



# Gifted and Talented Referral and Assessment 2009-2010

PACE provides services for academically gifted and/or talented students in grades K-12 who have demonstrated the need for advanced, differentiated instruction.

The Plano I.S.D. conducts open, rolling referral, meaning that any student may be referred at any time during the school year, however, we have specific assessment windows. In elementary, K students are assessed in October and November and 1-5 students are assessed only in the second semester. Students in grades six through eight are assessed in either the fall or the spring semesters; students in grades nine through twelve should see the campus PACE teacher or their sub-school principal for referral information. Students may be referred for the gifted program by teachers, parents, principals, counselors, or by the students themselves. Students are assessed at their home campus during the regular school day.

Referral packets need to be completed and returned to the gifted specialist at your child's school by the appropriate deadline listed below.

## ELEMENTARY REFERRAL DEADLINES FOR 2009-2010\*

<b>Kindergarten</b> (assessed in October/November)	<b>OCTOBER 21, 2009</b>
<b>Grades 1-5</b> (assessed in March / April)	<b>FEBRUARY 19, 2010</b>

## MIDDLE SCHOOL REFERRAL DEADLINES

<b>First Semester Assessment</b>	<b>Second Semester Assessment</b>
<b>October 21, 2009</b>	<b>April 1, 2010</b>

## HIGH SCHOOL REFERRAL DEADLINE

<b>First Semester Assessment (only)</b>
<b>September 11, 2009</b>

\* Dates may be subject to change.

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