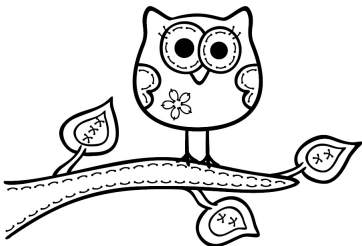


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Dear Parents and Students,

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



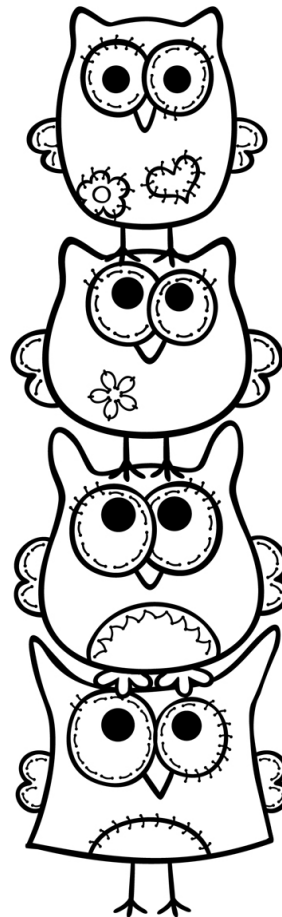
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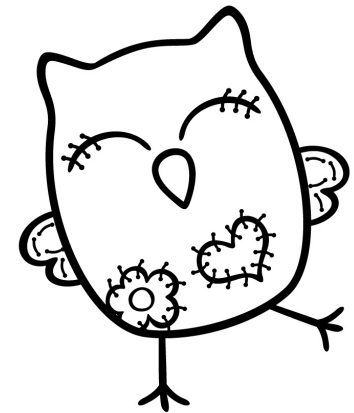


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# Welcome to AIG at WSES

Fall 2017

Information about the  
Academically and/or Intellectually  
Gifted program at Willow Springs  
Elementary for 5th graders and their  
parents



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### 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.

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## Our Schedule

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

### ELA

Monday, Tuesday  
10:20-11:05

### MATH

Wednesday, Thursday  
10:20-11:05

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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?

Pullout times for math are planned so that students will not miss direct instruction from their classroom teachers.

Why such a drastic schedule change for the ELA students?

As 4th graders, ELA students came to AIG five days a week. The "extra" three days allowed for me to provide them direct reading instruction since they were pulled during their classrooms' reading blocks. In 5th grade the teachers will provide their direct reading instruction and their time with me will be spent doing enrichment/extension activities that will build upon what they are doing in the classroom.