



# Valley Middle School

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Dear Parents:

All school district in Ohio are required to identify and report to the Ohio Department of Education student who may be gifted. "Gifted" means a student who performs or shows potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared to others of their age, experience, or environment.

In addition, Valley Middle School may use this data for other educational purposes within the general curriculum.

The following area will be assess:

Valley Middle School Gifted Education Identification Assessments		
Assessment	Identification Type	Categories
<b>In View</b>	<b>Superior Cognitive</b>	Sequences
Students who are gifted in superior cognitive ability demonstrate or show potential to demonstrate remarkably high levels in problem solving, abstract thinking, reasoning, memory or comprehension. These students acquire skills at a faster rate, with more depth and greater complexity, than other students. To qualify a student must score at least 126 on the In View assessment. This test will be administered every two years.		Analogies
		Qualitative Reasoning
		Verbal Reasoning–Words
		Verbal Reasoning–Context
<b>Terra Nova</b>	<b>Specific Academic</b>	Reading/Language Arts
Student who are gifted in Specific Academic Ability demonstrate or show potential to demonstrate remarkably high levels in one or more content areas of math, science, social studies, reading and/or writing. These students acquire skills in these academic fields at a faster rate, with more depth and greater complexity, than other students. To qualify a student must score at or above the 95 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		Math
		Science
		Social Studies

For more information regarding the above test, please contact Jeff Rase at Valley Middle School.