the submission instructions below.

The deadline to submit this form is Friday, November 9, 2018.

Submission Instructions

Submit Online: All families are encouraged to submit the request online at: MySchools.nyc.

Submit a Paper Request: Requests submitted to the Department of Education by mail will not be accepted.

Current Public School Students in Grades Pre-K - 2 (not including charter schools, NYCEECs, and pre-K centers) must submit this form to their school by the deadline noted above. Current non-public, charter, NYCEEC and pre-K center students must submit this form by the deadline to one of the Family Welcome Centers listed in the inside back cover of this book and at schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters. If you are a current non-public, charter, or pre-K student and you cannot test during one of the first three weekends in January 2019, please contact 212-374-6646 or email ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov.

Student Information Please print clearly in blue or black ink only.

Student First Name  Student Last Name  Student Middle Initial  Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

OSIS #/Student ID # (if applicable)  Student Current Grade
☐ Not enrolled  ☐ PK  ☐ K  ☐ 1  ☐ 2  Grade in 2019-2020  Gender (optional)
☐ K  ☐ 1  ☐ 2  ☐ 3  ☐ M  ☐ F

House #  Street Name  Apartment #  Borough  ☐ Bronx  ☐ Brooklyn  ☐ Manhattan  ☐ Queens  ☐ Staten Island

State  Zip Code

Current School Status Child is currently enrolled in which of the following? (Select one only.)
☐ NYC public school (non-charter)  ☐ NYC charter school  ☐ New York City Early Education Center (NYCEEC) pre-K program
☐ Private/parochial school  ☐ Not enrolled in school

Current School Name  6-Digit DBN or School Code (if known)

Testing Services Information

In which language would you like your child to be tested? (Select one only.)
☐ English  ☐ Arabic  ☐ Bengali  ☐ French  ☐ Cantonese  ☐ Mandarin  ☐ Haitian-Creole  ☐ Korean  ☐ Russian  ☐ Spanish  ☐ Urdu

Does your child have a visual impairment that requires a large print book for assessment?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Does your child require any other testing accommodations?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Twins or Other Siblings with Same Year of Birth

Does this applicant have a sibling with the same birth year as the applicant who is also requesting testing for Gifted & Talented programs? If yes, you must submit a form for each child, and list each of these siblings below.

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Parent/Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian First Name  Parent/Guardian Last Name  Email Address

Primary Phone Number  Alternate Phone Number

I would like my child to be tested in order to determine eligibility to apply to a Gifted & Talented (G&T) program for the 2019-2020 school year. I have read the Gifted & Talented Admissions Guide and I understand the timeline, assessment, eligibility, placement and transportation criteria pertaining to the Gifted & Talented process. The information I have provided is accurate and truthful. I will use my best efforts to ensure that my child attends the assigned test administration.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ______________________  Date: ______________________
3.0 Prepare for the G&T Test

The G&T test uses two assessments to determine if a child is eligible to apply for a G&T program:

- Nonverbal test items from the Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test (NNAT)
- Verbal test items from the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (OLSAT)

Assessing children in both nonverbal and verbal tests provides a balanced look at each child's intellectual abilities. The G&T test is administered by New York State certified New York City teachers who are trained to administer both assessments. The nonverbal assessment is administered first, followed by the verbal assessment.

Practice questions are included in this handbook. Review the practice questions with your child to learn about the types of questions they may see on the test and to help prepare them for the test-taking experience. All items are presented in a multiple-choice format.

Students with certain documented visual impairments may need large print materials. You can request a large print sample test by contacting the Office of Assessment at ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov or 212-374-6646.

3.1 The Nonverbal Assessment

The nonverbal G&T assessment (NNAT) measures reasoning skills without the use of spoken language. Children perform tasks such as completing patterns, sequencing, and connecting ideas in order to demonstrate an understanding of relationships and an ability to solve problems.

There are four types of nonverbal test questions: Pattern Completion, Reasoning by Analogy, Serial Reasoning, and Spatial Visualization.

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<td>Measures the ability to visually perceive design patterns and identify the correct missing portions</td>
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<td>Reasoning by Analogy</td>
<td>Measures the ability to recognize relationships among geometric shapes</td>
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3.2 The Verbal Assessment

The verbal G&T assessment (OLSAT) measures reasoning and comprehension skills that require children to pay close attention and listen carefully to oral instructions. The assessment includes tasks such as detecting likenesses and differences, recalling words and numbers, defining words, following directions, establishing sequence, and solving arithmetic problems.

