



LEARNING SERVICES

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Dear Parents,

In planning for appropriate language arts placement in the middle school, all Quest students and others recommended by parents or 6th grade teachers have the opportunity to take the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT). The CogAT appraises general abstract reasoning abilities and a student's capacity to apply these abilities to verbal cognitive tasks. The result from this test is just ONE piece of data that is used to determine how to best meet the educational needs of your child.

One testing session is involved, about an hour long. Testing will occur the week of March 22 on the weekday the Quest teacher is assigned to the building. For that specific day in each building check the District's Quest link or call your child's school office. If you wish for your child to participate in this testing procedure, please sign and return the bottom portion of this letter to your child's classroom teacher by **Friday, March 12**. The CogAT will be hand scored, with results attached to your child's report card and sent home with him/her in June. Please feel free to contact Jeanne Sciuto or Connie Voight if you have further questions about this testing opportunity.

Sincerely,

Millie Hill
Elementary Highly Capable Program Director

Jeanne Sciuto (jsciuto@mead.k12.wa.us) - Colbert, Meadow Ridge, Midway, and Shiloh Hills
Connie Voight (cvoight @mead.k12.wa.us) - Brentwood, Evergreen, Farwell, and Prairie View
Elementary Highly Capable Specialists

Seventh Grade Honors English Testing Permission Slip

Child's Legal Name _____ School _____
(Print clearly)

Nickname _____ Classroom Teacher _____
(If applicable)

_____ I give permission for my child to take the Cognitive Abilities Test.

Parent Signature

Date

