



REACH GIFTED SERVICES
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Elementary Cluster Program

Cluster Grouping: Full-time Services for our Gifted Students

What is Clustering?

Groups of 5-8 gifted identified students are placed in a mixed ability classroom with a teacher who has training, or is receiving training, in working with gifted students.

Why do we Cluster?

- ❖ Teachers can more easily make accommodations for this group.
- ❖ Grouping allows an opportunity for the REACH teacher to work directly with the cluster classroom teacher and the students.
- ❖ Grouping gives the students an opportunity to be with others who think the same way they do. They are more likely to choose challenges when others also participate.
- ❖ Students are gifted all week long, not just an hour or two a week.

How will the curriculum be differentiated for the REACH students?

- ❖ Compacting/Extension projects
- ❖ Tiered lessons
- ❖ Greater breadth and depth of subject matter while addressing the Arizona State Standards
- ❖ Some acceleration of content

What are some other benefits of this program?

- ❖ All students in the classroom receive instruction at the appropriate level of challenge
- ❖ Students are able to work in various groupings, dependent on their needs and the learning objectives
- ❖ Students learn to become more self-directed

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