

# **Dieringer School District Highly Capable Program**

**(North Tapps Middle School Seventh Grade Algebra)**

## **Dieringer School District's educational program description for highly capable students:**

This program description can be found in a school district publication, titled, "Mathematics Program Options". This brochure indicates how students are selected at the elementary school for advanced placement mathematics and also describes the curriculum associated with the program.

## **Nomination and identification procedures for highly capable students:**

Prior to May 15<sup>th</sup> of a student's sixth grade year, students are selected to be enrolled in the Highly Capable program. Students are first identified and screened using a variety of sources including 5<sup>th</sup> grade math WASL results, results from the Measure of Academic Progress assessment, teacher recommendation as a result of classroom based assessments and parent nomination. Those students that have met screening criteria are administered the Cognitive Ability Test (COGAT). Eligible students are then admitted to the Highly Capable program (seventh grade algebra) the following year at North Tapps Middle School.

## **Appeals process for admission to the Highly Capable program:**

Parents of students not selected to the Highly Capable program may request a meeting with the sixth grade math teacher, the Highly Capable teacher and the building principal. If eligibility is still not granted, the parent may request a final meeting with the superintendent.