

**Ricardo Independent School District
Parent Checklist of Student Performance
For the RISD Gifted and Talented Program Grades K-8**

Student _____ School Ricardo Elementary or Ricardo MS Age _____

Grade Level _____ Student ID Number (For Office Use Only) _____

Overview: The state defines a “gifted and talented” student as a child or youth who performs at or shows the potential for performing at a remarkably high level of accomplishment when compared to others of the same age, experience, or environment. Students are not expected to demonstrate ability in all areas (academic, creative, leadership); however, an analysis of strengths is a criterion that can be a factor in determining if a student may benefit from the gifted and talented program.

DIRECTIONS: Circle the number for each item that best describes your child.

| | Seldom/Never | Occasionally | Frequently | Almost Always |
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| ACADEMIC | | | | |
| 1. Learns quickly and remembers information | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 2. Asks a lot of questions | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 3. Thinks a while before answering | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 4. Has many ideas and has a lot to say | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5. Is interested in many things | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 6. Learns faster than others and is sometimes bored | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7. Completes assignments/activities without being told | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 8. Stays interested in certain topics; spends a long time doing or watching something | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 9. Likes to figure out things by himself/herself | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 10. Developed reading skills at an early age | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| CREATIVITY | | | | |
| 11. Comes up with many ideas | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 12. Does not mind working alone | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 13. Is creative in work, ideas, solutions | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 14. Is very curious | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 15. Has a great imagination; has many unusual ideas | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 16. Often responds with unusual, clever, unique answers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 17. Does not mind being different/doing things in a different way | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| LEADERSHIP | | | | |
| 18. Likes to help others | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 19. Can make good choices | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 20. Is picked by other children as a leader | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 21. Is a self-starter; needs little encouragement/direction to begin a task | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 22. Communicates well with adults | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

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| Please Total the Numbers Circled | |
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Signature of the Parent/Guardian

Date

Please complete this form and return it to your child’s classroom teacher!