

## Elementary PACE Referral Information 2023-2024

PACE provides services for students who require academically gifted enrichment services and have demonstrated the need for advanced, differentiated instruction. PACE at the elementary level is a weekly pull out program in which students are removed from the general education classroom to work under the guidance of a gifted specialist. The time spent in the PACE program will vary according to the grade level of the student. For more detailed information about the PACE program, please refer to the following link:

<https://www.pisd.edu/giftededucation>

Students in K-5 are assessed in **the first semester (fall) to determine placement in the second semester**. District-wide CogAT tests administered to first, third and fifth grade students are part of the data used to determine the need for gifted services for these three grades. All other grades will be administered the district approved battery of PACE assessments in the fall.

Students may be referred for gifted services by teachers, parents, principals, counselors, or by the students themselves. Students are assessed at their home campus during the school day.

Referrals must be completed by the appropriate deadline listed below.

### ELEMENTARY REFERRAL DEADLINES for PACE ASSESSMENT

**K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade referrals are *due October 20, 2023*. (5:00 PM)**

**Students new to Plano who received gifted services in a previous district should contact the campus gifted specialist to submit assessment scores from your previous school for review and consideration.**

Students may only test once a year.

For more detailed information about the PACE program, please refer to the link below. **Online referral forms** will be available at this site at the beginning of each school year. If you prefer a hard copy, please contact the campus gifted specialist. <https://www.pisd.edu/pace>