

## Gifted and Talented Trip Policy

**Each student who is eligible and *has completed testing and has qualified by October 1<sup>st</sup> on the OSDE Gifted and Talented report each school year is eligible to attend in state trip (s) that are provided or scheduled for Gifted students.***

- Student must meet all school eligibility requirements and be in good standing academically, in attendance, and discipline to be eligible at the date of the trip booking and day of the trip.
- In-state educational trips may be scheduled to provide additional learning opportunities throughout the school year and all GT students are expected to participate as part of their GT program.
- The approved Gifted and Talented Committee will annually make recommendations for a potential Sr GT trip and policy revisions to the Gore Board of Education. The LEA board must approve any out of state or overnight trip and any fundraising activities before fundraising can be sponsored by Gore Schools

Seniors may be afforded an out-of-state, overnight trip at the discretion of the LEA board. Seniors must have attempted to qualify for GT previously by testing policy before their senior year to be eligible for out of state or overnight senior GT Trips.

Only students new to the district and enrolled after October 1 of their junior year may test as a senior for Sr. GT Trip eligibility.

Students are responsible for all expenses associated with out-of-state or overnight trips. Students will be offered opportunities to contribute to their account through service during their jr and sr. years, if qualified.

The following requirements are for Senior only:

The Sr. GT trip is a reward for students that have been an active participant in the district's GT program for more than one year and must be approved and approved by the GPS BOE.

1. Each Sr. student will have a file established by the GT coordinator upon qualification. All GT documents will be kept in this folder until graduation.  
The original Standard IQ test qualification, graded, answer sheets: with signatures, will be kept in the students permanent educational folder.
2. Each qualified student will be responsible for working or providing in kind contributions totaling a minimum of five (5) hours during their junior and senior years by fundraising or paying for hours/sales not worked after qualification to be eligible for a senior out of state trip.
3. Students will receive a credit of \$20.00 dollars per each hour of service toward their trip.  
OR  
A student may pay to their account \$200.00 in lieu of worked hours.  
(This can be prorated at the \$20.00 per hour rate of credit.)  
OR  
Student can work 10 hours total before the trip for in kind service.
4. Students who sell items will receive a credit of the amount equal to the net profit of their individual sales that will go toward their account totals.

5. Students shall be responsible for any remaining balance of funds for the trip for hours not worked, sales, or direct payment to their individual accounts.
6. Students and parents will be required to sign a contract with the district before travel may be booked. This contract will be agreed to before any district funds are expended for an individual student's expenses such as booking flights, hotel, tickets, or reservations.

The agreement shall state:

- Once the commitment to attend the trip is made by signature and district funds have been expended on the student's behalf, the student and the student's parents are responsible for reimbursement to the district if for any reason, the student does not attend the trip including loss of eligibility/discipline.
  - An initial deposit of \$200.00 dollars will be required by each student before travel is booked.
  - This deposit will be applied to the student's account for a GT out of state trip. Refunds are available up until the time of travel booking or if the trip is cancelled by GPS. Any funds over the \$200.00 deposit that are required for booking shall be reimbursed by the student/parent to the district if the student does not attend the trip.
7. Parents who wish to attend any GPS trip shall not be considered as any part of GPS and must book their itinerary outside of GPS.
  - \*\*8. Seniors that have attended GPS during the 11th grade but did not attempt to qualify for GT including completing a parental permission form to be tested, failed to request testing, have declined the

opportunity to be a part of GT, or have been removed from a GT program for conduct/eligibility may not be eligible to attend a senior GT Trip. They may be tested for placement before September 30<sup>th</sup> during a senior year and if qualified, be eligible for placement and in state trips only.

9. A newly enrolled student that is a senior may test and qualify for all trips if placement requirements are met.
10. Student who enroll in GPS and were placed in a GT program in an accredited public or private school are automatically eligible to qualify for GPS' GT program. The student shall take the IQ test at any time after enrollment. All GPS policy requirements will be followed for qualifications. A qualifying IQ test score in the 97 percentile or a score in the 87<sup>th</sup> percentile and the Matrix qualifying score are required for GPS placement.

Students that score in the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile on the district IQ test may request a retest up to three times before September 30 annually.

Testing after October 1:

Student will be tested after October , unless they can show a hardship that prevented them from testing during August and September when testing was offered.

Any qualifying student will not be eligible for out of state or overnight trips if not qualified by October 1 annually but may be placed in the GT program.