



Centre Ridge AAP/Enrichment Update

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Important Dates to Remember:

January 9, 2020

AAP Level IV Screening Referrals (grades 2-6) due to Centre Ridge no later than 4:00pm on January 9th
Turn in to the front office at CRES to Valerie Carter, AART

Referral form and all parent instructions and information can be found at www.fcps.edu/academics/academic-overview/advanced-academic-programs



Level IV Advanced Academics at Centre Ridge

What are Local Level IV Services?

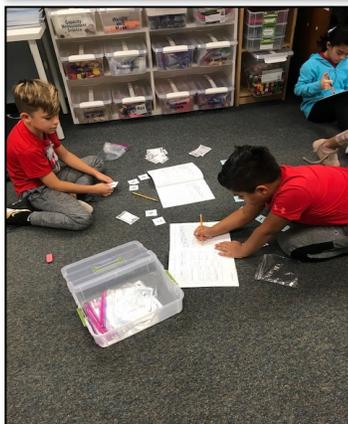
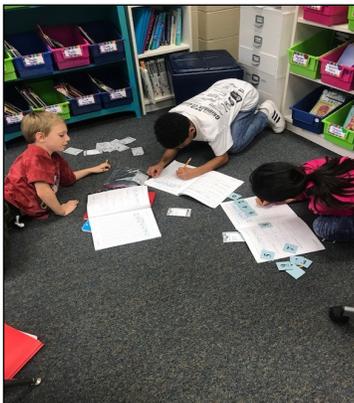
At Centre Ridge, we have a Local Level IV (full-time) Advanced Academic Program in grades 3-6. Local Level IV Services provide an important option for advanced learners who need the challenge of a full-time AAP center curriculum and do not want to leave their local school. This program has increased depth, complexity, and pace in all academic content areas.

How does Local Level IV differ from the Full-time AAP Center?

The teachers in both settings are trained in gifted education and teach the same advanced academic curriculum to students who are ready for a highly challenging instructional program in the four core subject areas. The main difference is in the make-up of the class. All of the students in a full-time AAP center-based class have been identified as center-eligible by a central selection committee and will be coming from several neighborhood schools to comprise the center class. In a Local Level IV classroom, the students are a mix of students who are center-eligible and high achieving students who are capable of working at advanced levels, all enrolled in their local school.

Check out the exciting learning experiences in our Local Level IV classes at Centre Ridge!

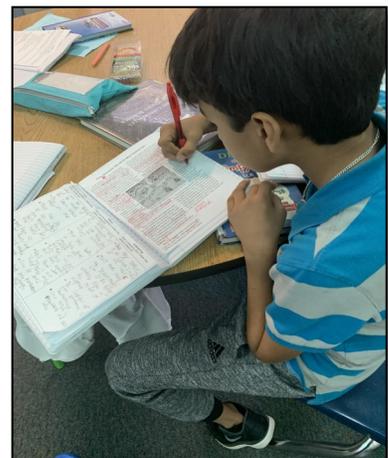
All of our students in our Local Level IV program are participating in fabulous learning experiences each day using curriculum designed for advanced learners. In all four of our Level IV classes, students are focusing on critical and creative thinking as they participate in Socratic Seminars, Caesar's English (Latin Stems), DBQs (Document Based Questions), and Project M3 for math. Our Level IV teachers also focus on concept-based instruction. Concept-based instruction is organized around key concepts and generalizations (such as change or systems) that are applied to multiple content areas. This type of instruction provides a way for students to genuinely understand topics and teaches students to think critically!



Students in Ms. Buckland's 3rd Grade Level IV class had fun playing "Make It, Say It" while working with their M3 math unit "How Big Is Big?"



Ms. Roukas' fourth graders participated in a Socratic Seminar.



A fourth grade Level IV student is deeply engaged in a DBQ (Document Based Question), "Why Did So Many Jamestown Colonists Die?"