There are two types of verbal test questions: Verbal Comprehension and Verbal Reasoning.

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3.3 Testing Accommodations

Students who have Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), Individualized Education Services Programs (IESPs), or 504 Accommodation Plans may be eligible to get certain accommodations for the G&T test. Families must indicate the need for accommodations when they schedule their child's test. If a student with an IEP, IESP, or 504 Plan requires other accommodations not listed on the IEP, IESP, or 504 Plan, families must contact us at 212-374-6646 or ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov.

Families should contact students' IEP or 504 teams if they have questions or concerns about the testing accommodations listed on the IEP, IESP, or 504 Plan.

The most commonly requested testing accommodations are:

- Large print test materials for students with visual impairments;
- Frequency Modulation (FM) units for students with hearing impairments;
- Scribes for students with fine or gross motor impairments (note that responses are recorded by the test administrator for all pre-K students unless families request otherwise);
- Separate location and/or 1:1 test administration (note that all pre-K students are tested 1:1); and
- Alternate language test forms for eligible students.

Testing accommodation policies for the G&T test were created in alignment with New York State regulations and guidance. Certain testing accommodations are not provided on the G&T test either because they are unnecessary or because they change what the tests measure. Testing accommodations that are not provided include:

- **Extended time.** Both assessments are untimed, which makes requests for extended time unnecessary. All children work at their own pace, provided they actively work on completing the test.

- **Test questions or directions read more than the standard number of times.** This accommodation interferes with the assessment of receptive language skills, which the verbal assessment (OLSAT) measures. Every child who takes the OLSAT hears each question one time only. This accommodation is not necessary for the NNAT because the test is nonverbal in nature.

- **Test questions or directions explained.** This accommodation is not provided because test administrators are not permitted to change any part of the scripted test questions or directions, as they are specifically designed to assess children's reasoning and thinking abilities. This ensures test administration procedures remain consistent for all students.

If you indicate the need for testing accommodations but your child does not have an IEP or 504 Plan, we will contact you and ask you to submit a description of the needed accommodation along with documentation supporting this need. Documentation may include a note from the child's health-care provider.

3.4 Testing in Languages Other Than English

Assessments in other languages are available for public school students in kindergarten through second grade who have been identified as English Language Learners (ELL). All pre-K, charter school, and non-public school students are eligible to take the tests in other languages. The G&T test is available in English, Spanish, Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin), Bengali, Russian, Arabic, Urdu, Haitian Creole, Korean, and French.

If you are thinking about requesting alternate language testing for your child, you should carefully consider which language your child is most comfortable with, in order to demonstrate their abilities in a school setting. Once test administration with an alternate language has begun, the test administrator will use only that language to administer the test, and your child will not be able to retest in English. To request alternate language testing, you must indicate the requested language when you schedule your child's G&T test. To request a change of language once your G&T test has been scheduled, families of public school
students currently in kindergarten through second grade should contact their child's school, and families of charter school and non-public school students should contact us at 212-374-6646.

### 3.5 Test Readiness

You can help your child prepare for the G&T test by doing the following:

- Make sure your child gets a good night of sleep and eats a nutritious meal before taking the test. You can also lessen anxiety by helping to ease your child's mind about the test. Encourage them to do their best and remind them that they are not expected to know the answer to every question.

- Review the practice materials in the back of this handbook. Please note that there are three sets of materials, one for students born in 2013, one for students born in 2012, and one for students born in 2011. Also read and review the information you get regarding the test and how it is given. The practice tests included in this handbook can help you familiarize your child with the testing experience, sample test questions, and the test structure. Please note that we do not recommend formal test prep for the G&T test.

- Prepare your child for the test during everyday interactions. Using a variety of everyday vocabulary to describe the position of items, looking for patterns, discussing quantitative concepts like more and less, and imagining what an object would look like if it were turned upside-down or sideways are some activities that may help children to prepare for the kind of thinking they will need to do on test day.

Also note:

- During the test, children will hear each question on the verbal test only one time.

