## Gifted and Talented Parent Referral for 2023-24 testing open until October 31, 2023!

Students can be referred for Gifted and Talented testing at any point during the year. We test once a year so if a referral is made after the testing window, then the student will be on the list to test the following school year.

Odyssey Academy will accept referrals for testing during this school year, through **October 31, 2023**. See the link below to refer your child for testing.

## STATE GOAL FOR SERVICES FOR GIFTED/TALENTED STUDENTS

Students who participate in services designed for gifted/talented students will demonstrate skills in self-directed learning, thinking, research, and communication as evidenced by the development of innovative products and performances that reflect individuality and creativity and are advanced in relation to students of similar age, experience, or environment. High school graduates who have participated in services for gifted/talented students will have produced products and performances of professional quality as part of their program services.

The Gifted and Talented program is designed for students who exhibit intellectual and creative thinking abilities at an extraordinary level not normally served in the regular classroom. Services are provided only upon identification of educational needs of the student.

All kindergarten students are automatically <u>considered</u> for further gifted and talented testing per direction of the state of Texas.

 Kindergarten students will be screened in the classroom during September and October. Students who qualify for further testing will be tested once the parent/guardian is contacted and consent is received.

If you would like to refer your child for Gifted & Talented testing, please click on the link below. The link will include:

- Parent/guardian permission for Gifted & Talented testing
- Parent questionnaire which will be used as one of many pieces of data for the identification process.

Parent Referral, Consent and Questionnaire for GT Testing

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