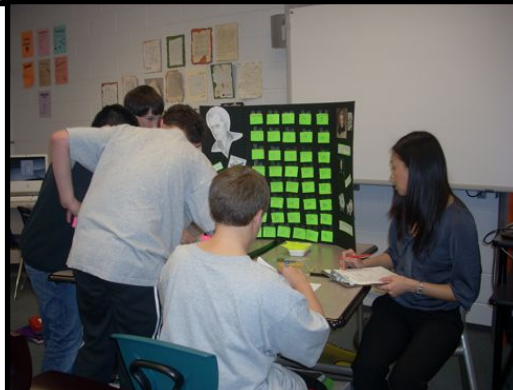


# APTAKISIC-TRIPP SCHOOL DISTRICT 102 Differentiated Learning Experiences for Gifted and Talented Students



TOP LEFT: CO-PLANNING BETWEEN A CLASSROOM TEACHER AND GIFTED SPECIALIST AT PRITCHETT

LEFT: TALENTED APTAKISIC JUNIOR HIGH ACTORS AND ACTRESSES IN THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE

TOP RIGHT: REBECCA CAUDILL CLUB MEMBERS AT MMS

RIGHT: MMS STUDENTS IN A SEEK (STUDENTS EXPLORE AND EXPAND KNOWLEDGE) READING PULL OUT GROUP

LOWER RIGHT: JACKSONIAN ERA DIFFERENTIATED PRODUCTS IN 7TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES

# Program Models



THE TRIPP TIGER BOOK CLUB AND GIFTED SPECIALIST READ THE BLUE STEM NOMINEES!



ABOVE LEFT: WEEKLY CHALLENGE LUNCH-BUNCH



TOP RIGHT: A REBECCA CAUDILL CHALLENGE MMS TEAM



LOWER RIGHT: REBECCA CAUDILL PARENT/CHILD BOOK CLUB

## Pritchett/Tripp Elementary Schools (K-4)

PES and TES meet the needs of their students through a variety of enrichment opportunities and differentiation of instruction in classrooms to capitalize on the skills of all learners. Enrichment opportunities are built into the schedule and may include:

Flexible groupings in Language Arts where small groups of identified strong readers/writers are offered differentiated opportunities through process, product, and/or content

Flexible grouping during Math units where students are grouped on the basis of achievement and interest in the classroom

Expanded Humanities classes in Library, Art, Music, and Technology

Collaborative teaching models where direct instruction is provided by the regular classroom teacher and/or co-planned with a gifted education specialist

Book Clubs which are independent reading challenges that culminate in noncompetitive question/answer meets

Other Enrichment Activities:  
After School Programs

## Meridian Middle School (5-6)

MMS meets the needs of its students through a variety of enrichment opportunities and differentiation of instruction in classrooms to capitalize on the skills of all learners. Enrichment opportunities are built into the schedule and may include:

Flexible groupings and collaborative teaching models in Language Arts where the classroom teacher and gifted education specialist provide differentiated opportunities through process, product, and/or content for small groups of identified strong readers/writer

Advanced content classes in Math where students are grouped on the basis of achievement and interest.

Opportunities to take the SAT through the Lake County Regional Office of Education

Expanded Humanities classes in Public Speaking, Art, Music, Technology, Orchestra, Chorus, and Band

Other Enrichment Activities include:

Rebecca Caudill Club  
Parent/Child Book Club  
Spelling Bee  
Student Council

Weekly Challenges  
Talent Show  
ICTM Math Contest  
Newspaper Club

Broadcasting Club  
SAT/Talent Search  
After School Programs  
Intramural Sports

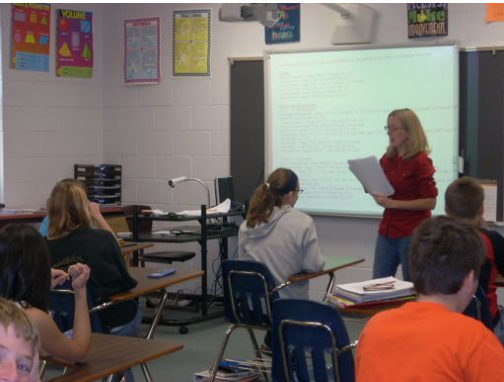


LEFT: AN AJHS LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER SHARES STRATEGIES WITH OTHER D102 TEACHERS AFTER ATTENDING THE (IAGC) ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION GIFTED CONFERENCE !



STUDENTS PREPARE POSTERS DURING THE REBECCA CAUDILL READING BOOK CLUB!

## Aptakasic Junior High (7-8)



LEFT: OUR AJHS MATH STUDENTS EXPERIENCE DIFFERENTIATED LESSONS.



TOP RIGHT: ORCHESTRA STUDENTS PREPARE FOR ILLINOIS GRADE SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOCIATION (IGSMA) SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST!

LOWER RIGHT: SCIENCE FAIR PRESENTATIONS FOR REGIONAL, SECTIONAL, AND STATE COMPETITIONS!



