Dear Parents and Students,

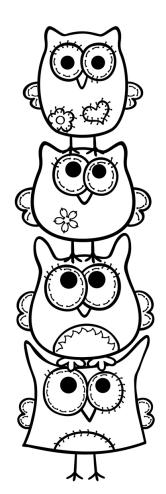
Welcome to a new year in the AIG program! This brochure will give you a quick overview of how the AIG program will look this year. My contact information can be found on the back. Please feel free to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns you have. I am looking forward to working with you and your child during their time at WSES!

Sincerely, Sharon Johnson For more information:

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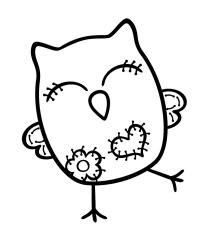
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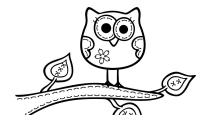


# Welcome to AIG at WSES

Fall 2017

Information about the
Academically and/or Intellectually
Gifted program at Willow Springs
Elementary for 4th graders and their
parents





### Will students have homework?

I normally do not assign homework but there occasionally may be assignments that might need a little extra time outside of class.

### Will students get grades?

Although there is not an official AIG report card, I will be sending home an AIG Progress Report each quarter to keep you informed of the different tasks we are working on as well as your child's effort and behavior in class.

#### What will we do?

One of my goals for our AIG program is to provide a space where students have the opportunity to think a little differently and perhaps a little deeper than they normally do each day. The activities we do in AIG parallel what they have studied or are currently studying in their regular classrooms, but just take it a little further and a little deeper.

### **Our Schedule**

Students will come to my classroom based on their area of identification on the following days/times:

### **MATH**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 12:30-1:00

### ELA

Monday through Friday 9:20-10:05 - Tracks 1 & 2 11:40-12:25 - Tracks 3 & 4

## Will students need to test each year to remain in AIG?

Once students have been identified, they remain identified throughout their time in WCPSS. If a student is only identified in one area, they can be considered in 4th or 5th grade to be identified in the other area based on things such as EOG scores and classroom performance.

What will students "miss" in their regular classrooms when they are at AIG?

- Math Students: Our pullout times for math are planned so that students will not miss direct instruction from their classroom teachers.
- ELA Students: In 4th grade students identified in ELA will be with me five days a week and are pulled during a portion of the reading block in their classrooms. This allows me to provide them with AIG challenges as well as give them reading instruction at a more accelerated level more consistently than they might receive in the classroom. I will provide classroom teachers with grades from the work they do in my class which will be included as part of their interim and report card grades.