- Children born in 2011-2013 are responsible for bubbling in their own responses on the test. Exceptions may be made at the discretion of the test administrator.

- Children are allowed to write in their test booklets.

- All testing materials are provided—families are not required to bring pencils or anything else needed for testing to the testing site.

If in the judgment of the test administrator, principal, testing site supervisor, or the Office of Assessment a student has had prior exposure to the test or has gotten aid from another person during the test, the principal or site supervisor must follow our disciplinary procedure for cheating and invalidate the student's test. Invalidated tests are not submitted for scoring. In these instances, families will get communication from the us with further information.

### 3.6 Appeals Process for the Test Administration

We work hard to ensure that the G&T test is administered in a fair, consistent manner to all students. If, however, you feel that there was a problem with your child's test administration, you must raise that concern as an appeal to us. You may submit your appeal in one of the following ways:

- Email us at ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov

- Send a letter to: Office of Assessment, G&T Test Administration, 44-36 Vernon Boulevard, Room 202, Long Island City, NY 11101

This email or letter must be sent to us no later than five school days following your child's test date, and should include your child's name and date of birth, as well as the following:

- The date and location of the G&T test administration

- A description of the circumstance that interfered with the G&T test administration

- Your preferred method for return communication (such as your phone number and/or email address)
If after receiving your child's score report, it comes to your attention that there was a problem with your child's test administration, you may submit an appeal to us. This appeal must be submitted following the process described above no later than five school days after receiving the score report. The appeals process applies to concerns regarding test administration; however, families needing to correct the birthdate or test date used to calculate the score must also do so within five school days of receiving the score report.

After we get your appeal:

1. We will review the test documentation and investigate the concerns raised in the appeal.
2. We will contact you if further information is needed.
3. We will make our best attempts to notify you of the result of the appeal within three weeks. You will get notification of the result via the email or phone number you provide in your initial appeal.

If we determine that the circumstances of the test administration interfered with your child's ability to perform on the G&T test, you will be offered the opportunity for your child to take the test again, using different test forms of the NNAT and OLSAT. If your child retests, the scores of the first test will be canceled and will not be used for placement.

If you have any questions regarding the G&T test and test administration, email us at ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov or call us at 212-374-6646.

Tip: Additional Remedy: If you are unsatisfied with our response to your appeal, you may appeal the NYCDOE's decision to the Commissioner of the New York State Education Department as stated in New York Education Law 310. Learn how to pursue such an appeal on the Commissioner's website at counsel.nysed.gov/appeals.

3.7 Assessment Reliability and Validity

Reliability refers to the accuracy and precision of test scores, and validity refers to the extent to which the test actually measures the skills and abilities it is intended to measure.

Each test item on the verbal and nonverbal tests was statistically analyzed and evaluated for difficulty, reliability, validity, fit, and effectiveness across each age group. All of the items were rigorously reviewed by educators, measurement specialists, and psychologists to ensure that the test is of high quality and free of bias toward any subgroup, including gender and ethnic/racial subgroups. The items were also reviewed for clarity, appropriateness of content, accuracy of correct answers, plausibility of answer options, and appropriateness of vocabulary.

3.8 Assessment Scoring

The G&T test administered in 2019 is scored with the same process used for scoring in 2018. Students' eligibility is based on their scores on both sections of the G&T test (verbal and nonverbal). Each student will get an overall G&T score that combines the scores from the two tests using a multi-step process:

- Calculate raw scores for each test
- Determine percentile ranks for each test, based on age and national norms
- Convert percentile ranks for each assessment to normal curve equivalents (NCEs)
- Calculate the average of the NCEs and convert the combination into the overall G&T score

A raw score is the total number of questions answered correctly on each test. The highest possible raw score for the verbal test is 30 (out of 30 items). The highest possible raw score for the nonverbal test is 48 (out of 48 items).
Percentile ranks are numbers between 1 and 99 that represent how a student performed on each test, compared to their similarly-aged peers. Percentile ranks for each test are determined based on students’ raw scores and their age at the time of testing. Score reports show a percentile rank for each test.

The overall G&T score is a combination of the scores on the two tests arrived at through the conversion process reflected in graphic below. The overall G&T score is between 1 and 99 and is used to determine eligibility.

Learn more about the G&T test scoring process at: www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/learning/testing/gifted-and-talented-testing.

