



## The Governor's Program for Gifted Children

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Dear Prospective Student and Parents:

Thank you for your inquiry about the Governor's Program for Gifted Children (GPGC). The GPGC will celebrate its 54<sup>th</sup> summer session beginning Sunday, June 3, 2012. The session will end on Saturday, July 21, after the final performances.

The cost of the **seven-week program** is \$2550 (\$3550 out-of-state fee) and covers the following: tuition, room/board including weekends, refundable \$80.00 damage/key deposit, student allowance, and two uniform shirts.

**Substantial financial aid is available.** An application is included in the enclosed packet.

The GPGC will accept applications until all spaces are filled. **Please include with your application the required \$20.00 application fee (check or money order made payable to GPGC).** Only those applicants who meet the criteria described below will be considered for admission:

- 1) Applicants for admission to the Junior Division must be in the sixth, seventh, or eighth grade this school term, 2011-2011.
- 2) If applicant is already classified as gifted by a Louisiana public school system, please submit a copy of the student's Pupil Appraisal form instead of the Report of Psychological Examination.
- 3) If applicant is not already classified as gifted by a Louisiana public school system, he or she must be tested and submit scores for one of two acceptable aptitude tests. The preferred test is the Wechsler Scale for Children (WISC-IV), but the KBIT is also acceptable.

A licensed psychologist, certified school psychologist, or qualified examiner under the supervision of a licensed psychologist must have administered the test. The examiner must report the results on the required report form enclosed with this application packet and mail, scan/email, or fax it to our office.

To be accepted to our program, the child must score in the 96<sup>th</sup> percentile or higher.

An applicant for admission to the Senior Division, in addition to the aptitude requirements stated above, must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Senior Division applicants must be currently enrolled in the 9th or 10th grade.
- 2) Senior Division applicants must have maintained at least a “B” grade point average for the last full school term, and continues to maintain it during the current school year.
- 3) Senior Division applicants must take the ACT and have the testing agent send scores to our office for evaluation **no later than April 30**. Please notify us if test results will arrive later.

Students who are outstanding in the performing arts are strongly encouraged to apply for admission to the Musically Gifted Division. Please contact our office for more information about our programs for the Musically Gifted, or visit our web site, [www.gpgc.org](http://www.gpgc.org).

If you or other interested persons have any questions about our Program, please email, write to us at our office, or call 1-800-291-7840 or 337-475-5446.

Very truly yours,

Joshua D. Brown, Director