



# Gifted and Talented



POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Tavelli Elementary School



At Tavelli Elementary, our gifted and talented students thrive. Our program offers opportunities for differentiated instruction that fosters critical thinking skills. Tavelli teachers utilize a STEAM focus where students learn about Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics through interdisciplinary units of study. Classroom teachers, instructional paraprofessionals and the GT coordinator work together to meet the needs of GT students through differentiation in the regular classroom, advanced classes and enrichment opportunities.



**35**

Average GT students

**560**

Total student enrollment

[sites.google.com/psdschools.org/tavelligt/home](https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/tavelligt/home)



### Programming Opportunities for Gifted Learners

Programming opportunities vary from year to year and are specific to the student interests and Advanced Learning Plan goals. Students receive accelerated curricular options as part of the IE enrichment classes in reading and math.



### Gifted and Talented site coordinator:

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### Overview of the GT program at this school



#### Tavelli's GT Program:

- Tavelli's Gifted and Talented program believes in the importance of building the academic and social/emotional needs of all students through a variety of enrichment experiences in and out of the classroom.
- Provides advanced learning experiences with appropriately higher learning standards.
- Provides social and emotional guidance.
- Acknowledges strengths and interests and helps the student build on them in an interdisciplinary approach.

### Advanced Learning Plan process at this school



The ALP is written collaboratively between the GT teacher and the student. This ALP is then sent home for further conversation and updates with parents. Each identified student will have a goal that addresses both their area of identification, as well as social/emotional (affective) needs. When appropriate, goals can be combined to better serve the students.

### Programming opportunities for GT students



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### Enrichment opportunities for GT students during school



Opportunities vary from year to year but included activities such as:

- Regularly scheduled small group GT meetings
- Daily enrichment classes for reading
- Daily enrichment classes for math
- Math Olympiad
- Field Trips
- 3D printing lab
- Maker's Space
- Music class
- Art studio
- Science and Engineering Lab
- Computer Lab
- Physical Education

### Enrichment opportunities for GT students before or after school



Opportunities vary from year to year but included activities such as:

- Chess Club
- Dream Team
- Battle of the Books
- Running club
- Technology Club
- MAC Bus
- Odyssey of the Mind
- Little Kids Rock guitar club
- Musical theater
- Science Fair
- Invention Convention

### Affective programming for GT students



The Gifted and Talented Program at Tavelli Elementary School recognizes the GT student's affective characteristics and provides individual support through the school counselor, school psychologist, the GT teacher, and grade level teachers. The GT Program provides opportunities

## Site-Based Gifted and Talented Services Overview

for students to discuss struggles and achievements in a safe environment with a trusted adult and/or other GT students with similar needs.

### Grade-specific GT services



Students in grades three through five receive support in pull-out enrichment groups.  
Students in kindergarten through fifth grade also receive support through in-class differentiation.