4.0 Get Your G&T Score Report

After your child takes the G&T test, you will get their score report by mail, as well as by email if you scheduled the test through MySchools (MySchools.nyc). Provide your current email address and complete contact information in MySchools or on your paper form to avoid delays in receiving your child's score report.

4.1 Results

All students who take the G&T test will get a score report.

- If your child gets an overall G&T score of 90 or above, they will also get a G&T application—this means they are eligible to apply for placement at G&T programs.
- If your child gets an overall G&T score of 89 or below, they are not eligible to apply for placement at G&T programs. However, they will still be guaranteed a seat in a DOE public elementary school. It is likely that you have a zoned school where your child has priority to attend—call 311 or visit MySchools (MySchools.nyc) to learn about other school options and find your zoned school.

Tip:
If you have questions about interpreting your child's score report, call the DOE Office of Assessment at 212-374-6646 or email us at ServiceCenter@schools.nyc.gov.
4.2 Eligibility

If your child has an eligible G&T score, they can apply to G&T programs. However, the two types of G&T programs have different eligible G&T scores.

- **Eligibility for district G&T programs:** Your child must get an overall G&T score of 90 or above.
- **Eligibility for citywide G&T programs:** Your child must get an overall G&T score of 97 or above. Students with a G&T score between 90 and 96 can apply to district but not citywide G&T programs.

To be eligible for placement in any G&T programs, your child must be living in New York City throughout the G&T admissions process, from the time you schedule their test to the time they get a G&T offer.

**Tip:**
If an eligible student does not get or accept a G&T offer for the 2019-2020 school year and wishes to apply in a future year, they must retest for eligibility.

5.0 Apply to G&T Programs

5.1 G&T Application

If your child is eligible to apply for G&T placement, you will get a G&T application and a list of G&T program options along with your score report in April.

See the **G&T Program Map** in this guide to see which schools offered G&T programs during the 2018-2019 school year. Programs may open or change from year to year. The final list of program options for the 2019-2020 school year will be provided to eligible students with their G&T application.

On your G&T application, add the G&T programs that interest you, and place them in your true order of preference. Submit your G&T application in April. The order you place programs on the application is used if your child would be eligible for offers from more than one program. In such cases, your child would only get an offer to the program you placed higher on the application.

5.2 Admissions Priorities for G&T Programs

Admissions priorities determine the order in which applicants are considered for G&T offers. Learn about your child’s admissions priorities to attend particular G&T programs in **Sections 5.3-5.5**. If anything happens that might affect your child’s priority to a program, email **ESEnrollment@schools.nyc.gov** right away. Your child’s priority to the programs listed on your application might change if:

- Their sibling is accepted to a G&T program, or
- Your family moves to a different district.
5.3 Sibling Priority for G&T Programs

If your child applies to a G&T program at a school where their sibling is currently enrolled, they have an admissions priority to attend that program, too. In order for your child to get sibling priority, their sibling must be pre-registered or enrolled at the school or a District 75 program in the same building and be entering a grade between kindergarten and grade 12 in September 2019. Get sibling priority by providing the sibling’s information in the “Siblings” section of the G&T application. If your first choice is for your child to attend the G&T program at their sibling's school, add the sibling's school as your first choice on the G&T application.

Families with siblings applying at the same time must submit a separate application for each child. Each sibling is treated as an individual applicant. However, twins and other multiples have a unique priority—they will be placed together in the same G&T program if each child is eligible for it.

- The twin who scores higher on the G&T test is considered for placement through the process described in Sections 5.4 and 5.5.
- If the twin who scores lower on the assessment is eligible for placement at the same program, the twins are offered placement together whenever possible.

5.4 Admissions Priorities for District G&T Programs

District G&T programs give first priority to sibling applicants who get an overall G&T score of 90 or above. After all eligible siblings are placed, non-sibling applicants are placed by overall G&T score. Eligible students may apply to any program in any district across the city, but applicants with district priority to a given program will get priority. The following figure shows the order in which applicants are considered for district G&T programs. When there are multiple students with the same priority and score, offers are randomly assigned:

Each eligible applicant has priority for one or more district programs based on the district where they are zoned for elementary school. In general, families have priority for district programs in their zoned district. However, in some cases, such as when a district does not offer a G&T program, applicants may have a priority for one or more program options in neighboring districts. Children who are zoned to or currently attend a school with a G&T program do not have any additional priority to that school over other students in the district.
5.5 Admissions Priorities for Citywide Programs

Citywide G&T programs accept students from all boroughs without preference for their district of residence. The following figure shows the order in which applicants are placed in citywide G&T programs. When there are multiple students with the same priority and score, offers are randomly assigned.

