

ATTENTION PARENTS: A Must Read for Parents 6th Graders who are Advanced!



ASD Advanced Learning Lab (A. L. L.) Testing Saturdays – January 9th to January 30th 2016

The Alpine School District (ASD) Gifted Services department will be conducting 8 sessions of testing for placements in the district A. L. L. classrooms for the 2016-2017 school year. Any interested 6th grader in ASD is invited to attend a testing session to qualify for a placement in an Advanced Learning Lab (A. L. L.). At the middle school/junior high level, advanced courses are offered in English and History at all district locations, and Science at American Fork, Frontier, Lehi, Mountain Ridge, Timberline and Willowcreek. The Advanced Learning Lab (A.L.L.) Secondary program is offered to 7th & 8th graders. Students test in January of their 6th grade year for a two-year placement. Math placement is handled by individual schools and not through the gifted services department.

Testing for Secondary Advanced Learning Lab (A. L. L.) programs will be done on Saturdays, January 9th to January 30th. The online registration is now open and will close the Tuesday prior to each testing session. There will be a \$20.00 fee for the testing. Students on free or reduced lunch status will register on-line with a reduced cost. Registering within three days of testing is considered a late registration and will incur an additional \$5.00 fee. Late registrants will be admitted upon availability. There are no refunds.

Go to www.curriculum.alpineschools.org/gifted-services and register on the homepage through Xpress Bill Pay. Contact Gifted Services at 801-610-8475 or staylor@alpinedistrict.org with questions.

The following will be the testing dates, locations and times:

January 9, 2016: (North)

- 6th and 7th graders (Sec –A. L. L.) -**Mt. Ridge Junior High**, 5525 W 10400 N, Highland, UT, (7:30 to 11:30 and 12:30 to 4:30)

January 16, 2016: (East)

- 6th and 7th graders (Sec –A. L. L.) - **Canyon View Junior High**, 655 E 950 N, Orem, UT (7:30 to 11:30 and 12:30 to 4:30)

January 23, 2016: (South)

- 6th and 7th graders (Sec –A. L. L.) **Orem Junior High**, 765 N 600 W, Orem, UT (7:30 to 11:30 and 12:30 to 4:30)

January 30, 2016: (West)

- 6th and 7th graders (Sec –A. L. L.) - **Vista Heights Middle School**, 484 W Pony Express Pkwy, Saratoga Springs, UT (7:30 to 11:30 and 12:30 to 4:30)

POSSIBLE INDICATORS TO CONSIDER PRIOR TO HAVING A STUDENT TESTED:

- The student's Utah State SAGE test scores are a 4 in Language Arts and Science.
- The student is reading at two or more grade levels above current grade.
- The current classroom teacher has suggested during a Parent/ Teacher Conference that the student could benefit from a more complex or in-depth curriculum as offered in a gifted program.
- The student learns quickly, recalls information effortlessly, is curious, self-motivated, works independently and typically remains committed to a task until its completion.
- The student exhibits satisfactory to outstanding citizenship in both attitude and behavior.
- The student has good school attendance and is committed to the program for two years.
- The student completes homework in a timely manner, has task commitment for long-term projects.
- The student initiates his/her own learning through questioning and research.

Testing time includes the check-in process. Testers may bring a bottle of water, a simple snack and book. All other testing materials will be provided. If your child has testing accommodations through an IEP or 504 please contact Gifted Services (staylor@alpinedistrict.org) prior to the testing date to arrange for necessary accommodations.