## **GATE Participation Criteria**

In order to be eligible for GATE services and programs, a student will need to achieve a score of 131 or higher on the Otis Lennon School Ability Test (OLSAT). This is a group administered test. The OLSAT is administered at the end of March to all 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students, new to district students recommended by teachers and students who scored 121 or above on previous OLSAT. Parent Request for re test will be honored; however a student may only be re tested on the OLSAT two additional times.

## GATE Appeals Process Appeals will be considered in the fall of new school year

- 1. Parents must submit a written request for their child to be considered for an appeal. Written request must be submitted to the Assistant Principals of their child's school by the first of October. Letters will be forward to the Director of Curriculum.
- 2. The GATE Identification Committee will review all request for appeals and arrange for an individually administered test when appropriate. The student must have scored at least 125 on the OLSAT or a similar school ability test.
- 3. Testing will take place in October and November. Parents and school will be notified of the results of the appeal after all testing has been completed.