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Siblings who get an overall G&T score of 97 or above are placed first according to their overall G&T score. After all eligible siblings are placed, non-sibling applicants are placed by overall G&T score.

5.6 Diversity in Admissions

Elementary schools across the city are participating in an effort to increase diversity in G&T programs by giving admissions priorities to students who qualify for free and reduced lunch (FRL), students in temporary housing, English Language Learners, and other groups. The current list of G&T programs participating in diversity pilots is available on our website—learn more at schools.nyc.gov/DiversityAdmissions.

6.0 Get Your G&T Results

If you submitted a G&T application, you will get your G&T results in June 2019. These results may or may not include an offer for your child to attend a G&T program.

6.1 G&T Offers

Students will only get offers to G&T programs with available seats. There is no guarantee that a student will get an offer to a G&T program, regardless of their G&T test score. The number of eligible students typically exceeds the number of seats available.

Accept or decline your G&T offer if your child gets one. Pre-register at the school and bring your child. Your results letter will tell you what to bring when you pre-register. The deadline to accept offers will be in June 2019.

6.2 Grade-Level Placement

A child’s date of birth determines grade placement for students born in 2013 and 2014. Students born in 2014 are eligible for kindergarten placement only. Students born in 2013 are eligible for first grade placement only. Students born before 2013 are placed based on the last grade they completed.
6.3 Waitlist G&T Offers

In some cases, G&T programs may have seats that become available after offers are sent to families in June. Applicants who do not get an offer from their first-choice program will be added to the waitlists of all the programs they listed higher on their application than the program where they got an offer (or of all the programs they applied to if they got no offers). Offers from the waitlist are made based on the same admissions priorities as the initial offers—learn more in Section 5.0. Schools will contact waitlisted families directly if they are able to offer them a seat; no additional action is required of families at this point in the placement process.

6.4 If You Don't Get a G&T Offer

If your child does not get an offer to a G&T program and will be starting kindergarten, first grade, or second grade in the 2019-2020 school year, they can take the G&T test again next year. Section 2.0 provides information on scheduling G&T test appointments for students in kindergarten through second grade at public and non-public schools.

If your child got an eligible G&T score this year but declined or did not get an offer, they must take the G&T test again and get an eligible score any year they wish to apply to G&T programs.

Students starting third grade in the 2019-2020 school year cannot test again to apply to elementary school G&T programs.

Tip:
**G&T PROGRAM MAP**

Below is a list of schools with G&T programs from the 2018-2019 school year. Please note that not all of these schools may have G&T programs in the 2019-2020 school year and that some districts may offer new G&T programs. A complete list of programs available to eligible children will be included with the G&T application. Learn more about these programs at [MySchools.nyc](https://www.myschools.nyc).

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* This school has a Citywide G&T program.
Gifted & Talented Assessment Program (GTAP) Practice Test Directions For Administering 2018—2019

For students born in 2013
Part 1

Nonverbal Practice Test

Directions For Administering
Specific Directions for Administering

Beginning the Practice Test

1. Ensure the following:
   a. The desk or table is cleared of books and other materials not related to the practice test.
   b. Your child is comfortably seated.
   c. Your child has two No. 2 soft-lead pencils with erasers.

2. Hand your child the New York City Gifted and Talented practice test.

3. Read the following boldface instructions exactly as they are written. If necessary, you may supplement the directions with your own explanations. The text that is not bold is further instruction for you and should not be read aloud.

4. For your convenience, correct responses to the questions are printed at the back of these directions.

Administering the Nonverbal Practice Test:

Say **Open your test booklet to page 1 and look at the pictures.**

Hold up the test booklet with the first pages visible.

Say **Look at what the boy is doing.**

Give your child about 10–15 seconds to look at the pictorial direction.

Say **He is looking for the answer.**

Answer any questions about what the boy is doing.

