Dear Parent:

As you review your student’s assessment results, please be aware that his/her performance on KSA and/or MAP assessments may qualify him or her to participate in various talent search programs offered through universities around the country. As a service to parents, we have highlighted a few such programs. Please know that there is no obligation to participate, and no talent search program is recommended by or affiliated with the Blue Valley School District. Please be aware that the criteria used to determine eligibility for these programs is *not* aligned with Kansas or Blue Valley’s gifted education eligibility process.

If you are interested in your child participating in one of these programs, websites including registration and/or application process required by the university and qualifying scores are provided below. Any additional costs related to assessments or participation in summer programs are at parent expense.

**DUKE TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM (Duke University) – PSMS – 300369 - KK**

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| General Information | http://www.tip.duke.edu/node/238 and <http://www.tip.duke.edu/node/240>  |
| Eligibility Criteria | KSA Math – 96th Percentile OR KSA Reading – 95th Percentile MAP Math or Reading – 95th Percentile |
| Additional Testing | ACT or SAT |
| Eligibility Information | <http://www.tip.duke.edu/node/966>  |
| FAQ | <http://www.tip.duke.edu/node/984>  |
| To Register | <https://apply.tip.duke.edu/>  |
| Email Contact | <http://www.tip.duke.edu/node/27>  |
| Phone Contact | 919.668.9100 |

**BELIN-BLANK EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT TALENT SEARCH (The University of Iowa)**

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| General Information  | <http://www.education.uiowa.edu/belinblank/Students/BESTS/7-9.aspx>  |
| Eligibility Criteria | KSA Math or Reading – 95th Percentile OR MAP Math or Reading – 95th Percentile  |
| Additional Testing | ACT |
| Eligibility Information | http://www.education.uiowa.edu/belinblank/Students/BESTS/FAQ/special.aspx (question #1)  |
| FAQ | http://www.education.uiowa.edu/belinblank/Students/BESTS/FAQ/ |
| To Register | Click on the registration link on the page about the program for 7th Grade |
| Email Contact | belinblank@uiowa.edu |
| Phone Contact | 319.335.6148 |

**CENTER FOR TALENTED YOUTH (Johns Hopkins University)**

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| General Information  | http://cty.jhu.edu/talent/index.html |
| Eligibility Criteria | KSA Math or Reading – Exemplary OR MAP Math or Reading – 95th Percentile |
| Additional Testing | ACT or SAT |
| Eligibility Information | <http://cty.jhu.edu/talent/about/who.html>  |
| FAQ | <http://cty.jhu.edu/talent/ask.html>  |
| To Register | <http://cty.jhu.edu/talent/enroll/>  |
| Email Contact | ctyinfo@jhu.edu  |
| Phone Contact | 410.735.6220 |

**MIDWEST ACADEMIC TALENT SEARCH (Northwestern University)**

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| General Information  | <http://www.ctd.northwestern.edu/numats/>  |
| Eligibility Criteria | KSA Math or Reading – 95th Percentile OR MAP Math or Reading – 95th Percentile  |
| Additional Testing | ACT or SAT |
| Eligibility Information | <http://www.ctd.northwestern.edu/numats/program/eligibility/?tag=Parents>  |
| FAQ | <http://www.ctd.northwestern.edu/numats/program/faq/>  |
| To Register | <http://www.ctd.northwestern.edu/numats/register/>  |
| Email Contact | numats@ctd.northwestern.edu  |
| Phone Contact | 847.491.3782 extension 3 |

Please contact your guidance counselor if you have any questions regarding interpretation of your child’s scores.