Middle School Program Overview:
The middle school “GMP” is a full-day Gifted and Talented Magnet Program for grades 6-8. The middle school philosophy focuses on educating the whole child through rich, in-depth curriculum centered on year-long themes, project based instruction, experiential learning, and a wide variety of exploratory classes and academic competitions.

Our curriculum is interdisciplinary and is built around year-long themes. The curriculum is highly rigorous, exceeds state content standards, and requires depth and complexity of thought. Differentiated instruction ensures that students meet teachers’ high expectations and have opportunities for content acceleration. Teachers can meet individual student's needs through specific instruction due to program flexibility. We encourage interest development and independent study in areas of passion. Students have unique opportunities for experiential learning through activities such as field trips, team building, guest speakers, Socratic seminars, and debates. Finally, students are encouraged to try all exploratory classes offered and to participate in athletics, intramurals, clubs, and competitions such as Battle of the Books, Drama Club, Future Problem Solving, Science Fair, Science Olympiad, Math Counts, History Day, Lego League, Geography Bee, MESA, and Solar Energy Challenge.

2020 Dates & Deadlines for Middle School GMP Application Process:

Parent Information Nights
January 22, 2020  West Middle School  6:00 - 7:00 pm
January 30, 2020  Sabin Middle School  6:00 - 7:00 pm

Shadowing is available during the month of February, 2020 for interested students at both middle schools by scheduling an appointment with the Gifted Resource Teacher (GRT) at each school site.

Sabin – Becky Marsh  Rebecca.Marsh@d11.org  (719)328-7075
West – Beth Graber  Elizabeth.Graber@d11.org  (719)328-4926

Applications due:  March 6, 2020
Applications turned in after the deadline will still be considered if space is available.

Applications are now available at http://www.D11.org/GMP on the Gifted and Talented GMP page, at the District 11 Administration Building, and at Gifted Magnet Program sites. Space in the program is limited and priority is given to students who have a formal gifted identification and who meet the application deadline. Please apply early as applications are dated as they are received. Official outcome letters will be sent to the address on the application after the GT Program Specialist and the application committee review submissions.

Please contact the D11 Gifted Programs Specialist, Mark Hess mark.hess@D11.org (719)520-2261, for questions regarding the application process.