



PARENT APPLICATION FOR POSSIBLE PLACEMENT IN
GARLAND ISD GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM

Secondary Grades

Directions: Please complete all of this nomination form and return it to Austin Academy by January 23, 2009.

The middle school GT Academy is:

Austin Academy (grades 6–8; parents and student may live in any part of Garland ISD.)

1125 Beverly Drive, Garland, Texas 75040

Date of Nomination _____

Student nominated by: _____ Parent _____ Teacher _____ Other

Student's Name _____
Last First

Date of Birth _____ Ethnicity _____

Present School _____ Current Grade _____ Teacher _____

School Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

School Telephone Number () _____ Fax () _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Mapsco _____

Home Phone () _____ Email _____

Father's Business Phone() _____ Mother's Business Phone () _____

Please complete the following, if applicable:

I have another child already attending _____ Academy for Excellence.

Please check the area you are nominating your child for:

_____ Vocal and/or _____ Instrumental Name of Instrument _____

If you are interested in having your child nominated as musically talented to participate in enriched music classes after being accepted, please review the following characteristics and decide if these apply to your child:

Characteristics for Music Ability (Circle all that apply.)

- A. Consistently sings/plays in tune.
- B. Plays one or more instruments and plays well.
- C. Displays accurate sense of rhythmical responses.
- D. Maintains a secure melodic line, harmony part and may have perfect pitch.
- E. Composes original lyrics or instrumental pieces.
- F. Responds with enjoyment to diversified musical activities.
- G. Performs with feeling and musicality.
- H. Shows advanced ability to read music notations and symbolism.
- I. Practices music for extensive periods of time.
- J. Communicates a personal and creative statement through musical performances.

Students nominated for possible placement in an academy for excellence will receive an audition appointment with a three member teacher selection committee. **You will be notified of the date, time and location of audition. Parents or students must furnish transportation to audition site.** The child should come to this audition:

1. Ready to perform two prepared vocal or instrumental pieces. (Student may use music and taped accompaniments are permissible.)
2. With a resumé of performance and awards if applicable.
3. With a letter of recommendation from the student's (prior or current) private music teacher or choir director if applicable.
4. With 3 copies of the music that will be performed.

Why do you think your child needs to participate in the Gifted and Talented Music Program?

I understand that my child is being considered for possible placement in the musically talented component of the Garland ISD Gifted and Talented Program. If my child is ill on or before the audition date, I will notify the Austin Academy principal or GHS principal and request another time during the next regularly scheduled audition session for students not in the Gifted and Talented Program.

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____