

## Kansas

In Kansas, [Gifted Education](#) is a part of Special Education and follows Special Education processes and procedures. A student must be found eligible to participate in the program. "Gifted" as defined in K.A.R. 91-40-1(cc) means performing or demonstrating the potential for performing at significantly higher levels of accomplishment in one or more academic fields due to intellectual ability when compared to others of similar age, experience and environment. Once a student is identified as having the characteristics of giftedness and displays needs that can't be met in the regular education classroom, an Individualized Education Program (IEP) is written. The IEP guides the instruction for the student within the gifted education and general education programs.

### Kansas | Select School District Resources

- Blue Valley
  - [Blue Valley Gifted Education](#)
  - [Parent Advocates for Gifted Education](#)
- Shawnee Mission
  - [Shawnee Mission Gifted Education](#)
- Olathe
  - [Exceptional Owls – Olathe West](#)
  - [Gifted Education \(QUEST\) – Olathe Northwest](#)
- Kansas City
  - [Quest Gifted Education](#)
- Leavenworth
  - [Gifted Education](#)
- Basehor-Linwood
  - [Gifted Program](#)

## Missouri

By law and tradition, Missouri school districts are expected to provide programs of instruction suitable for the full range of student ability, from handicapped and disadvantaged learners through those who are academically advanced. Section 162.675. RSMo defines gifted children as “those children who exhibit precocious development of mental capacity and learning potential as determined by competent professional evaluation to the extent that continued educational growth and stimulation could best be served by an academic environment beyond that offered through a standard grade level curriculum.”

A learner who: exhibits precocious capacity and learning potential; is identified by competent professionals; and needs an academic environment beyond standard grade level curriculum. State statutes provide the guidelines for gifted programs and the State Board of Education determines the standards for these gifted programs. All districts with gifted programs must follow the rules and regulations set forth in the [State Approved Gifted Education Program Guidelines](#).

### Missouri | Select School District Resources

- North Kansas City

- [Students in Academically Gifted Education \(SAGE\)](#)
- Lee's Summit R-VII
  - [Lee's Summit K-6 Gifted Programs](#)
  - [Lee's Summit 7-12 Gifted Programs](#)
- Kansas City 33
  - [Pylons Advanced Academics and Gifted Program](#)
- Independence 30
  - [IMPACT Gifted Program](#)
- Liberty 53
  - [PEAK Program](#)
- Park Hill
  - [Park Hill Gifted Education](#)
- Raytown C-2
  - [Challenge Program](#)
- Raymore-Peculiar R-II
  - [LEAP Gifted Program](#)
- Hickman Mills C-1
  - [CODE Program](#)
  - Also participates in Center 58's PEGS program
- Grandview C-4
  - [Grandview Gifted Education](#)
  - [FOCUS Program](#)
  - Also participates in Center 58's PEGS program
- Center 58
  - [Program for Exceptionally Gifted Students \(PEGS\)](#)