



## ***APAAS Application for Fall 2010***

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the **Alternative Program for Academically Accelerated Students (APAAS)** program, please complete the form below and return it to **IUSD, GATE Dept., 5050 Barranca Pkwy, Irvine, CA 92604** by **February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010**.

**Applications will not be accepted after February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010.**

Among the opportunities for qualified, high achieving students at the elementary school level is a **full-time** special day class made up entirely of gifted and high achieving students called APAAS. These classes are located at ***Brywood, Deerfield, Eastshore, Santiago Hills, Turtle Rock, and the year-round school, Westpark.***

APAAS offers an expanded curriculum with emphasis on higher level thinking skills and acceleration through pace and compacting of curriculum and instruction. The teachers possess specific competencies and experience in using teaching strategies appropriate for high achieving students. Students participating in APAAS have an ongoing opportunity to learn with other students of similar interests and ability levels and to work with advanced grade level materials. The classes are designed for students who are performing well above grade level. Please review the minimum criteria requirements in order to be considered for this program before completing the application form.

All students meeting the **minimum requirements** criteria will be screened for fall placement. Placement for 2010-11 will be confirmed by the end of May, 2010.

### **Minimum criteria for APAAS consideration includes:**

1. academic achievement where student has earned a B or higher in all academic subjects
2. CST standardized test scores from 2009 that fall in the proficient or advanced range in **both** English Language Arts and Math
3. student ability to achieve academic success with consistently high expectations in all subjects
4. student ability to handle a rigorous academic environment with an accelerated pace of instruction

**In addition to APAAS, each school provides cluster group instruction for GATE students in the regular classroom. For more information on IUSD's GATE program, please visit our web site at [http://www.iusd.org/parent\\_resources/gate/gate.htm](http://www.iusd.org/parent_resources/gate/gate.htm)**

**PLEASE NOTE: APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER FEBRUARY 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010**

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_ Current Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Please carefully read the directions before completing this section.**

Students placed in APAAS will attend the school closest to his/her neighborhood school if space is available. We will do our best to accommodate all students who need a more rigorous environment based on APAAS criteria. Due to population differences, some schools might have more qualified students than available space. If that should occur at the school closest to your neighborhood school, and your student has demonstrated a need for a more rigorous program, we will do our best to place your student at a school with space availability.

Complete the "School Preference" section using "1" to note your first choice, then continue to number the schools in order of preference. If your child is unable to attend a school, place an "X" in the box. An "X" will automatically delete this as a school choice for your child.

APAAS School	Preference of School Use "1" to note your first choice - continue to number schools in order of preference. If your child is <u>unable to attend</u> a school, place an "X" in the box.
Brywood	
Deerfield	
Eastshore	
Santiago Hills	
Turtle Rock	
Westpark (YEAR-ROUND)	

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For more information on IUSD's GATE and APAAS programs, please visit  
[www.iusd.org/parent\\_resources/gate/gate.htm](http://www.iusd.org/parent_resources/gate/gate.htm)