Say **Number 2 is the answer because it is a blue square. He is filling in the circle under that answer.**

Point to the answer location.
In this booklet there are some questions to answer. Look at each one carefully and find the missing piece that belongs in the box with the question mark. Do not spend too much time on any one picture. Do as many as you can. If you want to change your answer, erase the mark you made and fill in the circle for your new answer. When you come to the “Stop” sign, do not go any further. Are there any questions?

Answer all questions.

You may begin.

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**Say**

Now we are going to do some interesting activities that are like puzzles. Leave your booklet closed until I tell you what to do.

**Say**

Open your booklet to the first page of the next part of the test. Now look at the first row, where you see a little chair at the beginning of the row. Put your finger on the chair.

Make sure that your child has opened the booklet correctly and has the first page of the verbal practice test showing.

**Say**

1. When pictures go across the page like this, we say they are in a row.

Demonstrate by moving your finger across the page from left to right.

**Say**

Be sure you can see the answer spaces. Look at the building blocks next to the little chair. Find the number that is right below a heart. In the next part of the row, mark under that number.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

**Say**

What number is right below a heart?

Pause for reply.

**Say**

Yes, the number 2 is the only number that is right below a heart. The number 3 is next to a heart but it is not under one. The number 5 is above a heart, and the number 6 is next to a heart. Do you understand why the number 2 is the correct answer? Tell me if you do not understand what we just did.

Answer any questions. Then go on to question 2.

**Say**

2. Put your finger under the next row, where you see the scissors. Mark the space under the picture that shows this: A girl is sitting between a dog and a cat and watching a TV show. A lamp is in back of the TV.

Pause while your child marks the answer.
Say Did you mark under the first picture? The first picture is the only one that shows a girl between a cat and a dog, with a lamp behind the TV.

Answer any questions. Explain further, if necessary.

Say 3 Now put your finger on the next row, the one with the rainbow. Look at the box next to the rainbow. The box has circles and letters in it. In the next part of the row, mark under the letter that is inside both circles.

Pause.

Say Which space did you mark?

Pause for reply.

Say Yes, the third answer is the correct one, isn’t it? Only the letter C is inside both circles. The letters B and D are each inside only one circle, and the letter A is outside both circles. If you marked the space under a different letter, erase your mark and mark the space under the letter C. Are there any questions?

Answer any questions your child may have.

Say 4 Now move your finger to the last row, the one with the kite. Mark under the box where there is a triangle next to a square that has a circle inside it.

Pause while your child marks the answers.

Say Did you mark the first answer? It is the only one that has a triangle next to a square that has a circle inside it. Do you understand why the other answers are wrong?

Make sure that your child understands question 4.

Say Now turn the page. You should see a little table at the beginning of the first row.

Make sure your child is looking at page 2 of the verbal practice test.

Say 5 Listen. Peter ate the two slices of pizza you see at the beginning of the row. David ate exactly as many slices as Peter. In the next part of the row, mark under the picture that shows how many slices of pizza David ate.

Pause.
Did you mark under the second answer, two slices of pizza? Peter ate two slices, and if David ate exactly as many, then he ate two slices. Do you understand?

Explain further, if necessary.

Now move your finger to the last row, where you see the egg. Mark under the picture that shows this: In a store window, there are two things to wear and one thing to play with.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Which picture did you mark?

Pause for reply.

Yes, the fourth picture is the only one that shows two things to wear and one thing to play with. Do you understand why the fourth picture is the correct answer?

Make sure that your child understands question 6.

That is all we will do now. Put your pencil down. In a few days, you will be doing some more problems like these. They will seem familiar to you, because you will remember how they work. Close your booklet so that the front cover is on top.

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## List of Correct Responses

### Nonverbal Practice Test

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Nonverbal Practice Test
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Administering the Nonverbal Practice Test:

Say **Open your test booklet to page 1 and look at the pictures.**
Hold up the test booklet with the first pages visible.

Say **Look at what the boy is doing.**
Give your child about 10–15 seconds to look at the pictorial direction.

Say **He is looking for the answer.**
Answer any questions about what the boy is doing.

