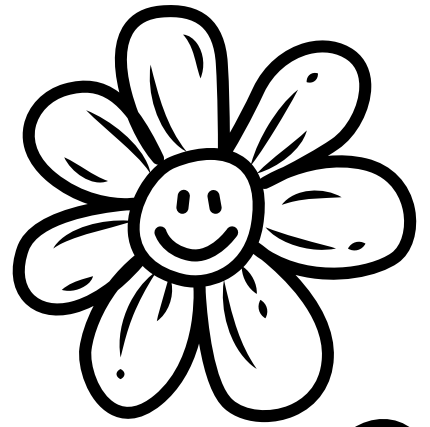




WHAT IS THE GOAL OF CREATE?



The **CREATE** classroom develops both creative and critical thinking skills that are needed in today's college and career ready workforce. Students will be engaged in STEM activities that instill and promote work ethics and leadership skills. These learning activities provide experiences which are centered in the

- development of thought processes with exercises in the MDE Gifted Program Outcomes: Thinking Skills, Creativity, Group
- Dynamics, Communication, Research, and Self Directed Learning. Also included are Social Emotional Development,
- Visual and Performing Arts, and Career and situational awareness.

- **Students will attend classes one day per week for the whole day.** The CREATE program will recognize and nurture exemplary abilities so that Intellectually Gifted learners are provided an appropriately challenging education. This education will enable the students to realize their fullest potential and to become contributing, competitive citizens of the world.

Intellectual giftedness is an intellectual ability significantly higher than average. It is different from a skill, in that skills are learned or acquired behaviors. Like a talent, intellectual giftedness is usually believed to be an innate, personal aptitude for intellectual thinking activities that cannot be acquired through personal effort. Various ideas about the definition, development, and best ways of identifying intellectual giftedness have been put forward.

Intellectual giftedness may be general or specific. For example, an intellectually gifted person may have a striking talent for mathematics, but not have equally strong language skills. When combined with an adequately challenging curriculum and the diligence necessary to acquire and execute many learned skills, intellectual giftedness often produces academic success. There is also artistic or creative giftedness, which may or may not be combined with intellectual giftedness.

