

Advance Program Facts and Procedures to Share With Parents

The Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) is administered in October in the local schools for grades three through nine. Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) tests all third-grade students, but students are also selected to test by teacher recommendation or parent request.

Test scores are released each year during the second week in December and can be accessed in Infinite Campus (IC)/Parent Portal by December 14.

Multiple criteria are used when considering placement in the Advance Program:

- Grade Point Average (GPA)
- High Achievers Characteristics Checklist
- Standard Achievement Test (Measures of Academic Progress [MAP], Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress [K-PREP])

Placement Requirements

- Seven selection points from the multiple testing criteria areas listed above
- Students who do not meet these criteria have an opportunity to appeal.

After Placement in Advance Program

- Students are **expected** to maintain a 3.0 GPA.
- High school students are expected to earn at least 12 credits in Advance Program level or higher courses.

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