Glossary of Commonly Used Terms at BISD

Push in	Students are served in their classroom by the case manager or classroom teacher.
Pull out	Students leave their homeroom for another class to receive additional extensions and project based learning.
ELA	English Language Arts: reading, grammar, and writing content.
HC	Students that are identified as highly capable.
Designation	At fourth grade, students are given a highly capable designation of either or both, English Language Arts and/or Mathematics.
Cluster	Highly capable students are grouped into classrooms across grade levels.
CogAT	Cognitive Abilities Test is an assessment used as a tool to help identify students for HC services.
PBL	Project Based Learning is when students cover many academic areas by collaborating with peers in an engaging topic, creating a product, and/or presenting it to an audience.
Co-Teaching	Teachers share the responsibilities of planning, instructing, and assessing students.
Beast Academy	A rigorous math curriculum used to challenge students in grades 2-4.
Enrichment	The opportunity for students to apply their knowledge or understanding at a more complex level to deepen understanding.
Acceleration	Student progresses at faster rate than typical peers in a subject area.
Differentiation	Lessons designed to meet the needs of all students through flexible grouping, tiered assignments, choice assignments, questioning strategies, manipulatives and more.
Identification	Student are identified as highly capable, they are given a designation at 4th grade that indicates their area of identification English Language Arts or Math.