AJHS meets the needs of its students through a variety of enrichment opportunities and differentiation of instruction in classrooms to capitalize on the skills of all learners. Offerings include:

Cluster grouping in Language Arts where small groups of identified strong readers/writers are placed as a group within the regular classroom. Students are offered differentiated opportunities through process, product, and/or content

Advanced content classes in Math where students are grouped on the basis of achievement and interest

Expanded Humanities classes in Drama/Debate, Art, Music, Orchestra, Chorus, and Band

Introductory and Accelerated World Language classes in Spanish

Enrichment activities:

Rebecca Caudill Reading Club  
Scholastic Bowl  
Science Fair  
Math Counts  
Spelling Bee  
National Junior Honor Society  
Student Leadership Council  
Aptakasic Business Club  
Newspaper Club  
Science Olympiad  
Broadcasting Club  
AJHS School Play

Cross Country  
Cheerleading  
Coed Soccer  
Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
Wrestling  
Pom Pon  
Girls Volleyball  
Boys Volleyball  
Track and Field  
Ballroom Dancing  
PALS

## APTAKISIC-TRIPP SCHOOL DISTRICT 102

# Eligibility & Resources

### APTAKISIC-TRIPP

is committed to the belief that education is a means by which each individual has the opportunity to reach his/her fullest potential. We believe that all students have a right to educational experiences that challenge their individual development whether it is below, at, or beyond the level of their age peers. In accordance with this philosophy, District 102 schools provide educational experiences that recognize and make provisions for the special needs of gifted and talented learners.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Bright, talented, motivated students entering grades K-8 are eligible for support within our classrooms through the SEEK teachers and/or general education teachers.

#### LANGUAGE ARTS

Grades K-8:

Teacher Recommendation

Measures of Academic Progress nationally normed scores

#### MATH

Students in Grades 2-5 are pretested for select Math units and clustered by achievement

Beginning in Grade 5, students take the District 125 Consortium assessment in Math and are placed into the appropriate levels for Grades 6-8.

When Gifted Kids Don't Have All the Answers: How to Meet Their Social and Emotional Needs - James Delisle

The Social and Emotional Development of Gifted Children: What Do We Know? - Maureen Neihart

The Gifted Kids Survival Guide for Ages 10 and Under - Judy Galbraith

Guiding the Gifted Child: A Practical Source for Parents and Teachers - James T. Webb

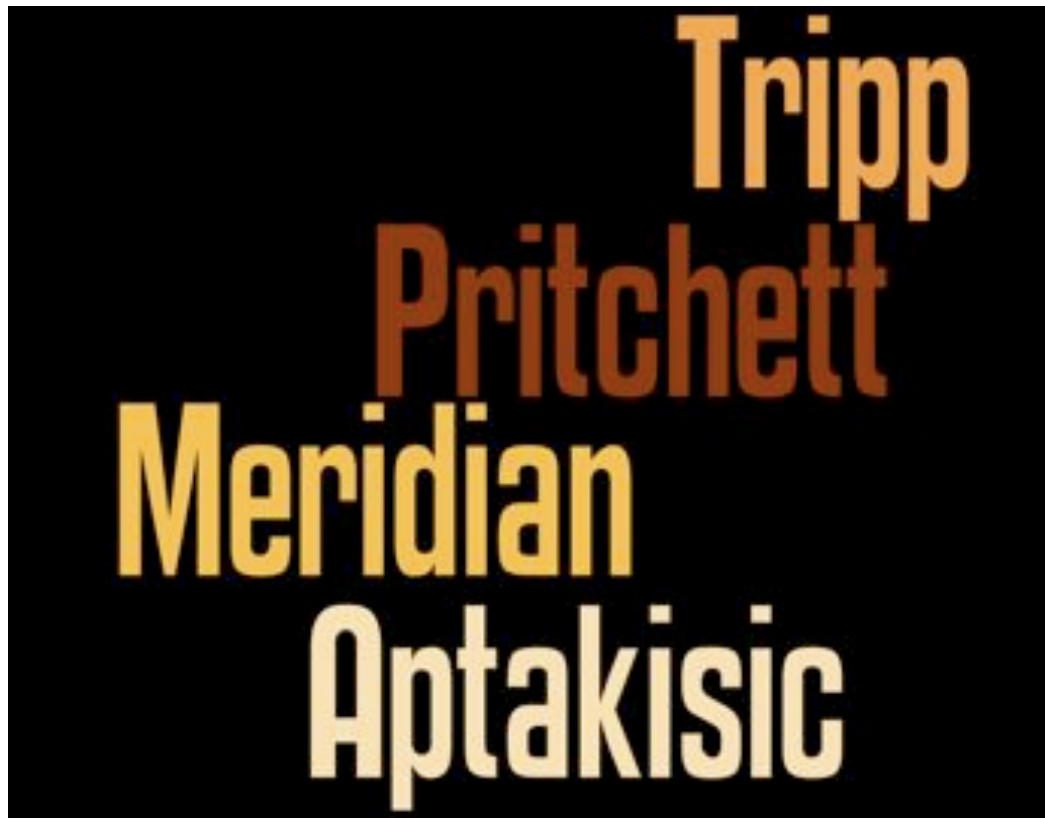
Parenting Gifted Kids: Tips for Raising Happy and Successful Children - James Delisle

Uniquely Gifted: Identifying and Meeting the Needs of the Twice Exceptional Student - Kay Kiesa

Once Upon a Mind: Stories and Scholars of Gifted Child Education - James Delisle

Helping Gifted Kids Soar: A Practical Guide for Parents and Teachers - Carol Ann Strip

Survival Guide for Parents of Gifted Children - Sally Yahnke, Ph.D.



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