Say **Number 2 is the answer because it is a blue square. He is filling in the circle under that answer.**
Point to the answer location.
In this booklet there are some questions to answer. Look at each one carefully and find the missing piece that belongs in the box with the question mark. Do not spend too much time on any one picture. Do as many as you can. If you want to change your answer, erase the mark you made and fill in the circle for your new answer. When you come to the “Stop” sign, do not go any further. Are there any questions?

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Make sure that your child has opened the booklet correctly and has the first page of the verbal practice test showing.

Say **When pictures go across the page like this, we say they are in a row.**

Demonstrate by moving your finger across the page from left to right.

Say **Listen. Philip found the shells you see in the box at the beginning of the row. He gave half of the shells to his friend, Jeffrey. In the next part of the row, mark under the picture that shows how many shells Philip has left.**

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Say **Which space did you mark?**

Pause for reply.

Say **Yes, the last answer is the correct one, isn’t it? If Philip had eight shells and gave half of them to his friend, then he would have four shells left. Do you understand why Philip would have four shells left?**

Answer any questions.

Say **If you did not mark the space under the last picture, erase your mark and mark the space under the last picture.**

Pause for your child to erase and mark the answer correctly.
2 Move your finger to the next row, where you see the hammer. Be sure you can see the answer spaces. Listen: All white circles are *serks*. All shaded circles are *kols*. All dotted circles are *dibs*. Mark under the picture that shows *serks* and *dibs* but no *kols*. Listen again. All white circles are *serks*. All shaded circles are *kols*. All dotted circles are *dibs*. Mark under the picture that shows *serks* and *dibs* but no *kols*.

Pause for your child to mark the answer.

Say You should have marked under the second picture. *Kols* are the shaded circles, and there are no shaded circles in the second picture. Do you see why the second answer is correct?

Answer any questions, explaining further, if necessary. Then go on to number 3.

Say

3 Now put your finger on the row with the book. Look at the shapes in the squares at the beginning of the row. Listen to what happens. Each shape moves to the corner square closest to it. In the next part of the row, mark under the picture that shows how the shapes look now.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Say Which space did you mark?

Pause for reply.

Say Yes, you should have marked the answer space under the third picture. The third picture is the only one that shows each shape moved to the nearest corner square. Are there any questions?

Answer any questions your child may have.

Say

4 Move down to the last row. You should see a little cup at the beginning of the row. Put your finger on that row. Mark under the group of shapes where all four shapes are different.

Pause while your child marks the answers.

Say Which space did you mark?

Pause for reply.
Yes, you should have marked the space under the fourth picture, because it is the only group in which the four shapes are all different. Do you understand why the fourth picture is correct?

Answer any questions.

If you did not mark the answer space under the fourth picture, erase your mark and mark the answer space under the fourth picture.

Pause for your child to erase and mark the answer correctly.

Now turn the page. Put your finger on the first row where you see the little egg. Listen. Amanda has five kittens. Only two of the kittens are gray. Mark under the picture that shows all of Amanda's kittens.

Pause.

Which picture did you mark?

Pause for reply.

Yes, the first picture is correct, isn't it? It is the only picture that shows two gray kittens in a group of five kittens. The other pictures show the wrong number of kittens or too many gray kittens. Do you understand why the first answer is the correct one?

Answer any questions, explaining further, if necessary.

Now move your marker to the last row, the one with the turtle. Mark under the picture that shows this: The biggest truck is first in line, and the smallest truck is in the middle.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Which picture did you mark?

Pause for reply.

Yes, the second answer is the only one with the biggest truck at the front of the line and the smallest truck in the middle. The other pictures show the biggest truck in the wrong place or the smallest truck in the wrong place. Do you have any questions?
Answer any questions, making sure your child understands why the second answer is correct.

Say

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Open your booklet to the first page of the next part of the test.

Make sure that your child has opened the booklet correctly and has the first page of the verbal practice test showing.

Say

1 **Find the group of pictures at the top of the page by the number 1. When pictures go across the page like this, we say they are in a row.**

Demonstrate by moving your finger across the page from left to right.

Say **Now look at question 1. The picture at the beginning of the row shows Gloria and her friends. They have just enough crackers to have two each. In the next part of the row, mark under the picture that shows how many crackers they have all together.**

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Say **Which space did you mark?**

Pause for reply.

