



Fall 2016

Dear 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Parents,

The Wake County AIG Program supports a unique nurturing component, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Explorers. The AIG teacher works in partnership with third grade teachers to plan a variety of experiences designed to elicit high academic performance. Several times during the year, the AIG teacher works in the classroom with all 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. The AIG and the classroom teachers assess student performance during these experiences.

Students who demonstrate high performance participate in small group enrichment activities. Some students may participate in one or more small group experiences, while other students may not demonstrate a need for this enrichment. Participation in a small group experience does not mean that the student has been, or will be, identified for future AIG services.

Evidence from 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Explorers may be considered with the informal indicators including student learning behaviors, student performance, student interest, and student motivation. Formal indicators, such as aptitude and achievement scores from norm-referenced tests, are also considered for possible AIG nomination. Students identified in the Fall of their third grade year will be served in the Spring.

If you would like more information about the Explorers program please see below for the dates of our information sessions. The same information will be presented at both meetings. Students and their siblings are welcome to come along with you. I will have a space where they can read, color, work, or sit quietly.

Sincerely,  
Sharon S. Johnson  
AIG Teacher

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**You are invited to attend an Informational session about the  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Explorers Program**

**WHO:** All 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parents

**WHERE:** Room 405 –beside the computer lab

**WHEN:** September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:20 A.M.

OR

September 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:20 A.M.

*\*the same information will be presented at both sessions*