

What is the Process?

Thank you for your interest in the OCDSB Gifted Specialized Program at Bell High School. In order to serve you in this process, here is a brief overview of the initial documents and information that are part of the application process:

- Your child's full name and DOB
- Your current home address, contact numbers and email
- Your child's home school in the OCDSB
- **If your child is currently in an OCDSB Congregated Gifted program, then the completion of the Course Contract is the only other thing that needs to be completed**
- If your child is not currently attending an congregated Gifted program with an OCDSB school, then you will need to submit the following:
 - A completed OCDSB Gifted Referral Form - note that this must be completed and submitted with the student's application package. It will then be reviewed by our school psychologist (see attached)
 - A copy of a psychological report or the results from one or both of the following cognitive tests: CCAT, WISC (must be completed within 2 years and 11 months from the date of your application)
 - Any testing that is older than this, should either be updated with new testing OR an addendum must be submitted that recommends that the student would be best served by being in a secondary congregated Gifted classroom.
- ***Please note that effective September 2017, the CCAT7 will be the required version.***

This information can be dropped off at our main office or sent in an attachment to my attention via email or fax. Once we have the results from your child's testing, they will be measured against the OCDSB criteria for Giftedness. Our school team will then make a determination regarding admission to our congregated program. The committee will begin reviewing applications in January 2018 and meets monthly throughout the winter and spring.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of us by email.

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