Say **Yes, you should have marked the space under the third picture. For Gloria and her friends to have two crackers each, there would need to be eight crackers. You can see that the arithmetic isn’t hard. You just need to listen carefully. Do you have any questions?**

Answer all questions. Then go to number 2.
2 Now go to question 2. Look at the letters in the box at the beginning of the row. Listen to this rule. An X stands for an A, and a C stands for an M. In the next part of the row, mark under the letters that stand for an A and an M. Listen again. An X stands for an A, and a C stands for an M. In the next part of the row, mark under the letters that stand for an A and an M.

Pause for your child to mark the answer.

Say Which space did you mark?

Pause for reply.

Say You should have marked the answer space under the second set of letters. Since an X stands for an A, we know that the letter X should go first. And a C stands for an M, so the letter C is next. Do you have any questions about what we just did?

Answer any questions your child may have.

Say

3 Now look at question 3. Listen. Liz and Matt’s lunches are shown in the picture at the beginning of the row. Then Liz ate half of her sandwich and drank all of her juice. Matt only ate his apple. In the next part of the row, mark under the picture that shows Liz and Matt’s lunches now.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Say Have you found the answer?

Pause for reply.

Say The second picture is the right answer, isn’t it? The second picture shows one lunch with half of the sandwich and all of the juice gone and the other lunch with only the apple gone. If you marked a different answer, erase your mark and fill in the space under the second picture.

Pause for your child to erase and mark the answer correctly.

Say

4 Look at question 4. Look at the letters in the boxes at the beginning of the row. Listen to what happens. The M moves to where the G is. The J moves to where the F is. The G, the F, and the B drop out. In the next part of the row, mark under the picture that shows how the letters look now. Listen again to what happens. The M moves to where the G is. The J moves to where the F is. The G, the F, and the B drop out. Mark under your answer.
Pause while your child marks the answers.

Say  **Which space did you mark?**

Pause for reply.

Say  **Yes, the third answer is the correct one. You can see that the M has moved to where the G was, the J has moved to where the F was, and the G, F, and B have dropped out. The other answers are wrong because the M and the J are in the wrong places or there are letters in the boxes that should have dropped out. Are there any questions?**

Answer any questions.

Say  **Now turn the page. Look at question 5 at the top of the page.**

Say  **5**

Look at the three arrows at the beginning of the row. The straight arrow means stand. The curved arrow means sit. The broken arrow means jump. In the next part of the row, mark under the group of arrows that means sit, stand, jump, stand.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Say  **Which space did you mark?**

Pause for response.

Say  **That’s right, the first answer is the correct one. It is the only answer with a group of arrows that means sit, stand, jump, stand. Did you mark the first answer?**

Explain question 5 further, if necessary.

Say  **6**

Look at the last row. Mark under the picture that shows this: Two tall children wearing hats are behind three short children without hats.

Pause while your child marks the answer.

Say  **Which space did you mark?**

Pause for response.

Say  **Yes, the fourth answer is the correct one. It is the only picture with two tall children wearing hats standing behind three short children without hats. Do you understand?**
Make sure that your child understands question 6.

Say

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1230 Zerega Avenue, Room 24, Bronx, NY 10462 | **Districts Served:** 8, 11, 12

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415 89th Street, 5th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11209 | **Districts Served:** 20, 21  
1665 St. Marks Avenue, Room 116, Brooklyn, NY 11233 | **Districts Served:** 19, 23, 32  
29 Fort Greene Place (BS12), Brooklyn, NY 11217 | **Districts Served:** 13, 14, 15, 16  
1780 Ocean Avenue, 3rd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11230 | **Districts Served:** 17, 18, 22

**Manhattan Family Welcome Centers**

166 Essex Street New York, NY 10002 | **District Served:** 1  
333 Seventh Avenue, 12th Floor; Room 1211, New York, NY 10001 | **Districts Served:** 1, 2, 4  
388 West 125th Street, 7th Floor; Room 713, New York, NY 10027 | **Districts Served:** 3, 5, 6

**Queens Family Welcome Centers**

28-11 Queens Plaza North, 3rd Floor, Long Island City, NY 11101 | **Districts Served:** 24, 30  
30-48 Linden Place, 2nd Floor, Flushing, NY 11354 | **Districts Served:** 25, 26  
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Staten Island, NY 10301 | **District Served:** 31
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